# Java Programming AP Edition U2C4 Decisions (Selections) 

CALENDAR YEAR (LEAP YEAR AND CHINESE ZODIAC) LEAPYEAR.JAVA ERIC Y. CHOU, PH.D. IEEE SENIOR MEMBER

## 

Which Years are Leap Years?
In the Gregorian calendar 3 criteria must be taken into account to identify leap years:

- The year is evenly divisible by 4 ;
- If the year can be evenly divided by 100 , it is NOT a leap year, unless;
- The year is also evenly divisible by 400 . Then it is a leap year.

The year 2000 was somewhat special as it was the first instance when the third criterion was used in most parts of the world since the transition from the Julian to the Gregorian Calendar.

## Background Information:

 (Chinese Zodiac)Jupiter goes around the sun every 11.87 years. (approximately 12 years.) Chinese call it Planet of Years. They use it to calculate for the Zodiac. Every 12 years is one rotation.

The year 1948 is year of Rat. The year 1950 is year of Tiger. The year 2015 is year of Sheep (sometimes also called goat/ram. Chinese believe they are in one category. )

If the year 2015 is 67 (2015-1948) years away from 1948 and $67 \% 12$ is 7,7 years away from rat year is year of Sheep.

So, you may use y = (x-1948) \% 12 to know that Year x is y years away from Rat year. Then, look up from the table.


Year of
the Rat


Year of
the Horse


Year of
the Ox




Year of the Dragon
Year of
the Dog


## Lab: Calendar Year (LeapYear.java)

Write a program to ask the calendar year between 1948 and now, to determine 2 things:
(1) Is it a leap year?
(2) What Chinese Zodiac Year it is?

Then, Print out a Calendar Year Report with these information.

## Expected Result:



