Which members of the Circle class are encapsulated?

In an object-oriented design, **encapsulation** refers to restricting access to the internal state of an object and providing access via public methods. Assuming the Circle class follows this principle, the **radius** and other internal attributes (like diameter, area, etc.) would be encapsulated if they are declared as **private** and accessed via **public getter and setter methods**.

```
For example:

public class Circle {
   private double radius; // Encapsulated member

public double getRadius() {
    return radius;
   }

public void setRadius(double radius) {
    this.radius = radius;
   }
}
```

1. Here, the **radius** is encapsulated by making it private, and its value is accessed and modified through public methods (getRadius()) and setRadius()).

What name must the constructor of a class have?

The **constructor** of a class must have the **same name** as the class itself. Constructors do not have a return type, not even void. They are used to initialize objects when they are created.

Example:

```
public class Circle {
   private double radius;

// Constructor name matches the class name
   public Circle(double radius) {
      this.radius = radius;
   }
}
```

3. Explain the difference between the private and public access modifiers.

Private: A member (variable, method, or inner class) marked as **private** is only accessible within the class in which it is defined. It is not accessible from outside the class or by instances of other classes.

```
public class Circle {
   private double radius; // Only accessible within this class
}
```

Public: A member marked as **public** is accessible from anywhere in the program, meaning other classes can access the public member directly.

```
public class Circle {
  public double radius; // Accessible from anywhere
}
```

Consider the following code. Is the last statement valid or invalid? Explain.

```
Circle dot = new Circle(2);
dot.radius = 5;
```

4. Answer: The last statement is invalid.

Explanation:

- o If the radius variable in the Circle class is declared as **private**, it cannot be accessed directly outside the Circle class. So, trying to assign a value to dot.radius would result in a compilation error, because radius is private and cannot be accessed from outside the class.
- To make this valid, you would need to provide a public setter method to allow modification of the radius value.

For example, you could modify the Circle class like this:

```
public class Circle {
  private double radius;
  // Constructor
  public Circle(double radius) {
     this.radius = radius;
  }
  // Setter method to modify radius
  public void setRadius(double radius) {
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  }
  // Getter method to retrieve radius
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Then, the statement would be valid if modified as:
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dot.setRadius(5); // Use the setter method to change radius
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```

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