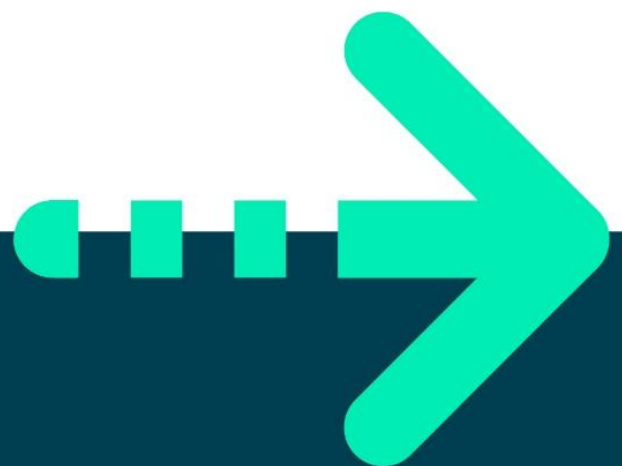




# **LAB 10, TYPES IV – Enums and Strings**





## Lab 10 – Enums & Strings

### Objective

See how to define and use the **enum** keyword to define a new type. Consolidate on knowledge of the functionality of class **String** and introduce the very useful **StringBuilder** class.

### Part 1 using an enum

1. Open the Game project you created in Lab 9.
2. Circle is not the only shape! You can give the Ball class a property that dictates its shape. However the shape must be limited to a list which you define. You will need to create this type as an **enum**.
3. Define a new enum called SHAPE\_TYPE with following values

Rectangle  
ThreeDRectangle  
RoundRectangle  
Oval  
Arc

Please create this *enum* outside of the Ball class or in its own file.

4. Define a new enum called **SHAPE\_TYPE** with following values
5. Now you can see the name **Ball** does not look like a good choice!  
Please change the name Ball to **Shape** in your project. The best way to do this is to open the Ball class and right mouse click on the word Ball and then choose the **Refactor->Rename** menu options. The editor will change all references to Ball.
6. Define a new private fields called shapeType of type SHAPE\_TYPE  
as: **private SHAPE\_TYPE shapeType;**
7. Create a getter for this field.
8. Set this value inside the constructor.  
Tip: Add a parameter of type SHAPE\_TYPE to the constructor.
9. Back in the paint method, you can now examine the getShapeType() to see what to draw. for example

```
if ( getShapeType() == SHAPE_TYPE.RoundRectangle)
    g.draw drawRoundRectangle(.....);
```

10. Run your application to see different shapes bouncing about!  
You can also change the colour of your shape by creating a new field of type Color (like: private Color colour;)  
Set its value in the Shape's constructor and also create a getter method.  
You can then use this in paint when drawing a shape using code like:  
**g.setColor( shape.getColour() );**  
**g.drawRect(...);**



## Part 2 using String

1. Expand **main()**, declare a **String** called **name** whose value is any first name of any length greater than 3 characters.
2. Display its 3<sup>rd</sup> character using **charAt()** (can also be done with **substring()**)
3. Display it converted to lowercase and to uppercase.
4. Use an enhanced **for** loop to iterate over its characters (use **toCharArray()**) and display each of them tab separated. Throw a line feed after this display.
5. Display whether it **startsWith** a **String** of your choosing.
6. Display whether it **endsWith** a **String** of your choosing.
7. Use **indexOf** to display the position in the **String** of the first occurrence of a character that you know is in the **String**, and also for a character that you know is not in the **String**.
8. Concatenate the 'name' with a surname of your choice to make a variable called '**fullname**' preferably with a space in the middle, then display this **fullname**. Concatenation is ok if it is all done in one statement.

## Part 3 Using StringBuilder

1. Back in **main()**, create a **StringBuilder** object called '**sb**'. Use the constructor that allows you to initialise the object to contain the **String** "Bruce Springsteen<space>".  
  
(You can use the name of your favourite artist instead!)
2. Now use the **append()** instance method of **StringBuilder** to append exactly the text "is the artist ever" (no error in that!).
3. Use the **toString()** method of the **StringBuilder** to produce a string that you can display to see the current value of the **StringBuilder**.  
  
You are looking at a strange sentence that needs some amending.
4. Now we would like you to **insert()** an adjective in front of the word "artist". Words like "greatest" obviously spring to mind, but make your own choice.
5. Now use the **replace()** method of **StringBuilder** to replace the word "artist" with a noun of your own choice. e.g "rock singer". Display the final result.

\*\* End \*\*

