

1. **CLASS**

- A class in Java is a set of objects which shares common characteristics/ behavior and common properties/ attributes.
- It is a user-defined blueprint or prototype from which objects are created.
- Example, Student is a class while a particular student named Ravi is an object.
- Class is not a real-world entity. It is just a template or blueprint or prototype from which objects are created
- Class does not occupy memory.
- We can also say class is a factory which produces object for us.

Syntax to define class

```
access_modifier class <class_name>
{
    data member;
    method;
    constructor;
    nested class;
    interface;
}
```

data members
means variables eg int x = 10;

Example .

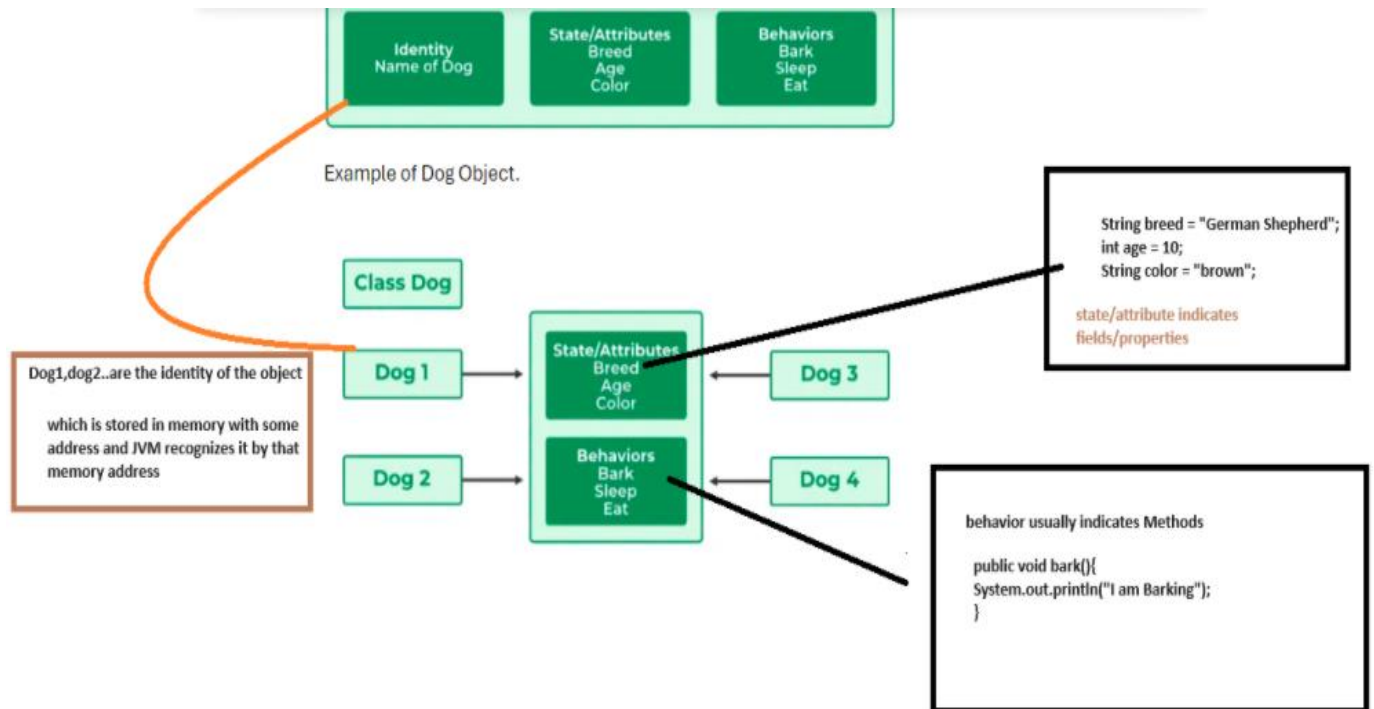
```

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3 class Student {
4     // data member (also instance variable)
5     int id;
6     // data member (also instance variable)
7     String name;
8
9     public static void main(String args[])
10    {
11        // creating an object of
12        // Student
13        Student s1 = new Student();
14        System.out.println(s1.id);
15        System.out.println(s1.name);
16    }
17 }

```

2. Objects

- An object in Java is a basic unit of Object-Oriented Programming and represents real-life entities.
- Objects are the instances of a class.
- We can create any number of object
- Objects are created in heap memory.
- Object variables are Non- Primitive Data type .
- An object Consists of
 - **State:** It is represented by attributes of an object. It also reflects the properties of an object.
 - **Behavior:** It is represented by the methods of an object. It also reflects the response of an object with other objects.
 - **Identity:** It gives a unique name to an object and enables one object to interact with other objects



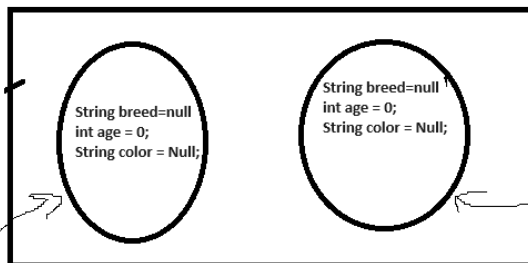
Syntax to Create Object

here className() is called constructor.

ClassName variableName = new ClassName();

With the help of new keyword, the request goes to class to create a new Object.

Dog dog1 = new Dog();



Dog dog2 = new Dog();

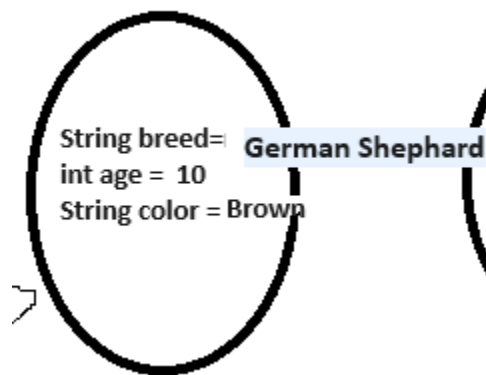
Whenever we create an object all the non static variables gets initialized for all the objects with default value if variables are not initialized.

```

3 public class Dog {
4     String breed;
5     int age;
6     String color;
7     //all the above variables are called as state of object
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9         Dog dog1 = new Dog();
10        // here when dog1 we create , the attributes breed
11        // age and color will be initialized with its default
12        // values
13        System.out.println(dog1.age); //print 0 (int default value
14        System.out.println(dog1.breed); //print null;
15        // Now we assign new value to the dog1
16        dog1.age=10;
17        dog1.breed= "German Shephard";
18        dog1.color= "Brown";
19        System.out.println(dog1.age); //prints 10
20        System.out.println(dog1.breed); //prints German Shephard
21    }

```

Now this is how dog1 will be updated



Example 2

```

3 public class Dog {
4     String breed = "Indian Breed";
5     int age = 6;
6     String color = "Black";
7     //all the above variables are called as state of object
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9         Dog dog1 = new Dog();
10        // here when dog1 we create , the attributes breed
11        // age and color will be initialized
12        // with the values we given while declaring var
13        System.out.println(dog1.age); //print 6
14        System.out.println(dog1.breed); //print "Indian Breed";
15        // Now we can reassign value to the dog1
16        dog1.age=10;
17        dog1.breed= "German Shephard";
18        dog1.color= "Brown";
19        System.out.println(dog1.age); //prints 10
20        System.out.println(dog1.breed); //prints German Shephard

```

In this case the objects will be initialized with value provided initially , not with default value