

Accessing Parent Members

- if a method overrides one of its parent class's methods, one can invoke the overridden method through the use of **super** (so we don't lose access to it)
- one can also use **super** to refer to a shadowed field present in the parent class
- when used as a constructor name during instantiation, **super** refers to a particular constructor of the parent
- in Java, invocation of a super class constructor has to be the first line in the sub-class constructor

```
class Parent {  
    String name;  
    Parent() {}  
  
    Parent(String name) {  
        this.name = "Parent Attribute " + name;  
    }  
  
    void saySomething() {  
        System.out.println("From ParentMethod.");  
    }  
}
```

```
class Child extends Parent {  
    String name;  
  
    Child(String name) {  
        super(name);  
        this.name = "Child Attribute " + name;  
    }
```

call
constructor of
parent

```
    String getParentName() {  
        return super.name; }  
  
    void saySomething() {  
        System.out.println("From ChildMethod.");  
    }
```

access
shadowed
attribute of
parent

```
    void delegate() {  
        super.saySomething();  
    }  
}
```

overriding

access
parent
method

```
class SuperWorld {  
    public static void main (String[] args) {  
        Child a = new Child("NameA");  
        Parent b = new Parent("NameB");  
        a.saySomething();  
        b.saySomething();  
        a.delegate();  
        System.out.println(a.name);  
        System.out.println(a.getParentName());  
    }  
}
```