

- **Why Java**

- Platform Independence. Java works on any OS that supports JVM
- JVM: Interprets compiled Java bytecode for the computer
- Garbage collection: don't need to worry about memory management
- Object Oriented: almost everything is an object and helps us program in the way we see the world.
- Open Source: Freeeeee
- Libraries: A substantial amount of built in libraries so we don't have to "reinvent" the wheel
- Large Job Market: Get PAAAAAID

- **OOP: 4 pillars**

- Encapsulation
 - A mechanism of wrapping the data (variables) and the code acting on the data (methods) together as a single unit. Also, variables of a class will be hidden from other classes and can only be accessed through methods of that class. (Data Hiding)
- Polymorphism
 - The ability of an object to take many forms. Method overloading and method overriding.
 - Method Overloading: When you have multiple methods with the same name but different parameters. Java will determine which one is the best fit.
 - Method Overriding: When a class redefines a method that was given to it via an interface or a parent class.
- Abstraction
 - Hiding the implementation (give us a general idea of what something will do without going into details).
- Inheritance
 - The ability to derive a new class from an existing class

- **Naming Conventions**

- Variables, methods - camelCase
- Classes - PascalCase
- Constants - UPPER_CASE_WITH_UNDERSCORES
- Packages - reverse.domain.name

- **Constructors**

- First line of a constructor must be either super(); or this();. If it is neither of those, then it is inferred to be super();
- Must be the named the same as the class and must not have a return
- 2 types of constructors:
 - Default (no parameters)
 - Parameterized (has parameters)

- **Scopes of a variable**

- Static/class : Doesn't need to be instantiated (closest thing java has to a global scope)
- Instance: scoped to a particular instance of that class
- Method: denotes parameters passed into the method a (int params) params are in the method scope
- Block: exists within anyset of {}
- **Control Statements**
 - If-else
 - While
 - Do-While : executes at least once
 - For
 - Switch(case):
 - Case:
 - Can't be boolean
 - Can't be float
 - Can't be double
- **Short Circuit Operators**
 - && and ||. Checks the first condition, if the second condition will have no effect on the outcome then it will just continue on without checking the second condition.
- **Arrays**
 - A fixed container of data
 - Always indexed from 0
 - Can store anything
 - Brackets can go either after the type declaration or after the name `String[] arr` or `String arr[]`
 - Double arrays have 2 brackets: `string doubleArr[][]`
- **Var Args**
 - Allow you to pass in 0 to infinite number of arguments to a method
 - `Public void myMethod(int ... params)`
 - Var Args must be the last item in the list of parameters
 - The var Args will be an array
- **For each loop (enhanced for loop)**
 - `for(int elem : elements) sysout(elem);`
- **Packages: folder structure**
 - A group of similar types of classes, interfaces and sub-packages
 - 2 types: built-in and user-defined
- **Access Modifiers**
 - Public : access from anywhere
 - Protected: Class, package, and children
 - Private: Class
 - Default (no access modifier) class and package
- **Strings**

- Strings are Immutable
- Strings are an Object
- **StringPool**
 - This is where Strings are supposed to be stored
 - Java will try to reuse strings. If there are two “hello” strings there will be only 1 “hello” in the StringPool
 - Things to Note regarding the String Pool:
 - When using “new” to make a string, it will be on the heap
 - All String.methods will add a string to the heap
- **StringBuilder and StringBuffer**
 - Ways to make mutable String
 - String Builder is not threadsafe
 - StringBuffer is threadsafe
- **Exception Handling**
 - Try-catch-finally
 - Try needs either a catch or a finally or both
 - Finally will always be run
 - Catch order matters. Can have multiple catches for a single try
 - Try with resources Try(blahblah){} will automatically close the item in the try();
- **Exception types**
 - **Checked**
 - CompileTime Exceptions: have to be checked
 - Require us to handle before code will compile
 - Must be surrounded by a try-catch block or requires the method to have a throws
 - All IO Exceptions
 - **Unchecked**
 - RunTime Exceptions
 - Do not require any catches
 - Can be avoided with logic
 - **Error**
 - Implements the throwable class
 - Usually a fatal event that will kill your program
 - StackOverflow
- **Garbage Collection**
 - Automagic memory management
 - Always calls finalize() before it deletes the object;
 - Can be requested by using System.gc()
- **Object class**
 - Objects are the father class that all other classes extend from
- **Wrapper Classes**
 - Object representation of a primitive

- Autoboxing: automatically converting the primitive into the wrapper
 - AutoUnboxing: automatically converting the wrapper into the primitive
- **Reflection:**
 - view and modify classes at runTime
 - Java advises not using reflection
- **Overriding/Overloading**
 - **Overloading:**
 - Having multiple methods with a single name but with different parameters
 - **Overriding:**
 - Changing a method that was received by an interface or a parent class
- **Interface vs Abstract Class**
 - **Interfaces:**
 - All implicitly abstract methods. We don't define any methods as being abstract. They cannot have a method body unless declared default or static
 - Implicitly public interfaces
 - Implemented using the implements keyword
 - A class can implement 65k interfaces
 - Cannot be instantiated
 - Use when no concrete methods
 - **Abstract Classes:**
 - Can have abstract methods and concrete methods. Have to specify abstract on the abstract methods.
 - Have to specify access modifiers
 - Extended using the extends keyword
 - Classes can only extend 1 class. Doesn't matter if the class is abstract or not
 - Cannot be instantiated
 - Use where some concrete methods
- **Generics**
 - Allows us to construct a class in a way where we can ignore type to some degree but allows flexibility for handling Multiple types
 - All Containers are generic
 - For class end with <E>
- **Comparing objects**
 - **Comparable<T>**
 - Interface with the method .compareTo(T other){}
 - Implemented on the object itself
 - For natural ordering
 - Can only be one
 - **Comparator<T>**
 - Functional Interface with method .compare(T one, T two){}
 - Implemented on a separate object

- Unnatural order (we can pick order)
 - Can be an infinite amount
- **Final**
 - Final variables are constant and can't be modified
 - Final classes cannot be extended
 - Final methods cannot be overridden
 - Final Objects can have their variables changed, but the Object cannot be reassigned
- **Git**
- **Serialization**
 - Conversion between object and bytecode
 - To make a class serializable it must implement serializable
 - ObjectOutputStream and ObjectInputStream are used to serialization
 - Require an InputStream for input and an OutputStream for output
- **BufferedReader and Writer**
 - Reads lines at a time
 - Requires a Reader/Writer during instantiation
- **Collection Interface (a group of data)**
 - Inherits from Iterable
 - Iterable comes with an Iterator
 - **List**
 - Ordered which means we can access by index
 - No restriction on duplicates
 - ArrayList
 - Underlying storage is an array
 - Very fast access
 - Inefficient when growing
 - LinkedList
 - Stored into a doubly linked list
 - Efficient for adding and inserting
 - **Set**
 - No guaranteed order, thus no access via index
 - No duplicates
 - HashSet
 - Faster
 - Stores data of an object based off the Hash value
 - WARNING: if an object is updated while in the HashSet then it's new hash won't match the hash that's stored in the set
 - TreeSet
 - Creates a binary tree
 - Tree will rebalance itself when its depth is 2 more on one 1 side

- Pretty fast at reading
- **Queue**
 - Ordered
 - Can only push to back
 - Can only pop from front
 - Usually FIFO
 - Exception: PriorityQueues allow contents to have a priority which may push them to the front
 - Types of Queues:
 - LinkedList
 - PriorityQueue
- **Deque**
 - Can read and write from either side
- **Marker Interfaces**
 - An empty interface
 - Important marker interfaces
 - Serializable
 - Cloneable
 - Remote
 - Threadsafe
- **Functional Interface**
 - An interface with only 1 abstract method
 - *Built in Java interfaces are*
 - *Function<T,R> : takes in one parameter T and return type R*
 - *IntFunction, LongFunction, DoubleFunction*
 - *ToIntFunction, ToLongFunction, ToDoubleFunction*
 - *DoubleToIntFunction, etc*
 - *BiFunctions*
 - *Supplies<R> supplies something but takes nothing*
 - *Consumers<T> takes in a parameter T and returns nothing*
 - *Predicate<T> takes a value and returns a boolean*
 - *Operators receive and return the same kind of value*
 - *Replace all is an example*
- **Lambda**
 - Anonymous function
 - Methods belong to a class
 - Functions don't belong to anything
- **Lambda notation**
 - `() -> {}`
- **Streams**
 - `Stream<E>` is a generic stream
 - There are primitive streams
 - `.boxed()` converts a primitive stream to a generic stream

- .filter() removes unwanted items using a Predicate
- .map() converts the contents of the stream
- .reduce() shrinks the stream to one time
- .foreach() uses a consumer on each item in the stream
- Intermediate operations return streams
- Terminal operations return an object
- **Ternary:**
 - 3 point operator (condition ? true : false)
- **What is a thread**
 - A thread of execution in a program that will allow to run things concurrently
- **Why use a thread**
 - Allows concurrent execution within a program
 - Can decrease time needed for a program to execute
- **Extending Thread vs Implementing Runnable**
 - Extending thread is not the preferred way because of overhead and built in that could cause issues if unwisely overridden
 - Implementing Runnable is the preferred way since runnable is a functional interface that Thread's constructor can take. It's only method is run()
- **isAlive()**
 - Checks to see if the thread exists in a state between new and terminated
- **join()**
 - Will halt the current thread until the thread that join is called on terminates
- **States**
 - New: when we first create a thread
 - Runnable: when the thread is running
 - TimedWaiting: when the thread is waiting a predefined amount of time
 - Waiting: when the thread is waiting indefinitely (will need to be woken up)
 - Blocked: when the thread is waiting for a resource that is being used by another thread
 - Terminated: when the thread is dead
- **Synchronized**
 - Used to allow only 1 thread to access at a time
 - For methods just include synchronized in between the access modifier and the return declaration
 - Can have synchronized statements
 - synchronize(obj) {}
 - Require the obj that will be modified to be specified in the ()
- **Deadlock**
 - When two threads are trying to access things each other possesses and thus cannot proceed
- **producer/consumer problem**
 - A producer produces and a consumer consumes. Extremely inefficient and may cause error.