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Java Cocepts

Objectives:

- ✓ Overview: Object, class, inheritance, interface, package
- ✓ Variable types and variable modifier types
- ✓ Basic java application: create a class, define variables, functions, conditions and loops, arrays, Logging

Overview:Object

An instance of a class

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Vehicle obj = new Vehicle();
}
```

Overview:Class

A class is a blueprint from which objects are created

Overview: Inheritance

This when a class is able use properties defined in another class.

A class that is used a basis for inheritance is called a superclass or base class.

A class that inherits from a superclass is called a subclass or derived class.

```
public class Inheritance extends Thursday {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        writeSomething("Inheritance");
    }
}
```

Overview: Interface

We use an interface to enforce certain properties in a class



Variable types:

A variable is storage space

Each variable in java has a specific type, which determines the size and layout of the variable's memory.

Example types: int, long, String, double

Modifier types:

Modifiers are keywords that you add to definitions to change their meanings.

To use a modifier, you include its keyword in the definition of a class, method or variable.

NB: The modifier precedes the rest of the statement

```
public class className {
    // ...
}
private boolean myFlag;
static final double weeks = 9.5;
protected static final int BOXWIDTH = 42;
public static void main(String[] arguments) {
    // body of method
}
```

Modifier types: Access Control

They set access levels for classes, variables, methods and constructors

- default:- visible to the package
- private:- visible to the class only
- public:- visible to the world
- protected:- visible to the class and all subclasses



Modifier types: Non Access Modifiers

static: - signifies that a member belongs to the class itself rather than to instances of the class

final:- finalizes the implementation of classes, methods and variables.

Resourceful links

Java basics: http://www.tutorialspoint.com/java/index.htm

Learn java: http://www.learnjavaonline.org/