



Tutorial 3

Question 2



Access Modifiers

Modifier	Same Class	Same Package	Sub Class	Everyone
public	✓	✓	✓	✓
protected	✓	✓	✓	
default	✓	✓		
private	✓			

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Recap: Method Overriding, Object Class, Equals

- Method overriding - changing implementation of method defined in a parent class
- **Object** class - parent class of all other classes, defines common methods all objects should possess
- **equals()** - method which checks if two objects are equal



equals()

- There exist requirements on how the equals method should be implemented
- Breaking these requirements may break other classes / libraries which expect this 'contract' to be upheld

Question 4

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public class Point {
    public int x;
    public int y;

    public Point(int x, int y) {
        this.x = x;
        this.y = y;
    }

    public boolean equals(Point obj) {
        if ((this.x == obj.x) && (this.y == obj.y)) {
            return true;
        }
        return false;
    }

    public static void main (String[] args) {

        Point p1 = new Point(1,2);
        Point p2 = new Point(1,2);

        System.out.println("===What do you expect when you test whether p1 is equal to
p2 (and vice versa)?");
        System.out.println("Expected: true, Result: " + (p1.equals(p2)));
        System.out.println("The above test masks the error in the implementation of
equals()");

        System.out.println("===What do you expect when you test whether p3 is equal to
p1?");
        Object p3 = p2;
        System.out.println(p3.equals(p1));
        System.out.println("Why is p3 not equal to p1 ?");
    }
}

```