ject Sort Example (Comparable And

ECTIONS

sort an ArrayList of Objects by property using **comparable** and
oking for sorting a simple ArrayList of String or Integer then you

and ArrayList<Integer>
ding order

method to sort a simple array list. However if the ArrayList is
case you have two options for sorting- **comparable and**
g through the example of them, let's see what's the output when
vithout implementing any of these interfaces.

nparable and comparator?

ve a Student class which has properties like Student name, roll

```
ng studentname, int studentage) {

name;
```

```
ge;


{


ng studentname) {
ame;




o) {




tudentage) {
e;
```

Student Object. We do it like this –

```
 args[]){
list = new ArrayList<Student>();
t(223, "Chaitanya", 26));
t(245, "Rahul", 24));
t(209, "Ajeet", 32));
```

```
st);

st){
println(str);
```

on the List of Objects and boom! I got the the error message like

```
g.Error: Unresolved compilation problem:
nod sort(List) of type Collections is not applicable for the
 type Student is not a valid substitute for the bounded parameter
in(Details.java:11)
```

od on an ArrayList of Objects which actually doesn't work until
arable and Comparator.

e importance of these interfaces. Let's see how to use them to get

bject> with Comparable

List<Student> based on the student Age property. This is how it
nparable interface and then Override the **compareTo** method.

```
parable {


ng studentname, int studentage) {

ame;
e;


e as the above example
```

```
mparestu) {
mparestu).getStudentage();

areage;

like this */
udentage;



 + ", name=" + studentname + ", age=" + studentage + "]";
```

ons.sort on ArrayList

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ing args[]){
list = new ArrayList<Student>();
t(223, "Chaitanya", 26));
t(245, "Rahul", 24));
t(209, "Ajeet", 32));

st);

st){
println(str);
```

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6]
```

need Comparator anymore?

by the same class whose objects are sorted so it binds you with

ost of the cases but in case you want to have more than way of
ld use comparators. Read more about them here:

ct> multiple properties with Comparator

l of Comparator for sorting.

```
ng studentname, int studentage) {

ame;
e;


e as the above examples

st by Student Name*/
t> StuNameComparator = new Comparator<Student>() {

s1, Student s2) {
.getStudentname().toUpperCase();
.getStudentname().toUpperCase();


areTo(StudentName2);


mpareTo(StudentName1);


st by roll no*/
t> StuRollno = new Comparator<Student>() {

s1, Student s2) {
```

```
no();
no();

 + ", name=" + studentname + ", age=" + studentage + "]";

ing args[]){
list = new ArrayList<Student>();
t(101, "Zues", 26));
t(505, "Abey", 24));
t(809, "Vignesh", 32));

nt Name*/
ent Name Sorting:");
st, Student.StuNameComparator);

st){
println(str);

perty*/
Num Sorting:");
st, Student.StuRollno);
st){
println(str);
```

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says that student is not an abstract class and doesn't override
ator even i used same codes with yours

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the compareto method "method doesnot override or
a supertype" when i replace(object o)with (Student

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ame error, even after i copy paste this same syntax. There is
ne way we are overriding the method.

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issue and I realize that Comparable interface assume Object

(Object comparestu) as parameter when overriding compareTo
need to make sure comparestu is of type Student,by casting:
e able to access getStudentage method.
d by specifying the parameter of Comparable interface when
in our case. (Student comparestu)will be compareTo
o cast at this line: int
getStudentage();

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nd great explanation…

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orgot to specify the type…

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pe is mentioned, he doesn't need to typecase inside the
oz he's already getting the argument as Student.

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you print out an object with the highest value of one of their

t the name of the student with the highest age from an array
lo you do that?

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one field in a custom object. Can you advise on how to sort by

nen sort by name then...

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3OGBA for the clarification!

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e nd comparator concepts

ys

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nt to sort for multiple values like first by age then by name

ome objects , call these mehtods of sorting in order in which

Comparator() {

in lhs, Campain rhs) {

;

;

rmat = new SimpleDateFormat("yyyy-MM-dd hh:mm:ss");

se(lhs.getDatetime());

se(rhs.getDatetime());

{

<= rhsDate.getTime() ? -1 : 1;
lhsDate.getTime())

() < lhsDate.getTime() ? -1 : 1;
(lhsDate);

ain for sorting

ays
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e description. I want to ask something 1. Is comparable used
an integer property ?? because in other threads it can be used
pe as well and its working.

rbles compareTO()method here is taking Student object as
king when i tried, although when passing only base Object
dent from it works well.

ct obj){

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ead. Thank you very much.

says
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th SAME NAME but different Roll no and want to sort
en roll no ?

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Sorting will give an error :-
d does not override the abstract method compareTo(Object) in

ange the line
ent comparestu) {
ram as :-
ct comparestu) {

ecute. and output will come.
, age=24]
nya, age=26]
age=32]

ys
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problem since many day finally I did change accordingly your

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utorial.

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pe using Comparable.

ent st) {
To(st.name);

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rface .. You can sort on any field like name or tag etc... other

tation of compareTo method like

ent st) {

areTo(student.getStudentName());

u can call

ent of Comparator interface...

ngh says
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topic. Just a little correction, As you highlighted, Using
ustom object only based on integer type. This is not correct, We
String base also, Like you shared Student Object above,
age, Let me show compareTo method performing sort based on

ent compareStudent) {
To(compareStudent.name);

ort Student object based on name (String Type).

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