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Thread: [Best way to name your programs?](#)

**JavaProphet** - June 23, 2015, 8:57 pm

So, I frequently run into the "what do I call it" problem.

I could just skip creativity and name everything "Jstuff", etc, but that's no fun.

In my current case, I'm writing a Java->Native compiler, and every name I think of is sounding cheesy.

**JavaProfit** - June 23, 2015, 9:54 pm

Step 1: If you prefix all of your products with a J, please consider changing that.

Step 2: Don't use hipster names that have nothing to do with the program's purpose.

**sdk** - June 23, 2015, 10:34 pm

I have the Same problem usually I will ask someone or end up using a really cheesy name. Also do take into consideration Systemic.

**+Haze** - June 24, 2015, 4:03 am

I sometimes have the same problem but with classes, I'm stumped on what to name it.

OP just give it a unique name, Python does it all the time, they create something and give it a name that has 0% link with the project, take for example, BeautifulSoup, who would of thought that was a HTML parser, also, Flask too. Who would of thought that was a framework too.

**Grin** - June 24, 2015, 12:50 pm

I was thinking NCompiler or is that too bland?

**Dan K** - June 24, 2015, 12:53 pm

(Jun 24, 2015 12:49 PM)s0c1al Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) > irrational hate

First of all, thanks for asking your friends to add negative rep to me, but an java->native compiler is near impossible, kthnx ;-)

It's not impossible (for other people to make).

**JavaProphet** - June 24, 2015, 1:07 pm

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**badvibes** - June 24, 2015, 1:21 pm

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**JavaProfit** - June 24, 2015, 1:28 pm

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It's almost like the name has something to do with the program

**WildeThing** - June 24, 2015, 1:46 pm

(Jun 24, 2015 01:21 PM)badvibes Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) native compiler

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Should be more like:

NO-mpiler

**nOrr** - June 24, 2015, 4:18 pm

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**WildeThing** - June 24, 2015, 5:54 pm

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I think "A procedural, shitty" would be a better statement to precede the function of the program.

**csrk** - June 26, 2015, 1:36 am

While working on it, a descriptive name is never wrong. You can always change it to something better later on.

**clark.dll** - June 27, 2015, 12:40 pm

I just keep things as specific/short as possible. You don't need to be creative to think of a name, so don't try too hard.

**matt** - June 27, 2015, 7:41 pm

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**JavaProfit** - June 27, 2015, 10:38 pm

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I agree, it's a "little" too over used, but I do agree that it should either be an abstract word, a foreign

word or a compound word with a suffix.

**MrOrang** - June 28, 2015, 5:28 am

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Example:

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Maybe you can do something like that in Java ? xD

**Snoweyes** - June 28, 2015, 5:46 am

What about Napiler? :)

Spoiler ([Click to View](#))

Native Compiler

**Kroos** - June 28, 2015, 11:03 am

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**JavaProfit** - June 28, 2015, 12:12 pm

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For Java: DrinkACupOf.java

**Kroos** - June 28, 2015, 12:21 pm

Or you can have something related to coffee.

Netbeans > Internet > Coffee Beans.

**matt** - June 28, 2015, 5:53 pm

(Jun 28, 2015 11:03 AM)Kroos Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You can just use: ".Jar of dirt programming"..jar of dirt.jar

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**WildeThing** - June 29, 2015, 6:07 am

(Jun 28, 2015 05:53 PM)Midnight Blue™ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) .jar of dirt.jar

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No, just use "dirt.jar" and it is automatically inferred that the jar contains dirt. Thus, it is a jar of dirt.

**BinaryBit** - June 30, 2015, 1:30 pm

My suggestions: Java-The-Hut, JSpear.

I personally like the name JSpear, but that's up to you to decide.

**WojeT** - *July 1, 2015, 4:32 am*

I always use the github nameing featurer, keep refreshing until I see one that looks good.