1. What is a fundamental difference between the if-then-else constructs in Java (or C) and ML?

2. True or false: The `val` declaration is used to create variables in ML.

3. True or false: Iteration is a characteristic of imperative programming.

4. Consider the Java expression `"a".equals("b")`. Write an equivalent expression in ML.

Please number your answers. Don't restate questions.

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