

Java Classes and Objects:

Java is an object-oriented programming language. The core concept of the object-oriented approach is to break complex problems into smaller objects.

An object is any entity that has a state and behavior.

Class:

A class is a user defined blueprint or prototype from which objects are created. It represents the set of properties or methods that are common to all objects of one type.

```
class ClassName {  
    // fields  
    // methods  
}
```

fields (variables) and methods represent the state and behavior of the object respectively.

- fields are used to store data
- methods are used to perform some operations

```
class Bicycle {  
  
    // state or field  
    private int gear = 5;  
  
    // behavior or method  
    public void braking () {  
        System.out.println("Working of Braking");  
    }  
}
```

Methods:

A method is a block of code that performs a specific task.

In Java, there are two types of methods:

User-defined Methods: We can create our own method based on our requirements.

Standard Library Methods: These are built-in methods in Java that are available to use.

```
returnType methodName() {  
    // method body  
}
```

returnType - It specifies what type of value a method returns. For example, if a method has an `int` return type, then it returns an integer value.

If the method does not return a value, its return type is `void`.

methodName - It is an identifier that is used to refer to the particular method in a program.

method body - It includes the programming statements that are used to perform some tasks. The method body is enclosed inside the curly braces `{ }`.

Objects

An object is called an instance of a class.

An object consists of:

- **State:** It is represented by attributes of an object. It also reflects the properties of an object.
- **Behavior:** It is represented by methods of an object. It also reflects the response of an object with other objects.
- **Identity:** It gives a unique name to an object and enables one object to interact with other objects.

Creating an Object in Java:

We have to use the `new` keyword along with the constructor of the class to create an object.

```
className object = new className();

// for Bicycle class
Bicycle sportsBicycle = new Bicycle();

Bicycle touringBicycle = new Bicycle();
```

Constructor:

A constructor in Java is similar to a method that is invoked when an object of the class is created.

Unlike Java methods, a constructor has the same name as that of the class and does not have any return type. For example,

```
class Test {

    Test() {

        // constructor body

    }

}
```

Types of Constructor

In Java, constructors can be divided into

1. No-Arg Constructor

Similar to methods, a Java constructor may or may not have any parameters (arguments).

If a constructor does not accept any parameters, it is known as a no-argument constructor.

```
private Constructor() {  
    // body of the constructor  
}
```

2. Parameterized Constructor

A Java constructor can also accept one or more parameters. Such constructors are known as parameterized constructors (constructor with parameters).

```
class Main {  
  
    String languages;  
  
    // constructor accepting single value  
    Main(String lang) {  
        languages = lang;  
        System.out.println(languages + " Programming Language");  
    }  
}
```