Abstract class in Java -

> A class which is declared as abstract is known as an abstract class. It can have abstract and non-abstract methods.

> It needs to be extended and its abstract method implemented.

> It cannot be instantiated.

Points to remember :

> An abstract class must be declared with an abstract keyword.

> It can have abstract and non-abstract methods.

> It cannot be instantiated.

> It can have constructors and static methods also.

> It can have final methods which will force the subclass not to change the body of the method.

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> an instance of an abstract class cannot be created, we can have references of abstract type though.

```
abstract class Base{
    abstract void fun();
}
class Derived extends Base
{
    void fun()
    { System.out.println("Derived fun called"); }
}
class Main{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        Base b = new Derived();
        b.fun();
    }
}
```

> An abstract class can contain constructors in Java. And a constructor abstract class is called when an instance of a inherited class is created.

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> We can have abstract class without any abstract method. This allows us to create classes that cannot be instantiated, but can only be inherited.

```
abstract class Base
{
    void fun()
    { System.out.println("Base fun() called"); }
}
class Derived extends Base { }
class main{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        Derived d = new Derived();
        d.fun();
    }
}
```

> Abstract class can also have final methods (methods that cannot be overriden).

```
abstract class Base{
  final void fun{

      System.out.println("final method called");
  }
```

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```
class Derived extends Base{ }

class Main{
    public static void main(String args[])
    {
        Base b = new Derived();
        b.fun();
    }
}
```

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