

## **EXAMPLE 48: CREATING AN INHERITANCE HIERARCHY USING CHAINED PROTOTYPES**

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3 OBJECT  
CONSTRUCTO

BIRD

FLIGHTLESS  
BIRD

TURKEY

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`Turkey.prototype = new FlightlessBird();`

### 3 OBJECT CONSTRUCTO



```
function Bird() {  
  this.sayHello = function() {  
    console.log("I am a bird, of type = " +  
this.name);  
  }  
  this.fly = function() {  
    console.log("I am flying!!");  
  }  
}
```

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FlightlessBird.prototype = new Bird();
```

```
function FlightlessBird() {  
  this.fly = function() {  
    console.log("I can't fly, even though  
  }  
}
```

```
Turkey.prototype = new FlightlessBird();
```

```
function Turkey(){  
  this.name = "Turkey";  
}
```

ANY PROPERTY CALLED ON **Turkey** WILL FIRST LOOK  
INSIDE **Turkey**, THEN INSIDE **FlightlessBird**,  
AND THEN IN **Bird** (IN THAT ORDER)

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**THE PROPERTY `sayHello` APPEARS ONLY IN THE `Bird` OBJECT - SO IF THIS IS CALLED ON A `Turkey` OR `FlightlessBird` OBJECT, THIS VERSION WILL BE CALLED.**

TURKEY

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function Turkey(){  
  this.name =  
}
```

```
Turkey.prototype = new FlightlessBird()
```

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function FlightlessBird() {  
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  }  
}
```

**THE PROPERTY `fly` APPEARS BOTH IN THE `Bird` OBJECT AND IN THE `FlightlessBird` OBJECT - SO IF THIS IS CALLED ON A `Turkey` OR, THE `FlightlessBird` VERSION WILL BE CALLED.**