

Assignment 1
Due Thursday Feb 3

Deposit the .java files and any other text files that your programs use

1. **Palindrome.java**

This is a slightly more complicated version of the program from class.
Follow the directions below and

- DO NOT USE `equalsIgnoreCase(..)`.
- Use `equals()` instead.
- That makes it a little more complicated but give you practice.



A palindrome is a string that reads the same forwards and backwards. Write a program called Palindrome that reads strings from a file (**`sentences.txt`**), one string per line, and determines whether or not that string is a palindrome. Your program should request the name of the file, and read from the file using a Scanner object, if the file exists. Each line may have spaces and punctuation, **but you should ignore everything except for characters A through Z**. Furthermore, you should not distinguish between upper and lower case. **Use the String class only. Do not use StringBuilder.**

Again, directions for reading and writing to files are [here](#).

Your program should have a method:

```
String removeCharacters(String s)
    that returns a string that contains only the letters A...Z
```

That is, remove all non alphabetical characters and return a string with uppercase letters..

Use the String method `toUpperCase()`

Java' s method

`boolean Character.isLetter(char c)`

that returns true if c is an alphabetical character may be useful

and include another method

`boolean isPalindrome(String s)`

that returns true if s is a palindrome.

For example, given the following file (sentences.txt):

Too bad I hid a boot.
Madam, I'm Adam.
What is this all about?
Bob!
A man, a plan, a canal, Suez.
Lisa Bonet ate no basil.

Your program should print out the following output to another file (palindromes.txt):

Too bad I hid a boot.--> Palindrome
Madam, I'm Adam. --> Palindrome
What is this all about? --> Not a palindrome
Bob! --> Palindrome
A man, a plan, a canal, Suez.--> Not a palindrome
Lisa Bonet ate no basil. --> Palindrome.

2. Program `Change.java`



Write a program that creates a `StringBuilder` :

```
StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder("I won 1000 dollars");
```

and then

- (a) print sb
- (b) change sb, using `StringBuilder` methods, to "I won 100 dolls"
and print the new version of sb **// this takes at most two lines**
- (c) Change the version from part (b) to "I won 60 dollies"
and print the new version of sb **// this takes at most two lines**

You should create only **one** `StringBuilder` object and just keep changing it.

You can do this in `main(...)`.