



# Unit 5

# Object Oriented Programming



# Syllabus

- Classes and objects: concepts of classes and objects
- Declaring objects, assigning object reference variables
- methods, constructors, access control, garbage collection
- usage of static with data and methods
- usage of final with data
- overloading methods and constructors.
- parameter passing - call by value, recursion
- nested classes.



# Class:

- A blueprint or a template for creating objects. It defines the structure (**data/attributes**) and **behavior** (methods) that all objects of that class will have.
- Think of it as a cookie cutter. It defines the shape, but it's not the cookie itself
- **Object:** An instance of a class. It is a concrete, living entity created from the class blueprint. Each object has its own unique set of attribute values.
- Think of the actual cookies you bake using the cookie cutter. Each cookie is an object.

# Analogy: The Blueprint and the House

- **Class = Architectural Blueprint**
- Defines the general design: number of bedrooms, bathrooms, square footage, materials to be used.
- It's a plan; it doesn't occupy physical space.
- **Object = Actual House**
- A specific, physical house built according to the blueprint.
- Each house (object) has its own unique characteristics: address, color, owner.



# Defining a Class



- Syntax (General)
  - `class ClassName { ... }`
- Class Members
  - Attributes (Data/Fields/Variables): Represent the state or characteristics of an object.
    - Example: `string name;; int age;`
  - Methods (Functions): Represent the behavior or actions an object can perform.
    - Example: `void walk(); void speak();`



```
1 class Dog {  
2     // Attributes  
3     String name;  
4     String breed;  
5     int age;  
6  
7     // Methods  
8     void bark() {  
9         // code to make the dog bark  
10    }  
11  
12    void wagTail() {  
13        // code to make the dog wag its tail  
14    }  
15 }
```



# Declaring Object Reference Variables

- An object variable doesn't hold the object itself, but rather a **reference** to the object in memory.
- It's like having a remote control (the variable) that points to the TV (the object).
- **Syntax:**
  - `ClassName objectReferenceVariable;`
- **Example:**
  - `Dog myDog;`
  - At this point, `myDog` is null. It's a variable that can hold a `Dog` object reference, but it's not pointing to any object yet.

# Creating an Object: The new Keyword

- The **new** keyword is used to instantiate (create an instance of) a class.
- It allocates memory for the new object and returns a reference to that memory location.
- Syntax:
  - `new ClassName();`



# Assigning Object Reference Variables

- To make a reference variable point to a newly created object, you combine declaration and instantiation.
- Syntax:
  - `ClassName objectName = new ClassName();`
- Example:
  - `Dog myDog = new Dog();`
  - This statement does two things:
    - It creates a new Dog object in memory.
    - It assigns the memory address of this new object to the `myDog` variable.





# Accessing Object Members

- Once an object is created, you can access its attributes and methods using the dot operator (.).
- Syntax:
- objectName.attributeName;
- objectName.methodName();
- Example (on slide):
  - myDog.name = "Fido";
  - myDog.age = 3;
  - myDog.bark();

```
1 class Dog {  
2     String name;  
3     int age;  
4  
5     void bark() {  
6         System.out.println(name + " says Woof!");  
7     }  
8 }  
9  
10 public class Main {  
11     Run | Debug  
12     public static void main(String[] args) {  
13         // Declaring an object reference variable  
14         Dog myDog;  
15  
16         // Instantiating a new Dog object and assigning the reference  
17         myDog = new Dog();  
18  
19         // Setting the object's attributes  
20         myDog.name = "Buddy";  
21         myDog.age = 5;  
22  
23         // Accessing the object's method  
24         myDog.bark();  
25  
26         // Creating another object  
27         Dog anotherDog = new Dog();  
28         anotherDog.name = "Lucy";  
29         anotherDog.bark();  
30     }  
31 }
```

# A Complete Code Example



# Expected Output

- Buddy says Woof!
- Lucy says Woof!

# Methods in Java

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Understanding the concept, syntax, and practical use of methods

# Introduction to Methods

- A method is a block of code that performs a specific task.
- Purpose: reusability, better organization, and modular programming.
- Every method belongs to a class and can be called multiple times.

```
public class Greeting {  
    static void sayHello() {  
        System.out.println("Hello!");  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        sayHello(); // calling a method  
    }  
}
```



# Syntax of a Method

```
// General form  
<access-modifier> <return-type>  
<methodName>(<parameters>) {  
    // method body  
}
```

Access Modifier: public, private, etc.

Return Type: int, void, String, etc.

Method Name: meaningful and camelCase.

Parameters: data your method needs.

Body: statements to perform the task.

# Types of Methods

```
// Predefined (built-in) methods  
System.out.println("Hello World");  
double r = Math.sqrt(25);
```

```
// User-defined method  
public void greet() {  
    System.out.println("Hello, Java!");  
}
```

# Creating and Calling Methods

- ```
public class Demo {  
    void display() {  
        System.out.println("Welcome to Java Methods!");  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Demo obj = new Demo(); // create object  
        obj.display(); // call method  
    }  
}
```

# Method Parameters and Arguments

- Parameters: variables in the method signature.
- Arguments: actual values passed on call.

```
public class MathOps {  
    public int multiply(int a, int b) {  
        return a * b;  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        MathOps m = new MathOps();  
        int result = m.multiply(4, 5);  
        System.out.println("Result: " + result);  
    }  
}
```

# Return Type in Methods

- Methods may return a value, or use void if nothing is returned.
- Return type must match the value returned.

```
public class Student {  
    public String getName() {  
        return "Java Student";  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Student s = new Student();  
        System.out.println(s.getName());  
    }  
}
```

# Summary

- Methods group reusable logic and keep programs organized.
- Syntax: <access-modifier> <return-type> <name>(parameters) { body }
- Types: Predefined (library) and User-defined (your own).
- Practice writing small, focused methods with clear names.

# Constructors in Java

Understanding the concept, types, and use of constructors

# Introduction to Constructors

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- A constructor is a special method used to initialize objects.
- Same name as the class.
- Called automatically when an object is created.
- No return type (not even void).
- Analogy: Setting up a new phone when you first get it.

```
public class Demo {  
    Demo() {  
        System.out.println("Object Created");  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Demo obj = new Demo();  
    }  
}
```

# Syntax of a Constructor

- Name must match the class name.
- No return type.
- Can have parameters.
- Analogy: Filling out a 'Welcome Form' at a gym.

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```
// General form
ClassName(parameters) {
    // initialization code
}
```

# Types of Constructors

```
// Default Constructor  
public class Student {  
    String name;  
    Student() {  
        name = "Unknown";  
    }  
}
```

```
// Parameterized Constructor  
public class Student {  
    String name;  
    Student(String n) {  
        name = n;  
    }  
}
```

# Constructor Overloading

- Multiple constructors with different parameters.
- Allows creating objects in different ways.
- Analogy: Same car model in basic, sports, and luxury versions.

```
public class Box {  
    int length, width;  
    Box() {  
        length = width = 0;  
    }  
    Box(int l, int w) {  
        length = l;  
        width = w;  
    }  
}
```

# this() Constructor Call

- Calls one constructor from another.
- Avoids code repetition.
- Analogy: Meal combo order calling single-item orders.

```
public class Car {  
    String model;  
    Car() {  
        this("Unknown");  
    }  
    Car(String m) {  
        model = m;  
    }  
}
```

# Difference Between Constructor and Method

| Constructor                             | Method                             |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Same name as class                      | Any valid name                     |
| No return type                          | Must have a return type            |
| Called automatically on object creation | Called manually                    |
| Used for initialization                 | Used for functionality             |
| <b>Analogy:</b> Name at birth           | <b>Analogy:</b> Task later in life |

# Summary

- Constructors run when objects are created.
- Two types: Default and Parameterized.
- Can be overloaded for flexibility.
- `this()` can call another constructor.
- Constructors are like the birth certificate of an object.



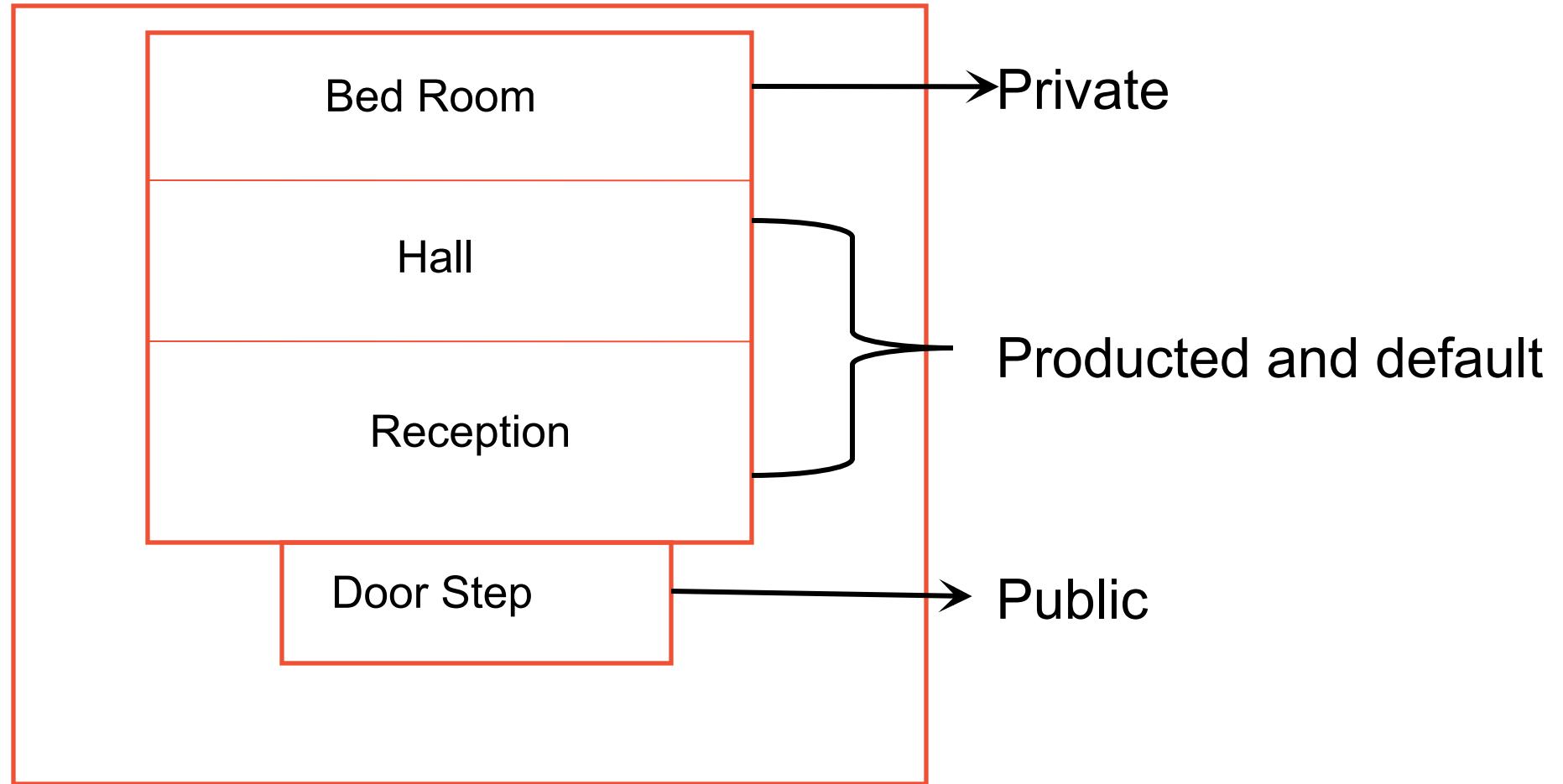
# Access Modifiers

Helps to restrict the scope of a class, constructor , variable , method or data member.

## Types

- Public
- Private
- Protected
- Default

# Real time example



# Real time application



# Public





# Public

- The public access modifier is specified using the keyword **public**.
- The members, methods and classes that are declared public can be accessed from anywhere.



```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 package one;
4 public class A
5 {
6     public void display()
7     {
8         System.out.println("Java");
9     }
10 }
11
12 import one.*;
13 class B
14 {
15     public static void main(String args[])
16     {
17         A obj = new A;
18         obj.display();
19     }
20 }
21
22
```

```
1 //Creating Packing countdigits
```

```
2  
3 package countdigits;  
4 public class First  
5 {  
6     public void no_of_digits()
```

```
7     {  
8         int count = 1;  
9         while(num>0){  
10             num=num/10;  
11             count++;
```

```
12         }  
13         System.out.print(count);
```

```
14     }  
15 }
```



```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 import countdigits.*;
4 class Second
5 {
6     public static void main(String args[])
7     {
8         First obj = new First();
9         obj.no_of_digits(456);
10    }
11 }
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# Private



A screenshot of a Facebook-style post interface. At the top, there are four tabs: Status, Photo, Place, and Life Event. Below the tabs is a text input field with the placeholder "What's on your mind?". Underneath the input field are three small icons: a person icon, a clock icon, and a location pin icon. To the right of these is a "Public" dropdown menu with a red oval highlighting the "Friends" and "Only Me" options. A "Post" button is located to the right of the dropdown. The bottom part of the interface shows a list of sharing options: Public, Friends, Only Me, Custom, Close Friends, Family, and See all lists... .

- Public
- Friends
- Only Me
- Custom
- Close Friends
- Family
- [See all lists...](#)



# Private

- The private access modifier is specified using the keyword **private**.
- The methods or data members declared as private are accessible only **within the class** in which they are declared.

```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 class A{
4     private double num = 100;
5     private int add(int a,int b){
6         return a+a;
7     }
8 }
9 public class Example{
10    public static void main(String args[]){
11        A obj = new A();
12        System.out.println(obj.num);
13        System.out.println(obj.add(10,20));
14    }
15 }
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```



```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 public class PersonalData {
4     private String name;
5     public String getName() {
6         return this.name;
7     }
8     public void setName(String name) {
9         this.format = name;
10    }
11 }
12 public class UnknownPerson {
13     Public static void main(String[] main) {
14         PersonalData d = new PersonalData();
15         d.setName("Mansoor");
16         System.out.println(d.getName());
17     }
18 }
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```



```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 class Data
4 {
5     private String name;
6     public String getName() {
7         return this.name;
8     }
9     public void setName(String name)
10    {
11        this.name = name;
12    }
13 }
14 public class Main
15 {
16     public static void main(String[] main)
17     {
18         Data d = new Data();
19         d.setName("Focus");
20         System.out.println(d.getName());
21     }
22 }
```



# Protected

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# Protected

- The protected access modifier is specified using the keyword **protected**.
- It can be accessed within the same package classes and sub-class of any other packages.



```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 package package1;
4 public class Product {
5     protected int multiplication(int a, int b){
6         return a*b;
7     }
8 }
9 package package2;
10 import package1.*;
11 class Test extends Product{
12     public static void main(String args[]){
13         Test obj = new Test();
14         System.out.println(obj.multiplication(11,10));
15     }
16 }
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```



# Default

- The data members, class or methods which are not declared using any access modifiers.
- It is accessible only within the same package.



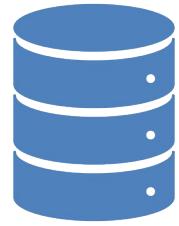
```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 class Logger
4 {
5     void message()
6     {
7         System.out.println("This is a default");
8     }
9 }
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```



```
1 //Predict the output
2
3 package package1;
4 public class Product {
5     int multiplication(int a, int b){
6         return a*b;
7     }
8 }
9 package package2;
10 import package1.*;
11 class Test {
12     public static void main(String args[]){
13         Product obj = new Product();
14         System.out.println(obj.multiplication(11,10));
15     }
16 }
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```

# Summary

| Access Modifiers             | Visibility                                                                  |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Public                       | Visible to All classes.                                                     |
| Private                      | Visible with in the class. It is not accessible outside the class.          |
| Protected                    | Visible to classes with in the package and the subclasses of other package. |
| No Access Modifier (Default) | Visible to the classes with the package                                     |



# Garbage Collection in Java

Automatic memory management in Java programs





# Introduction to Garbage Collection

# How Garbage Collection Works

```
public class Test {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Test t = new Test();  
        t = null; // Now eligible for GC  
    }  
}
```

# Eligibility for Garbage Collection

- An object is eligible if:
- 1. All references are null.
- 2. It is no longer reachable from any active thread or static reference.
- Analogy: Forgetting someone's phone number — you can't contact them.

```
Test t1 = new Test();
Test t2 = new Test();
t1 = t2; // old object referenced by t1 is
         eligible for GC
```

# Requesting Garbage Collection

- JVM decides when to run GC, but you can request it.
- Methods: System.gc() and Runtime.getRuntime().gc()
- Note: Requesting does not guarantee immediate execution.

```
public class GCExample {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.gc();  
        // or  
        Runtime.getRuntime().gc();  
    }  
}
```

# finalize() Method

- Called by GC before removing an object from memory.
- Used to release resources (rarely used in modern Java).
- Analogy: Saying goodbye before moving out of a house.

```
protected void finalize() {  
    System.out.println("Object is garbage collected");  
}
```

# Advantages of Garbage Collection

- Automates memory management.
- Reduces memory leaks.
- Frees developer from manual cleanup.
- Analogy: Automatic dishwasher cleaning without scrubbing.

# Summary

- GC cleans unused objects automatically.
- Objects are eligible when no references remain.
- You can request GC, but JVM decides when it runs.
- `finalize()` is called before object removal.



# Overloading Methods and Constructors in Java

Enhancing flexibility by defining multiple versions of the same method or constructor



# Introduction to Overloading

# Method Overloading

- Same method name, different parameter lists.
- Improves code readability and flexibility.
- Analogy: Like a vending machine serving coffee in small or large size depending on choice.

```
public class MathOps {  
    int add(int a, int b) {  
        return a + b;  
    }  
    double add(double a, double b) {  
        return a + b;  
    }  
}
```

# Rules for Method Overloading

- Must change:
- - Number of parameters, OR
- - Type of parameters, OR
- - Order of parameters
- Cannot overload just by changing return type.

# Constructor Overloading

- Same constructor name (class name), different parameter lists.
- Helps create objects in different ways.
- Analogy: Like buying the same phone model with different storage and color options.

```
public class Box {  
    int length, width;  
    Box() {  
        length = width = 0; }  
    Box(int l, int w) {  
        length = l;  
        width = w;}  
}
```

# Combining Method and Constructor Overloading

- A class can have both overloaded methods and constructors.

```
public class Car {  
    String model;  
    Car() { model = "Unknown"; }  
    Car(String m) { model = m; }  
    void start() { System.out.println("Starting..."); }  
    void start(String keyType) {  
        System.out.println("Starting with " + keyType);  
    }  
}
```

# Benefits of Overloading

- Improves code readability.
- Makes code more flexible and reusable.
- Allows multiple ways to perform a similar operation.
- Analogy: Like an elevator with multiple buttons to reach the same floor.

# Summary

- Overloading applies to both methods and constructors.
- Differentiated by parameter list, not return type alone.
- Enhances flexibility in object creation and method usage.
- Analogy: Multiple doors to the same room — choose the one that fits best.



# Nested Classes

# Introduction

- A nested class is a class defined within another class in Java.
- It helps logically group classes that are only used in one place, increasing encapsulation and readability.

## Benefits:

- Logical grouping of classes
- Better encapsulation (can access outer class members)
- Code readability and maintainability

# Syntax



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```
class Outer_class{
    //code
    class Inner_class{
        //code
    }
}
```

# Types

- **Static Nested Class** – Declared with the static keyword.
- **Non-static Inner Class** – Associated with an instance of the outer class.
  - **Local Inner Class** – Defined within a block (method, constructor, or block).
  - **Anonymous Inner Class** – Declared without a name, used for short-term usage.
  - **Member Inner Class** – declared inside the class but outside methods.

# Static Nested Classes

- A nested class declared with static keyword.
- Can access **only static** members of the outer class.
- Does not require an object of the outer class to be instantiated.



```
//Psuedo code
class Car {
    static class Engine {
        void start() {
            print("Engine started!");
        }
    }
}

Car.Engine e = new Car.Engine();
e.start();
```

# Non-Static Nested Classes

- Associated with an outer class object.
- Can access **all members** of the outer class (static, non-static, private).
- **Types**
  - **Local Inner Class** – Defined within a block (method, constructor, or block).
  - **Anonymous Inner Class** – Declared without a name, used for short-term usage.
  - **Member Inner Class** – Declared inside the class but outside methods.

# Local Inner Class

- Defined within a block (method, constructor, or block)
- Generally, it is defined within a method.

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class School {
    void conductExam() {
        // Local Inner Class (exists only inside this method)
        class Result {
            void showGrade(int marks) {
                if (marks >= 50) print("Pass");
                else print("Fail");
            }
        }

        // Using the local inner class
        Result r = new Result();
        r.showGrade(65);
    }
}

// Usage
School s = new School();
s.conductExam();
```

# Member Inner Class

- Defined within the class and outside of

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class Bank {
    private int balance = 1000;

    // Member Inner Class
    class Transaction {
        void withdraw(int amount) {
            balance -= amount;
            print("Withdrawn: " + amount);
            print("Remaining balance: " + balance);
        }
    }
}

// Usage
Bank b = new Bank();
Bank.Transaction t = b.new Transaction();
t.withdraw(200);
```

# Anonymous Inner Class

- No explicit name
- Used for one-time implementation

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class Animal {
    void sound() {
        System.out.println("Animal makes a sound");
    }
}

class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Animal dog = new Animal() { //Anonymous Inner Class
            void sound() {
                System.out.println("Dog barks!");
            }
        };

        dog.sound(); // Output: Dog barks!
    }
}
```



# Compression

| Parameter                            | Member Inner Class                                    | Local Inner Class                                                   | Anonymous Inner Class                                               | Static Nested Class                                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Definition</b>                    | Defined inside another class, but outside any method. | Defined inside a method, block, or constructor.                     | Nameless class declared and instantiated at the same time.          | Declared as static inside another class.              |
| <b>Instantiation</b>                 | Outer.Inner obj = outerObj.new Inner();               | Created inside the method where defined.                            | Interface obj = new Interface() { ... };                            | Outer.StaticInner obj = new Outer.StaticInner();      |
| <b>Access to Outer Class Members</b> | ✓ Can access all (including private).                 | ✓ Can access outer class + final/effectively final local variables. | ✓ Can access outer class + final/effectively final local variables. | ✗ Can only access static members directly.            |
| <b>Lifespan / Scope</b>              | Exists as long as the outer class object exists.      | Exists only during method/block execution.                          | Exists as long as the object reference exists.                      | Exists independently of outer class object.           |
| <b>Example / Analogy</b>             | Bank → Transaction (always tied to a Bank).           | School → Exam → Result (valid only during exam).                    | Button → onClickListener (one-time handler).                        | Car → Engine (Engine can exist without a Car object). |