



## 3.13 Inner Classes

- ♦ When you define a class within another class then it is called as inner class or nested class.

### Types of Inner classes

- ♦ Instance Inner classes
- ♦ Static Inner classes
- ♦ Local Inner classes
- ♦ Anonymous classes

Ex:

```
class Outer{
    ...
    class Inner{
        ...
    }
}

class Outer{
    ...
    static class Inner{
        ...
    }
}

class Outer{
    ...
    void show(){
        class Inner{
            ...
        }
    }
}
```



## 3.13.1 Instance Inner Classes

- ♦ When you define a class within another class without static modifier is called as instance inner class.
- ♦ Syntax to create instance inner class object from outside the outer class:

```
Outer.Inner outob= new Outer().new Inner();
```

or

```
Outer outob = new Outer();
```

```
Outer.Inner inob=outob. new Inner();
```

### Lab499.java

```
class Outer{
int a=10;
static int b=20;
void m1(){
System.out.println("Outer - m1()");
}
static void m2(){
System.out.println("Outer - m2()");
}
class Inner{
int x=99;
final static int y=88;
void showIn(){
System.out.println("Inner - showIn()");
}
}

class Lab499{
public static void main(String as[]){
Outer myouter = new Outer();
myouter.m1();
myouter.m2();

//Inner in = new Inner();

Outer.Inner myinner1 = myouter.new Inner();
myinner1.showIn();

Outer.Inner myinner2 = new Outer().new
Inner();
myinner2.showIn();
}
}
```

### Lab500.java

```
class Outer{
int a=10;
static int b=20;
void m1(){
System.out.println("Outer - m1()");
}
static void m2(){
System.out.println("Outer - m2()");
}
class Inner{
int x=99;
final static int y=88;
void showIn(){
System.out.println("Inner - showIn()");
System.out.println(x);
System.out.println(y);
System.out.println(a);
System.out.println(b);
m1();
m2();
}
}

class Lab500{
public static void main(String as[]){

Outer.Inner myinner = new Outer().new Inner();
myinner.showIn();

}
}
```



## Lab501.java

```
class Outer{
int a=10;
static int b=20;

void m1(){
System.out.println("Outer - m1()");
Inner in=new Inner();
System.out.println(in.x);
System.out.println(in.y);
}

static void m2(){
System.out.println("Outer - m2()");
}

class Inner{
int x=99;
final static int y=88;
void showIn(){
System.out.println("Inner - showIn()");
m1();
m2();
}
}

class Lab501{
public static void main(String as[]){

Outer.Inner myinner = new Outer().new Inner();
myinner.showIn();

}
}
```

## Lab502.java

```
class Hello{
int a=10;

class Hai{
int a=20;
void show(){
System.out.println("Hai - show()");
int a=30;
System.out.println(a);
System.out.println(this.a);
System.out.println(Hai.this.a);//Special
//System.out.println(super.a);
System.out.println(Hello.this.a);//Special
}
}

}

class Lab502{
public static void main(String as[]){

Hello.Hai in = new Hello().new Hai();
in.show();

}
}
```



## 3.13.2 Static Inner Classes

- ♦ When you define a class within another class with static modifier is called as static inner class.
- ♦ Syntax to create static inner class object from outside the outer class:

`Outer.Inner outob= new Outer.Inner();`

### Lab503.java

```
class Outer{
int a=10;
static int b=20;
void m1(){
System.out.println("Outer - m1()");
}
static void m2(){
System.out.println("Outer - m2()");
}
static class Inner{
int x=99;
static int y=88;
void show(){
System.out.println("Inner - showIn()");
}
}

class Lab503{
public static void main(String as[]){

Outer.Inner myinner = new Outer.Inner();
myinner.show();

}
}
```

### Lab504.java

```
class Outer{
int a=10;
static int b=20;
void m1(){
System.out.println("Outer - m1()");
}
static void m2(){
System.out.println("Outer - m2()");
}
static class Inner{
int x=99;
static int y=88;
void show(){
System.out.println("Inner - showIn()");
System.out.println(x);
System.out.println(y);
//System.out.println(a);
System.out.println(b);
//m1();
m2();
}
}

class Lab504{
public static void main(String as[]){

Outer.Inner myinner = new Outer.Inner();
myinner.show();

}
}
```

**Lab505.java**

```

class Outer{
int a=10;
static int b=20;
void m1(){
System.out.println("Outer - m1()");
Inner in = new Inner();
in.show();
}
static void m2(){
System.out.println("Outer - m2()");
Inner in = new Inner();
in.show();
}
static class Inner{
int x=99;
static int y=88;
void show(){
System.out.println("Inner - showIn()");
}
}
}

```

```

class Lab505{
public static void main(String as[]){

Outer out = new Outer();
out.m1();
out.m2();

Outer.Inner myinner = new Outer.Inner();
myinner.show();

}
}

```

**3.13.3 Local Inner Classes**

- ♦ When you define a class within methods, blocks or constructors is called as local inner class.
- ♦ Local Inner class must be accessed from the same methods, blocks or constructors where it is defined.

**Lab506.java**

```

class Hello {

{
System.out.println("Hello - I.B");
class Inner{ }
}

static {
System.out.println("Hello - I.B");
class Inner{ }
}

Hello(){
System.out.println("Hello - Con");
class Inner{ }
}
}

```

```

void m1(){
System.out.println("Hello - I.M");
class Inner{ }

}

static void m2(){
System.out.println("Hello - S.M");
class Inner{ }

}

}

class Lab506{
public static void main(String as[]){
System.out.println("Hello Guys");
}
}

```



## Lab507.java

```
class Hello {  
  
    int a=10;  
    static int b=20;  
  
    void m1(){  
        System.out.println("m1 - begin");  
        class Inner{  
            int x=10;  
            final static int y=20;  
            void show(){  
                System.out.println("Inner - show()");  
                System.out.println(x);  
                System.out.println(y);  
                System.out.println(a);  
                System.out.println(b);  
            }  
        }  
        Inner inner = new Inner();  
        inner.show();  
  
        System.out.println("m1 - end");  
    }  
  
    void m2(){  
        //Inner inner = new Inner();  
    }  
}
```

```
class Lab507{  
    public static void main(String as[]){  
        //Inner inner = new Inner();  
        Hello h= new Hello();  
        h.m1();  
    }  
}
```

### 3.13.4 Anonymous Classes

- ♦ When you define a class without specifying the name then it is called as Anonymous class.
- ♦ When you want to declare and instantiate a class at the same time then you can use Anonymous class.
- ♦ Anonymous class definitions can be placed anywhere inside class, blocks, methods or constructors.
- ♦ Anonymous class can be used to write the sub class of an abstract class or an interface.



## Lab508.java

```
interface Shape{
void draw();
}

class Circle implements Shape{
public void draw(){
System.out.println("Circle - draw");
}
}

class Lab508{
public static void main(String as[]){

Shape shape1 = new Circle();
shape1.draw();

}
}
```

## Lab509.java

```
interface Shape{
void draw();
}

class Lab509{
public static void main(String as[]){

Shape shape1 = new Shape(){
public void draw(){
System.out.println("Annonymous1 Shape - draw");
}
};

shape1.draw();

Shape shape2 = new Shape(){
public void draw(){
System.out.println("Annonymous2 Shape - draw");
}
};

shape2.draw();
}
}
```

## Lab510.java

```
interface Shape{
void draw();
}

class Hello{
int a=99;
Shape myshape = new Shape(){
public void draw(){
System.out.println("Annonymous - draw");
}
};
}
```

```
class Lab510{
public static void main(String as[]){
Hello h= new Hello();
System.out.println(h.a);
System.out.println(h.myshape);
h.myshape.draw();

}
}
```



## SUMMARY

### Instance Inner classes

- 1) All the static and instance members of Outer class can be accessed inside the Instance inner class directly.
- 2) Instance Inner class members cannot be accessed from outer class directly.
- 3) Instance inner class members can be accessed from outer class with object of instance inner class.
- 4) You can use instance inner class name directly in Outer class.
- 5) You cannot use instance inner class name directly from outside the Outer class.
- 6) You can use following syntax to access instance inner class outside the outer class:
  1. Outer.Inner in = new Outer(). new Inner();
  - or
  2. Outer out = new Outer();  
Outer.Inner in = out. new Inner();
- 7) Instance inner class cannot contain static declarations i.e. you cannot define static variables or static methods inside the instance inner class.
- 8) Outer class can be either default or public.
- 9) Inner class can be private or protected or public or static.
- 10) Inner class can be abstract and you can use private and abstract combination with inner class.
- 11) Inner class can extend another inner class or it can implement another inner interface.
- 12) Inner class can be nested i.e. you can write inner class inside another inner class.
- 13) An interface can contain another inner interfaces or inner classes.
- 14) You can use this keyword with Outer class name to access the members of Outer class when the same members available in inner class and locally.

### Static Inner classes

- 15) Only static members of Outer class can be accessed inside the Static inner class directly.
- 16) Instance members of Outer class can be accessed with the Outer class object.
- 17) Static inner class can contain static declarations i.e. you can define static variables or static methods inside the Static inner class.
- 18) Static Inner class members cannot be accessed from outer class directly.
- 19) Static inner class members can be accessed from outer class with Class name or object of static inner class.
- 20) You can use static inner class name directly in Outer class.





- 21) You cannot use static inner class name directly from outside the Outer class.
- 22) Static inner class can contain inner interface.
- 23) You can use following syntax to access instance inner class outside the outer class:  
`Outer.Inner inob= new Outer.Inner();`

## Local Inner classes

- 24) When you are writing Local Inner Class inside the Instance method then you can access both instance and static members of Outer class.
- 25) When you are writing Local Inner Class inside the static method then you can access only static members of Outer class.
- 26) Local inner class cannot be static.
- 27) Local inner class cannot have static declarations.

## Anonymous Classes

- 28) You cannot define constructor for anonymous class because of no name.
- 29) You cannot define reference variable of anonymous class.
- 30) Anonymous class will be always subclass of an interface or a class.
- 31) We cannot create more than one object of anonymous class.
- 32) We can store object of anonymous class in super type reference variable. You can access only those members with that reference variable whose signature is available in super type.

## Object Creation Steps of Anonymous Class

```
Student stu = new Student()
{
    void reading(){
        ...
    }
};
```

The diagram illustrates the four steps of creating an anonymous class object:

1. Declaring reference variable of super class. (points to `Student stu`)
2. Writing anonymous class. (points to the curly braces `{ ... }`)
3. Creating object of anonymous class. (points to `new Student()`)
4. Storing that object to super class reference variable. (points to the assignment operator `=`)

1. Declaring reference variable of super class.
2. Writing anonymous class.
3. Creating object of anonymous class.
4. Storing that object to super class reference variable.



## Inner class naming conventions

<pre>class A{   class B{     class C {}   } }</pre>	<pre>class A{   static class B{     static class C {}   } }</pre>	<pre>class A{ {   class B{}   class C{} } void m1(){   class B{}   class D{} } }</pre>	<pre>class A{ } class B{   A ref1=new A();   A ref2=new A();   A ref3=new A(); }</pre>
<pre>A\$B\$C.class A\$B.class A.class</pre>	<pre>A\$B\$C.class A\$B.class A.class</pre>	<pre>A\$1B.class A\$1C.class A\$1D.class A\$2B.class A.class</pre>	<pre>A.class B\$1.class B\$2.class B\$3.class B.class</pre>

## Assignment #14

- Q1) What is inner class?
- Q2) What is nested class?
- Q3) What are the types of nested class available in java?
- Q4) What is Instance inner class?
- Q5) Can I access instance members of outer class from instance inner class directly?
- Q6) Can I access static members of outer class from instance inner class directly?
- Q7) Can I access members of inner class from outer class directly?
- Q8) Can I define instance members in instance inner class?
- Q9) Can I define static members in instance inner class?
- Q10) How to create object of instance inner class from outside the outer class?
- Q11) Can I declare final static variables inside the instance inner class?



- Q12) What are the allowed modifiers for outer class?**
- Q13) What are the allowed modifiers for inner class?**
- Q14) Can I define inner interfaces?**
- Q15) What is static inner class?**
- Q16) Can I access instance members of outer class from static inner class directly?**
- Q17) Can I access static members of outer class from static inner class directly?**
- Q18) Can I define instance members in static inner class?**
- Q19) Can I define static members in static inner class?**
- Q20) How to create object of static inner class from outside the outer class?**
- Q21) What is local inner class?**
- Q22) Can I define local inner class inside initialization blocks?**
- Q23) Can I define local inner class inside constructors?**
- Q24) Can I define local inner class inside methods?**
- Q25) Can I create the object of inner class from outside the block where it is declared?**
- Q26) What is anonymous class?**
- Q27) What is the use of anonymous class?**
- Q28) Can I write constructors inside the anonymous class?**
- Q29) What will be name provided by Java compiler for anonymous class?**



## Practice Test #14

Q.No	Question	Options	Answer
1	<pre>class A{     class B{} } class B{</pre>	<p>What are the class file generated</p> <p>A) Compilation Error B) A.class     B.class     A\$B.class C) A.class     B.class D) A\$B.class     A.class</p>	
2	<pre>class A{     class B{} } class A\$B{</pre>	<p>What are the class file generated</p> <p>A) Compilation Error B) A.class     B.class     A\$B.class C) A.class     B.class D) A\$B.class     A.class</p>	
3	<pre>class A{ } class A\$B{     int x=10; }  class Test1{     public static void main(String[] args){         A\$B ref=new A\$B();         System.out.println(ref.x);     } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) 10 C) Runtime Error D) None of above</p>	



4	<pre>class A{ static void show(){ B ref=new B(); System.out.println(ref.xy); }  class B{ int xy=99; } }  class Test4{ public static void main(String[] args){ new A().show(); } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) 99 C) Runtime Error D) None of above</p>	
5	<pre>class A{ static void show(){ B ref=new A().new B(); System.out.println(ref.xy); }  class B{ int xy=99; } }  class Test5{ public static void main(String[] args){ new A().show(); } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) 99 C) Runtime Error D) None of above</p>	



6	<pre>class A{ static int xy=99; static class B{ static{ System.out.println("B S.B"); } } } class Test6{ public static void main(String[] args){ System.out.println(A.xy); } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) B S.B 99 C) 99 D) Runtime Error E) None of above</p>	
7	<pre>class A{ int x=99; class B{ int y=88; } } class Test7{ public static void main(String[] args){ A ref=new A(); System.out.println(ref.x); System.out.println(ref.y); } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) 99 88 C) 88 99 D) Runtime Error E) None of above</p>	
8	<pre>class A{ int x=99; class B{ int y=88; } } class Test8{ public static void main(String[] args){ A.B ref=new A().new B(); System.out.println(ref.x); System.out.println(ref.y); } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) 99 88 C) 88 99 D) Runtime Error E) None of above</p>	



9	<pre>class A{     static int x=99;     static class B{         static int x=88;         void show(){             System.out.println(x);             System.out.println(A.this.x);         }     } }  class Test9{     public static void main(String[] args){         A.B ref=new A.B();         ref.show();     } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) 99 88 C) 88 99 D) Runtime Error E) None of above</p>	
10	<pre>class A{     static int x=99;     static class B{         static int x=88;         void show(){             System.out.println(x);             System.out.println(A.x);         }     } }  class Test10{     public static void main(String[] args){         A.B ref=new A.B();         ref.show();     } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) 99 88 C) 88 99 D) Runtime Error E) None of above</p>	



11	<pre>class A{   static class B{     static void show(){       System.out.println("OK");     }   } }  class Test11{   public static void main(String[] args){     A.B.show();   } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) OK C) Runtime Error D) None of above</p>	
12	<pre>interface In1{   class B{     static void show(){       System.out.println("OK");     }   } }  class Test12{   public static void main(String[] args){     In1.B.show();   } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) OK C) Runtime Error D) None of above</p>	
13	<pre>interface In1{   class B{     void show(){       System.out.println("OK");     }   } }  class Test13{   public static void main(String[] args){     In1.B.show();   } }</pre>	<p>A) Compilation Error B) OK C) Runtime Error D) None of above</p>	