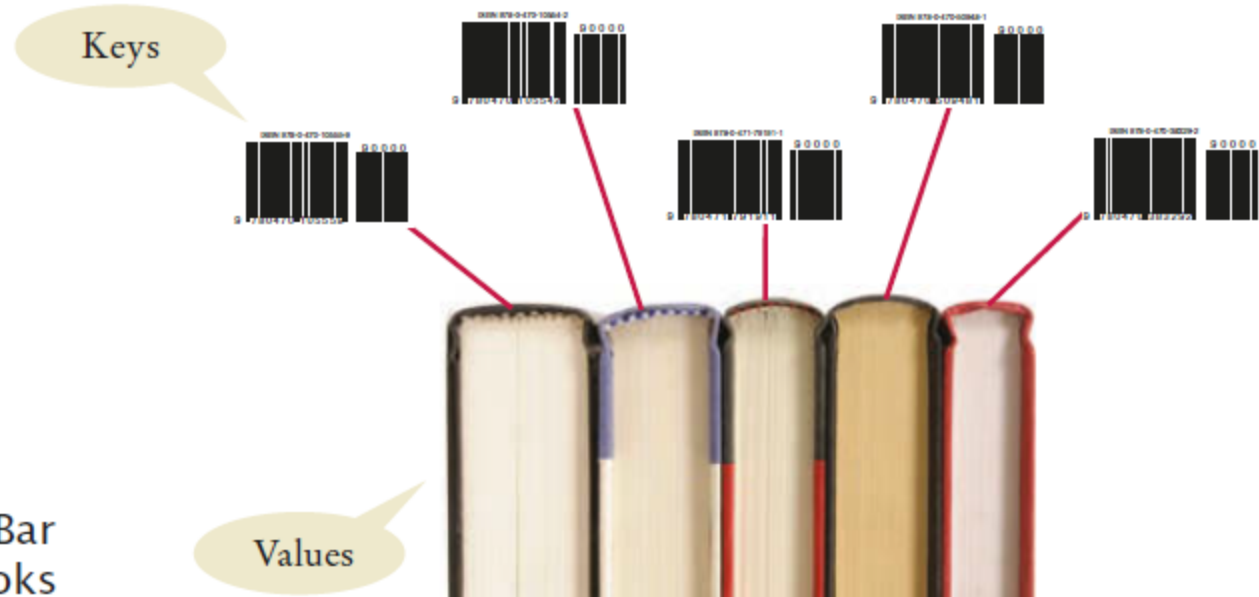


**Figure 5**  
A Map from Bar  
Codes to Books



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A map keeps  
associations  
between key and  
value objects.

The HashSet and TreeSet classes both implement the Set interface.

Set implementations arrange the elements so that they can locate them quickly.

You can form hash sets holding objects of type String, Integer, Double, Point, Rectangle, or Color.

You can form tree sets for any class that implements the Comparable interface, such as String or Integer.

When you construct a HashSet or TreeSet, store the reference in a Set variable.

```
Set<String> names = new HashSet<>();
```

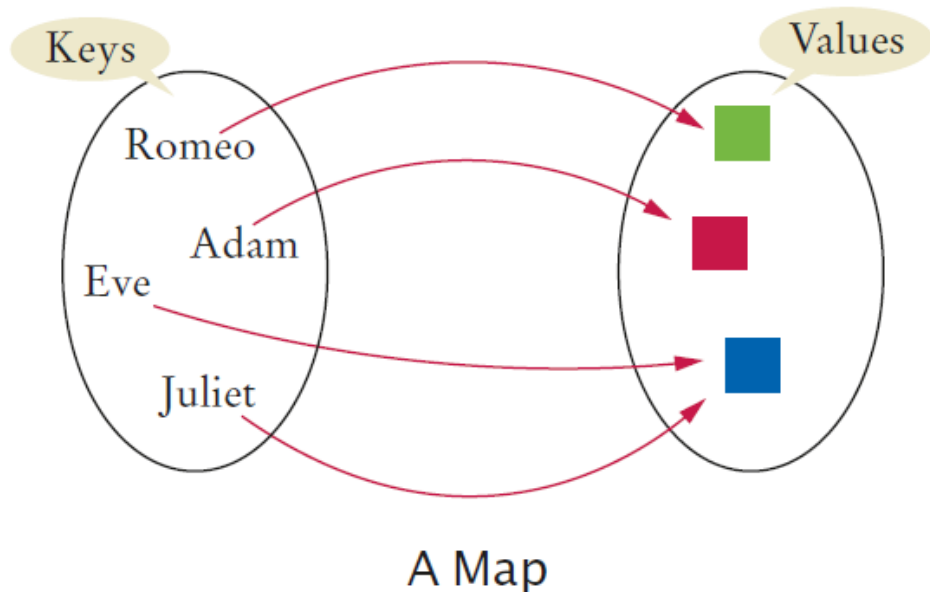
or

```
Set<String> names = new TreeSet<>();
```

## Table 4 Working with Sets

<code>Set&lt;String&gt; names;</code>	Use the interface type for variable declarations.
<code>names = new HashSet&lt;&gt;();</code>	Use a <code>TreeSet</code> if you need to visit the elements in sorted order.
<code>names.add("Romeo");</code>	Now <code>names.size()</code> is 1.
<code>names.add("Fred");</code>	Now <code>names.size()</code> is 2.
<code>names.add("Romeo");</code>	<code>names.size()</code> is still 2. You can't add duplicates.
<code>if (names.contains("Fred"))</code>	The <code>contains</code> method checks whether a value is contained in the set. In this case, the method returns <code>true</code> .
<code>System.out.println(names);</code>	Prints the set in the format <code>[Fred, Romeo]</code> . The elements need not be shown in the order in which they were inserted.
<code>for (String name : names) {     . . . }</code>	Use this loop to visit all elements of a set.
<code>names.remove("Romeo");</code>	Now <code>names.size()</code> is 1.
<code>names.remove("Juliet");</code>	It is not an error to remove an element that is not present. The method call has no effect.

The `HashMap` and `TreeMap` classes both implement the `Map` interface.



In a *TreeMap*, the key/value associations are stored in a sorted tree, in which they are sorted according to their **keys**. For this to work, it must be possible to compare the keys to one another.

This means either that the keys must implement the interface *Comparable<K>*, or that a *Comparator* must be provided for comparing keys.  
(The *Comparator* can be provided as a parameter to the *TreeMap* constructor.)

Note that in a *TreeMap*, as in a *TreeSet*, the `compareTo()` (or `compare()`) method is used to decide whether two keys are to be considered the same.

After constructing a `HashMap` or `TreeMap`, you can store the reference to the map object in a `Map` reference:

```
Map<String, Color> favoriteColors = new HashMap<>();
```

Table 5 Working with Maps

<code>Map&lt;String, Integer&gt; scores;</code>	Keys are strings, values are Integer wrappers. Use the interface type for variable declarations.
<code>scores = new TreeMap&lt;&gt;();</code>	Use a <code>HashMap</code> if you don't need to visit the keys in sorted order.
<code>scores.put("Harry", 90);</code> <code>scores.put("Sally", 95);</code>	Adds keys and values to the map.
<code>scores.put("Sally", 100);</code>	Modifies the value of an existing key.
<code>int n = scores.<u>get("Sally")</u>;</code> <code>Integer n2 = scores.get("Diana");</code>	Gets the value associated with a key, or <code>null</code> if the key is not present. <code>n</code> is 100, <code>n2</code> is <code>null</code> .
<code>System.out.println(scores);</code>	Prints <code>scores.toString()</code> , a string of the form <code>{Harry=90, Sally=100}</code>
<code>for (String key : scores.<u>keySet()</u>) {</code> <code>Integer value = scores.<u>get(key)</u>;</code> <code>...</code> <code>}</code>	Iterates through all map keys and values.
<code>scores.remove("Sally");</code>	Removes the key and value.

Suppose that `map` is a variable of type `Map<K,V>` for some specific types `K` and `V`. Then the following are some of the methods that are defined for `map`:

- `map.get(key)` — returns the object of type `V` that is associated by the map to the `key`. If the map does not associate any value with `key`, then the return value is `null`. Note that it's also possible for the return value to be `null` when the map explicitly associates the value `null` with the key. Referring to “`map.get(key)`” is similar to referring to “`A[key]`” for an array `A`. (But note that there is nothing like an *IndexOutOfBoundsException* for maps.)
- `map.put(key,value)` — Associates the specified `value` with the specified `key`, where `key` must be of type `K` and `value` must be of type `V`. If the map already associated some other value with the key, then the new value replaces the old one. This is similar to the command “`A[key] = value`” for an array.
- `map.putAll(map2)` — if `map2` is another map of type `Map<K,V>`, this copies all the associations from `map2` into `map`.
- `map.remove(key)` — if `map` associates a value to the specified `key`, that association is removed from the map.
- `map.containsKey(key)` — returns a boolean value that is `true` if the map associates some value to the specified `key`.
- `map.containsValue(value)` — returns a boolean value that is `true` if the map associates the specified `value` to some key.



If `map` is a variable of type *Map*<*K*,*V*>, then

The value returned by `map.keySet()` is a “view” of keys in the map implements the *Set*<*K*> interface

One of the things that you can do with a *Set* is get an *Iterator* for it and use the iterator to visit each of the elements of the set in turn.

`map.values()` returns an object of type *Collection*<*V*> that contains all the values from the associations that are stored in the map. The return value is a *Collection* rather than a *Set* because it can contain duplicate elements.