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## **java.lang**

Class InstantiationException

[java.lang.Object](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html)  
 [java.lang.Throwable](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html)  
 [java.lang.Exception](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Exception.html)  
 **java.lang.InstantiationException**

**All Implemented Interfaces:** [Serializable](http://docs.google.com/java/io/Serializable.html)

public class **InstantiationException**extends [Exception](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Exception.html)

Thrown when an application tries to create an instance of a class using the newInstance method in class Class, but the specified class object cannot be instantiated. The instantiation can fail for a variety of reasons including but not limited to:

* the class object represents an abstract class, an interface, an array class, a primitive type, or void
* the class has no nullary constructor

**Since:** JDK1.0 **See Also:**[Class.newInstance()](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Class.html#newInstance()), [Serialized Form](http://docs.google.com/serialized-form.html#java.lang.InstantiationException)

| **Constructor Summary** | |
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| [**InstantiationException**](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/InstantiationException.html#InstantiationException())()            Constructs an InstantiationException with no detail message. |
| [**InstantiationException**](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/InstantiationException.html#InstantiationException(java.lang.String))([String](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/String.html) s)            Constructs an InstantiationException with the specified detail message. |

| **Method Summary** | |
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| **Methods inherited from class java.lang.**[**Throwable**](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html) |
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| [fillInStackTrace](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#fillInStackTrace()), [getCause](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#getCause()), [getLocalizedMessage](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#getLocalizedMessage()), [getMessage](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#getMessage()), [getStackTrace](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#getStackTrace()), [initCause](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#initCause(java.lang.Throwable)), [printStackTrace](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#printStackTrace()), [printStackTrace](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#printStackTrace(java.io.PrintStream)), [printStackTrace](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#printStackTrace(java.io.PrintWriter)), [setStackTrace](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#setStackTrace(java.lang.StackTraceElement%5B%5D)), [toString](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Throwable.html#toString()) |

| **Methods inherited from class java.lang.**[**Object**](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html) |
| --- |
| [clone](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#clone()), [equals](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#equals(java.lang.Object)), [finalize](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#finalize()), [getClass](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#getClass()), [hashCode](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#hashCode()), [notify](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#notify()), [notifyAll](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#notifyAll()), [wait](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#wait()), [wait](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#wait(long)), [wait](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/Object.html#wait(long,%20int)) |

| **Constructor Detail** |
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### InstantiationException

public **InstantiationException**()

Constructs an InstantiationException with no detail message.

### InstantiationException

public **InstantiationException**([String](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/String.html) s)

Constructs an InstantiationException with the specified detail message.

**Parameters:**s - the detail message.

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For further API reference and developer documentation, see [Java SE Developer Documentation](http://docs.google.com/webnotes/devdocs-vs-specs.html). That documentation contains more detailed, developer-targeted descriptions, with conceptual overviews, definitions of terms, workarounds, and working code examples.

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