Java GUI: Components & Containers

Class	Description	Derived from	Default Layout
JApplet	Featureless window provided by browser for an Applet to run in.	Applet	FlowLayout
JButton	Not a window. It's here as an example of a JComponent.	JComponent	n/a
JComponent	Not a window, but an abstract class underlying JButtons etc.	Container	n/a
JFrame	A resizable, movable window with title bar and close button. Usually contains <code>JPanels</code> . The entire application is usually a <code>JFrame</code> .	Frame	BorderLayout
JPanel	A region internal to a JFrame or another JPane1 . Used for grouping components together. Optionally bounded by a visible border. Lives inside some enclosing container.	JComponent	FlowLayout
JWindow	A window without a title bar or move controls. The program can move and resize it, but the user cannot. It has no border at all. It optionally has a parent JFrame.	Window	BorderLayout



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