

1. Why can't you create an instance of an interface directly?

Because an interface does not provide any actual implementation — it only defines a set of methods and properties that a class must implement.

It's like a “blueprint” or “contract” without real behavior. You need a class that implements the interface to create an object.

2. What are the benefits of default implementations in interfaces (C# 8.0)?

Default interface methods allow adding new functionality to an interface without breaking existing code.

- They provide backward compatibility (old classes still work).
 - They reduce code duplication (shared logic inside the interface).
 - They make interfaces more flexible, closer to abstract classes, but still support multiple inheritance.
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3. Why is it useful to use an interface reference to access implementing class methods?

Using an interface reference promotes **polymorphism**: different classes can be accessed through the same interface type.

- This leads to loose coupling (code depends on interface, not concrete class).
 - Easier to change or replace classes without affecting client code.
 - Great for testing and mocking (you can pass fake implementations).
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4. How does C# overcome the limitation of single inheritance with interfaces?

C# does not support multiple inheritance of classes (a class can inherit only one base class).

But a class **can implement multiple interfaces**.

This allows a class to combine behaviors from many sources (e.g., IReadable, IWritable, IMovable).

So interfaces provide flexibility and achieve multiple inheritance of behavior safely, avoiding the

5. What is the difference between a virtual method and an abstract method in C#?

1. A **virtual method** has a default implementation but can be overridden.
2. An **abstract method** has no implementation and must be overridden in derived classes.

D8 : Part01

1. Why is it better to code against an interface rather than a concrete class?

Because coding against an interface provides flexibility, loose coupling, and polymorphism. You can switch implementations without changing the code that uses the interface.

2. When should you prefer an abstract class over an interface?

Use an abstract class when you want to share common implementation/fields across subclasses, not just method signatures. Interfaces are better when you only need a contract, without shared code.

3. How does implementing `Comparable` improve flexibility in sorting?

It allows objects to be sorted directly with built-in sorting algorithms. You can define custom comparison logic (e.g., by price, by name) without modifying external code.

4. What is the primary purpose of a copy constructor in C#?

To create a new object as a copy of an existing one, ensuring deep copy of fields so that objects don't unintentionally share references.

5. How does explicit interface implementation help in resolving naming conflicts?

It allows a class to implement methods from multiple interfaces that have the same method names, without conflicts. Each interface's method can be handled separately.

6. **What is the key difference between encapsulation in structs and classes?**

Both support encapsulation, but **structs are value types** (copied by value) while **classes are reference types** (copied by reference). This affects memory behavior and performance.

7. **What is abstraction as a guideline, and what's its relation with encapsulation?**

Abstraction hides *what* the object does (focus on behavior, not implementation).
Encapsulation hides *how* it does it (internal data, implementation details).
They work together: abstraction defines the design, encapsulation secures the implementation.

8. **How do default interface implementations affect backward compatibility in C#?**

They allow adding new methods to interfaces without breaking existing implementations. Old classes still compile even if they don't override the new method.

9. **How does constructor overloading improve class usability?**

It gives flexibility when creating objects. Users can initialize an object with different sets of data (full details or partial), improving readability and convenience.

Part02+Bonus

1 What do we mean by coding against interface rather than class?

It means: when writing code, depend on the **interface (contract)** instead of the actual class.

◆ Example:

Instead of coding directly to a concrete class like `SqlDatabase`, you depend on `IDatabase`.

This way, if tomorrow you switch from SQL to MongoDB, your main code won't break — only the implementation changes.

👉 Idea: Focus on **what the object can do** (behavior) instead of **how it does it** (implementation).

2 What do we mean by code against abstraction, not concreteness?

This is a general principle:

- **Abstraction** = interface or abstract class.
- **Concreteness** = actual implementation class.

So, "code against abstraction" means always design your systems to rely on the **general contract** and not the specific details.

3 What is abstraction as a guideline?

As a guideline, **abstraction** means:

- Hide unnecessary details.
- Focus on essential behavior.
- Provide a clear contract that other classes must follow.

How do we implement this?

From what we've studied:

- Using **Interfaces** → define only contracts.
- Using **Abstract Classes** → combine contracts + shared logic.
- Using **Polymorphism** → work with objects through their abstraction.

4 What is operator overloading?

Operator overloading allows us to redefine how operators (+, -, *, ==, etc.) work for our custom classes.

◆ Example:

If you create a `ComplexNumber` class, you can overload the + operator:

```
ComplexNumber c1 = new ComplexNumber(1, 2);
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```
ComplexNumber c2 = new ComplexNumber(3, 4);
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```
ComplexNumber result = c1 + c2; // works because we overloaded +
```

Without operator overloading, you would need something like `c1.Add(c2)` instead.