

## C# 7.0 → Enum

- Enum gives you named constants instead of using "magic numbers."
- Example:

```
enum OrderStatus { Pending, Shipped, Delivered, Cancelled }
```

- Instead of `status = 2`, you write:

```
status = OrderStatus.Shipped;
```

- Makes code more readable and maintainable.
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## Constructor → One Common Use Case

- A constructor is a special method called automatically when creating an object.
- Used to initialize fields and ensure the object starts in a valid state.

Example:

```
class Student
```

```
{  
    public string Name { get; }  
    public Student(string name)  
    {  
        Name = name ?? throw new ArgumentNullException(nameof(name));  
    }  
}
```

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## Code Performance → Approach

- Often there are multiple ways to achieve the same task.
- Some approaches perform better than others.

◆ Example: String concatenation performance:

// Slower for large loops

```
string text = "";
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < 1000; i++)
```

```
    text += i;
```

// Better approach

```
var sb = new StringBuilder();
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < 1000; i++)
```

```
    sb.Append(i);
```

```
string result = sb.ToString();
```

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📌 Alternative Approach

- Always ask yourself:
  - "Is there a better alternative for the same result?"
  - "Which option is more efficient or easier to maintain?"

◆ Example:

Instead of using a fixed array:

```
int[] numbers = new int[5];
```

Use a List<T> which is dynamic:

```
List<int> numbers = new List<int>();
```