

# Tutorial: Teaching Week 3 **SELECTED SOLUTIONS**

## **Topics:**

- Abstract Classes & Polymorphism
- References to Objects & Understanding the Stack
- Garbage collection
- Interfaces
- Overloaded Constructors & constructor chaining
- `static` & `final`: methods and variables
- `null` references / Strings
- GUI

## Sources of some questions:

- ✓ “Introductory Java Programming” book
- ✓ “Head First Java” book
- ✓ Java tutorial from <http://docs.oracle.com>

# Abstract Classes

```
abstract class Card {  
    String recipient;  
    public abstract void greeting();  
}
```

Card.java

```
public class BirthdayCard extends Card {  
    int age;  
    public BirthdayCard(String r, int years) {  
        recipient = r;  
        age = years;  
    }  
    public void greeting() {  
        System.out.println("Dear " + recipient + ",\n");  
        System.out.println("Happy " + age + "th Birthday!\n\n");  
    }  
}
```

BirthdayCard.java

```
public class HolidayCard extends Card {  
    public HolidayCard(String r) { recipient = r; }  
    public void greeting() {  
        System.out.println("Dear " + recipient + ",\n");  
        System.out.println("Season's Greetings!\n\n");  
    }  
}
```

HolidayCard.java

```
public class ValentineCard extends Card {  
    int kisses;  
    public ValentineCard(String r, int k) {  
        recipient = r;  
        kisses = k;  
    }  
    public void greeting() {  
        System.out.println("Dear " + recipient + ",\n");  
        System.out.println("Love and Kisses,\n");  
        for (int j=0; j < kisses; j++) System.out.print("X");  
        System.out.println("\n\n");  
    }  
}
```

ValentineCard.java

```
public class CardTester1 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String me = args[0];  
  
        HolidayCard hol = new HolidayCard(me);  
        hol.greeting();  
  
        BirthdayCard bd = new BirthdayCard(me, 18);  
        bd.greeting();  
  
        ValentineCard val = new ValentineCard(me, 3);  
        val.greeting();  
    }  
}
```

CardTester1.java

> java CardTester1 George  
Dear George,

Season's Greetings!

Dear George,

Happy 18th Birthday!

Dear George,

Love and Kisses,

XXX



## What is the output?

# Polymorphism

```
public class CardTester2 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        // Invokes a HolidayCard greeting().  
        Card card = new HolidayCard("Amy");  
        card.greeting();  
  
        // Invokes a ValentineCard greeting().  
        card = new ValentineCard("Bob", 3);  
        card.greeting();  
  
        // Invokes a BirthdayCard greeting().  
        card = new BirthdayCard("Cindy", 17);  
        card.greeting();  
    }  
}
```

CardTester2.java

```
> java CardTester2  
Dear Amy,  
  
Season's Greetings!  
  
Dear Bob,  
  
Love and Kisses,  
  
XXX  
  
Dear Cindy,  
  
Happy 17th Birthday!
```



What is the output?

# References to Objects

```
public class CardTester3 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Card c;  
        ValentineCard v;  
        BirthdayCard b;  
        HolidayCard h;  
  
        c = new ValentineCard("Debby", 8); // OK  
        b = new ValentineCard("Elroy", 3); // Wrong  
        v = new ValentineCard("Fiona", 3); // OK  
        h = new BirthdayCard("Greg", 35); // Wrong  
    }  
}
```

CardTester3.java



Which statements are OK?

# Interfaces (1/3)

Consider an interface named **Colorable**, as follows:

```
public interface Colorable { public void howToColor(); }
```

- Create a class named **Square** that extends **GeometricObject** and implements **Colorable**.
- Implement **howToColor()** to display a message on how to colour the square.
- Create an additional class to test the creation of a **Square** and its method **howToColor()**.

```
public abstract class GeometricObject {  
    // some methods and instance variables  
  
    public abstract double findArea();  
    public abstract double findPerimeter();  
}
```

```
public class Square extends GeometricObject  
    implements Colorable {  
  
    private double side;  
    public Square(double side) { this.side = side; }  
    public void howToColor() { System.out.println("Colour all four sides."); }  
    public double findArea() { return (this.side * this.side); }  
    public double findPerimeter() { return (4 * this.side); }  
}
```

```
public class Test {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Square square = new Square(2);  
        square.howToColor();  
    }  
}
```

# Interfaces (2/3)

- Answer the following questions:
  - Identify what is wrong with the **interface** below.

```
public interface SomethingIsWrong {  
    void aMethod(int aValue) {  
        System.out.println("Hi Mom");  
    }  
}
```

- Can an interface be given the **private** access modifier?

## Answers:

- Interfaces **can not** have *method implementations*; they *can only have method declarations and constants*.
- **No** – if that was the case, then the interface could never be used.

# Interfaces (3/3)

■ Identify the statements below about **interfaces**, that are **TRUE**.

- a. Interfaces do not allow for multiple inheritance at design level.
- b. Interfaces can be extended by any number of other interfaces.
- c. Interfaces can extend any number of other interfaces.
- d. Members of an interface are never **static**.
- e. Methods of an interface can always be declared **static**.

Identify the field declarations that are **legal** in the body of an **interface**.

- a. `public static int answer = 10;`
- b. `int answer;`
- c. `final static int answer = 10;`
- d. `public int answer = 10;`
- e. `private final static int answer = 10;`

- **Legal** – (a), (c), and (d)
- Fields in interfaces declare named constants, and are always **public**, **static**, and **final**.
- None of these modifiers are mandatory in a constant declaration.
- All named constants must be explicitly initialised in the declaration.

- **True** – (b) and (c)
- (a) Interfaces do not have any implementations and only permit multiple interface inheritance.
- (b+c) An interface can extend any number of other interfaces and can be extended by any number of interfaces.
- (d+e) Fields in interfaces are always **static** and method prototypes in interfaces are never **static**.



# Constructors

- Identify the constructors in class **SonOfBoo** that are not legal.

```
public class Boo {  
    public Boo(int i) { }           → (1)  
    public Boo(String s) { }       → (2)  
    public Boo(String s, int i) { } → (3)  
}
```

```
class SonOfBoo extends Boo {  
    public SonOfBoo() { super("boo"); } → OK – calls (2)  
    public SonOfBoo(int i) { super("Fred"); } → OK – calls (2)  
    public SonOfBoo(String s) { super(42); } → OK – calls (1)  
    public SonOfBoo(String a, String b, String c) { super(a, b); }  
    public SonOfBoo(int i, int j) { super("man", j); }  
    public SonOfBoo(int i, int x, int y) { super(i, "star"); }  
}
```

Not OK      Not OK      OK – calls (3)



# Garbage Collection

- Identify the lines of code that, if added to the program at point **X** would cause exactly one more object to be eligible for the **Garbage Collector**.

```
copyGC = null;  
gc2 = null;  
newGC = gc3;  
gc1 = null;  
newGC = null;  
gc4 = null;  
gc3 = gc2;  
gc1 = gc4;  
gc3 = null;
```

Answer

```
public class GC {  
    public static GC doStuff() {  
        GC newGC = new GC();  
        doStuff2(newGC);  
        return newGC;  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        GC gc1;  
        GC gc2 = new GC();  
        GC gc3 = new GC();  
        GC gc4 = gc3;  
        gc1 = doStuff();  
        X  
        // call more methods  
    }  
    public static void doStuff2(GC copyGC) {  
        GC localGC;  
    }  
}
```

**Note** that variable `gc1` is not initialised to a default value here, because it is a local variable.

# Constructor Chaining

- Determine the order in which the constructors execute in this example.

```
//Should be in C1.java
public class C1 {
    public C1() {
        System.out.println("1");
    }
}

//Should be in C2.java
public class C2 extends C1{
    public C2() {
        super();
        System.out.println("2");
    }
}

//Should be in C3.java
public class C3 extends C2 {
    public C3() {
        System.out.println("3");
    }

    public static void main(String args[]) {
        //Q: What list of numbers will be printed?
        // (What order are the constructors executed?)
        C3 obj = new C3();
    }
}
```

Answer:

C1, then C2, then C3

# static and instance methods



What is wrong with the code on the right?

```
public class ExampleGoneWrong
{
    public int i = 0;
    public static int s = 0;
    public void doSomethingInstance() {
        System.out.println("Instance Method");
        System.out.println(i); //Ok. Instance variable from instance context.
        System.out.println(s); //Ok. Static variable from instance context.
    }
    public static void doSomethingStatic() {
        System.out.println("Static Method");
        System.out.println(i); //Error. Instance variable from static context.
        System.out.println(s); //Ok. Static variable from instance context.
    }
    public static void main(String args[]){
        doSomethingStatic(); //Ok. static method from static context.
        doSomethingInstance(); //Error. Instance method from static context.

        //To use instance method/variable in static context, create an object first.
        ISA obj = new ISA();
        obj.doSomethingInstance(); //Call the instance method on the object.
        System.out.println(obj.i); //Access the instance variable on the object.
    }
}
```

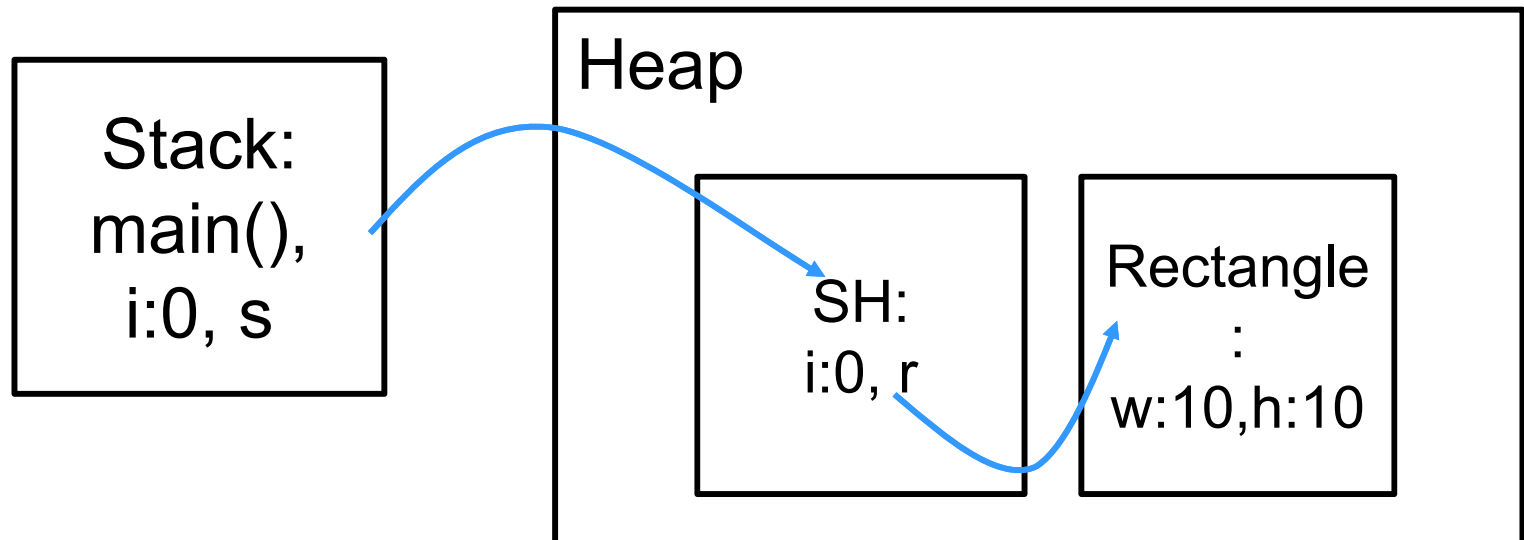
```
public class ExampleGoneWrong
{
    public int i = 0;
    public static int s = 0;
    public void doSomethingInstance() {
        System.out.println("Instance Method");
        System.out.println(i);
        System.out.println(s);
    }
    public static void doSomethingStatic() {
        System.out.println("Static Method");
        System.out.println(i);
        System.out.println(s);
    }
    public static void main(String args[]){
        doSomethingStatic();
        doSomethingInstance();
    }
}
```

# Stack and Heap Storage

- Which is on *stack* and which is on *heap*?

```
import java.awt.Rectangle;  
public class SH {  
    public int i = 0;  
    public Rectangle r = new Rectangle(10,10);  
}
```

```
public class SHTest {  
    public static void main(String args[])  
    {  
        int i = 0;  
        SH s = new SH();  
    }  
}
```



# final variables and *pass-by-value*



What is the output?

```
public class FinalPass {
    final static int[] array1 = new int[] {0, 1};
    final static int[] array2 = new int[] {1, 0};

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("A: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        array1=array2;
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("B: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        array1[0]++;
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("C: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        array1[0] = array2[0];
        array1[1] = array2[1];
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("D: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        method1(array1);
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("F: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);
    }

    public static void method1(int[] array){
        System.out.println(array);
        System.out.println("E: " + array[0] + ", " + array[1]);
        array[0] = 9;
        array[1] = 9;
    }
}
```

```
>java
FinalPass
[I@272d7a10
A: 0, 1
[I@272d7a10
B: 0, 1
[I@272d7a10
C: 1, 1
[I@272d7a10
D: 1, 0
[I@272d7a10
E: 1, 0
[I@272d7a10
F: 9, 9
```

```
public class FinalPass {
    final static int[] array1 = new int[] {0, 1};
    final static int[] array2 = new int[] {1, 0};

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("A: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        //array1=array2; //Error.
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("B: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        array1[0]++;
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("C: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        array1[0] = array2[0];
        array1[1] = array2[1];
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("D: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);

        method1(array1);
        System.out.println(array1);
        System.out.println("F: " + array1[0] + ", " + array1[1]);
    }

    public static void method1(int[] array){
        System.out.println(array);
        System.out.println("E: " + array[0] + ", " + array[1]);
        array[0] = 9;
        array[1] = 9;
    }
}
```

# Strings (1/3)

■ Consider the following string:

```
String hannah = "Did Hannah see bees? Hannah did.";
```

- What is the value displayed by the expression `hannah.length()`?
- What is the value returned by the method call `hannah.charAt(12)`?
- Write an expression that refers to the letter `b` in the `String` referred to by `hannah`.

Answers:

`32; e; hannah.charAt(15)`

Write a program that *computes your initials* from your full name and *displays them*.

```
public class ComputeInitials {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String myName = "Arthur C. Clarke";
        StringBuffer myInitials = new StringBuffer();
        int length = myName.length();
        for (int i = 0; i < length; i++) {
            if (Character.toUpperCase(myName.charAt(i))) {
                myInitials.append(myName.charAt(i));
            }
        }
        System.out.println("My initials are: " + myInitials);
    }
}
```

Output → My initials are: ACC

# Strings (2/3)

- In the program below, what is the value of **result** after each *numbered line* executes?

```
public class ComputeResult {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String original = "software";
        StringBuilder result = new StringBuilder("hi");
        int index = original.indexOf('a');
        /*1*/ result.setCharAt(0, original.charAt(0));
        /*2*/ result.setCharAt(1, original.charAt(original.length()-1));
        /*3*/ result.insert(1, original.charAt(4));
        /*4*/ result.append(original.substring(1,4));
        /*5*/ result.insert(3, (original.substring(index, index+2) + " "));
        System.out.println(result);
    }
}
```

## Answers:

/\*1\*/ si

/\*2\*/ se

/\*3\*/ swe

/\*4\*/ sweoft

/\*5\*/ swear oft



# Strings (3/3)

Which **two** statements are **TRUE**?

- a. **String** objects are immutable.
- b. Subclasses of the **String** class can be mutable.
- c. All wrapper classes are declared **final**.
- d. All objects have a **private** method named **toString()**.

What is the output of the program below?

```
public class ExampleStrings {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String str1 = "ab" + "12";  
        String str2 = "ab" + 12;  
        String str3 = new String("ab12");  
        System.out.println((str1==str2) + " " + (str1==str3));  
    }  
}
```

The program will print **true false** when run.

The constant expressions "ab" + "12" and "ab" + 12 will, at compile time, be evaluated to the string-valued constant "ab12".

Both variables **str1** and **str2** are assigned a reference to the same interned **String** object containing "ab12". The variable **str3** is assigned a new **String** object, created using the **new** operator.

True: (a) and (c)

c) The **String** class and all wrapper classes are declared **final** and, therefore, cannot be extended.

d) The **toString()** method is declared **public** in the **Object** class.

b) **String** objects are immutable and therefore, cannot be modified.

# GUI (1/4)

- The following program is supposed to display a button in a frame, but **nothing is displayed**. What is the problem?

```
import javax.swing.*;

public class Test extends JFrame {
    public Test() {
        getContentPane().add(new JButton("OK"));
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        JFrame frame = new JFrame();
        frame.setSize(100,200);
        frame.setVisible(true);
    }
}

Test frame = new Test();
```



# GUI (3/4)

Choose the **layout manager(s)** most naturally suited for the following **layout description**, an example of which is given below: “the container has a row of components that should all be displayed at the same size, filling the container’s entire area”.

- a. **FlowLayout**
- b. **GridLayout**
- c. **BorderLayout**
- d. Options *a* and *b*.

**Note:** You can assume that the container controlled by the layout manager is a **JPanel**.



**Answer:** *b*. This type of same-size layout (whether in a row, a column, or a grid) is what **GridLayout** is best at.

**Extra Question:** What would be the implementation of this layout (in *b*)?

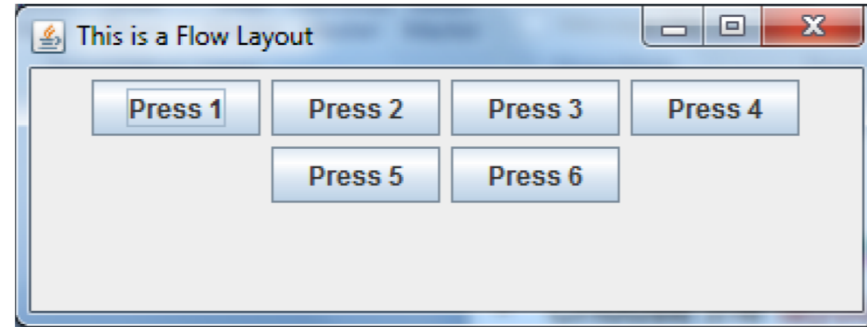
**Answer:**

```
JFrame frame = new JFrame("Layout2");
JPanel myPanel = new JPanel(new GridLayout(1,0));
myPanel.add(createComponent("Component 1"));
myPanel.add(createComponent("Component 2"));
myPanel.add(createComponent("Component 3"));
myPanel.add(createComponent("Component 4"));
frame.setContentPane(myPanel);
```

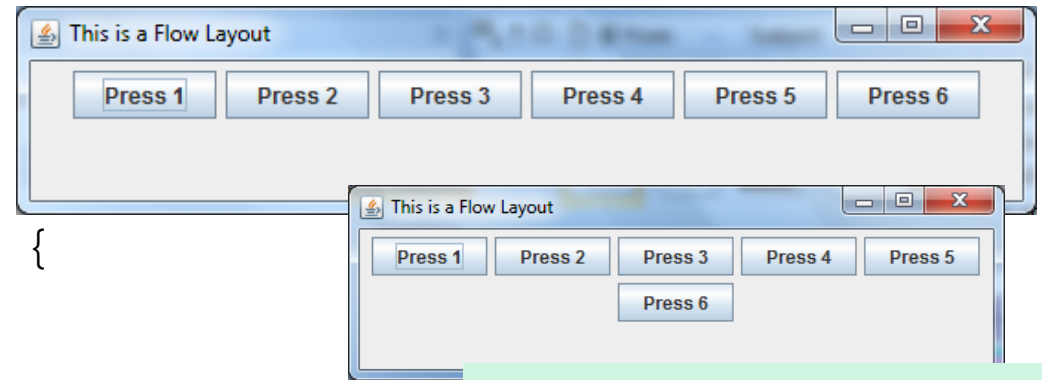
# GUI (4/4)

The GUI below uses a **FlowLayout** manager to arrange the display of the 6 buttons.

- Write the Java code that generates this GUI.
- What would happen to the displayed GUI if it was resized into a bigger window?



```
import javax.swing.*; import java.awt.*;
public class TryFlowLayout {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int windowWidth = 400;
        int windowHeight = 150;
        JFrame aWindow = new JFrame("This is a Flow Layout");
        aWindow.setBounds(100, 100, windowWidth, windowHeight);
        aWindow.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        FlowLayout flow = new FlowLayout();
        Container content = aWindow.getContentPane();
        content.setLayout(flow);
        for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++) content.add(new JButton("Press " + i));
        aWindow.setVisible(true);
    }
}
```



*Possible outcomes ...*