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Part 11's questions: Iterate through the list and print out the information of the media by using toString()
method. Observe what happens and explain in detail.
public class PolymorphismTest {
      public static void main(String[] args) {
            ArrayList<Media> mediaList = new ArrayList<Media>();
            ArrayList<String> authors = new ArrayList<String>();
            authors.add("Sarah Rose Summer");
            authors.add("Catriona Gray");
            Book b = new Book("Snow White", "Comic book", 50.99, authors);
            ArrayList<Track> tracks = new ArrayList<Track>();
            Track track1 = new Track("Let it go", 30);
            Track track2 = new Track("Hero", 70);
            tracks.add(track1);
            tracks.add(track2);
            CompactDisc cd = new CompactDisc("Frozen", "Animation", 30.95, 200, "Elsa",
"Diana Mendez", tracks);
           DigitalVideoDisc dvd = new DigitalVideoDisc("Snow white", "Animation", 40.15,
150, "Anna");
            mediaList.add(dvd);
            mediaList.add(cd);
            mediaList.add(b);
            for(Media m : mediaList) {
                  System.out.println(m.toString());
            }
      }
}
Result in cosole application:
DVD Title: Snow white - Category: Animation - Cost: 40.15$ - Length: 150 - Director:
Anna
CD Title: Frozen - Category: Animation - Cost: 30.95$ - Length: 200 - Director: Elsa -
Artist: Diana Mendez - Track: [(Title: Let it go , Length: 30), (Title: Hero , Length:
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## Some explanations:

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Polymorphism in behavior: The mediaList holds objects of different types (Book, CompactDisc, DigitalVideoDisc), but each object calls its own overridden toString() method when printed.

Book Title: Snow White - Category: Comic book - Cost: 50.99\$ - Authors: [Sarah Rose

<u>Part 12's questions</u>: Alternatively, to compare items in the cart, instead of using Comparator, we can use the Comparable interface and override the compareTo() method. You can refer to the Java docs to see the information of this interface. Suppose we are taking this Comparable interface approach.

- 1. What class should implement the Comparable interface?
  - It is used when an object of a class needs to compare itself with other objects of the same class. This means that the Media class should implement the Comparable interface. By implementing this interface, instances of the class will be able to be compared with each other using the compareTo() method.
- 2. In those classes, how should you implement the compareTo() method be to reflect the ordering that we want?

For example, if we want to sort the media in the list by title first, then by cost, we can implement the compareTo() method in the Media class like this one:

@Override

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public int compareTo(Media other) {
    return this.title.compareTo(other.title);
    // Only one comparison rule (by title)
}
```

- 3. Can we have two ordering rules of the item (by title then cost and by cost then title) if we use this Comparable interface approach?
  - No, if you use the Comparable interface approach, you can only define **one natural ordering** for the objects of that class. The Comparable interface allows you to define a single comparison method, compareTo(), which specifies how two objects of the class should be compared with each other based on one criterion (e.g., by title or cost).
  - If you want to have multiple ordering rules (e.g., by title then cost, or by cost then title), the Comparable interface alone won't be sufficient, because it only allows one comparison logic to be defined.
- 4. Suppose the DVDs has a different ordering rule from the other media types, that is by title, then decreasing length, then cost. How would you modify your code to allow this? import java.util.\*;

```
public class MediaComparatorByTitleLengthCost implements Comparator<Media> {
    @Override
    public int compare(Media m1, Media m2) {
        if (m1 instanceof DigitalVideoDisc && m2 instanceof DigitalVideoDisc) {
            DigitalVideoDisc dvd1 = (DigitalVideoDisc) m1;
            DigitalVideoDisc dvd2 = (DigitalVideoDisc) m2;
            int titleComparison = dvd1.getTitle().compareTo(dvd2.getTitle());
            if (titleComparison != 0) {
                return titleComparison;
            }
            int lengthComparison = Integer.compare(dvd2.getLength(),
                                                   dvd1.getLength());
            if (lengthComparison != 0) {
                return lengthComparison;
            }
            return Double.compare(dvd1.getCost(), dvd2.getCost());
        return 0;
    }
}
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