

Java Fundamentals 3-9: Abstraction Practice Activities

Lesson Objectives:

- Define abstraction and provide an example of when it is used
- Define Casting

Vocabulary:

Identify the vocabulary word for each definition below.

A technique used to command newly-created instances to perform different actions.
A technique used to tell java that a class is to be considered as another class

Try It/Solve It:

You are going to modify the Barrel class so that we can set the maximum time a barrel will stay afloat when we create a new instance of it.

- 1. In the **Barrel** class add a parameter to the constructor called maxtime, which is an integer. Update all calls to new Barrel() so that they say new Barrel(250).
- 2. Modify the Barrel constructor so that the maxtime class variable is set to the maxtime parameter.
- 3. Modify the line above so that we subtract a random number between 0-49 from the maxtime.
- 4. Add private class variables called score and lives to the BarrelWorld class. Set lives to 3 and score to 0.
- 5. Create a method called updateScore() in BarrelWorld that will add one to the score when called.
- 6. Use the showText() method to display the score at the bottom left in the updateScore() method.
- 7. Create a method called removeLife() in **BarrelWorld** that will remove a life.
- 8. Use the showText() method to display the number of lives at the bottom left in the removeLife() method.
- 9. In the removeLife() method do a test so that when the number of lives is zero then the game stops.
- 10. In the Plane class call the updateScore() and removeLife() in the relevant methods.