







Two types of variable are also permissible: fixed point (restricted to integral values) and floating point. Fixed point variables are distinguished by the fact that their first character is I, J, K, L, M, or N.

Fixed Point Variables.

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1 to 6 alphabetic or numeric characters	
(not special characters) of which the first is	M2
I, J, K, L, M, or N.	JOBNO

A fixed point variable can assume any integral value whose magnitude is less than 32768. However, see the section on Fixed Point Arithmetic in Chapter 7.

WARNING. The name of a variable must not be the same as the name of any function used in the program after the terminal F of the function name has been removed. Also, if a subscripted variable has 4 or more characters in its name, the last of these must not be an F. (For the meaning of "function" and "subscripted" see Chapter 3 and the last section of this chapter.)

