



# Using throws

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- If several methods of a class are probable to fire an exception, it becomes difficult to manage writing `try-catch` constructs in each method.
- This can be simplified by using `throws`.



# Using **throws**

- Used by method and constructor definitions which may fire exceptions but not willing to handle.
- Instructs the compiler to enforce the calling program to handle the exception (Checked Exceptions only).



# Using throws

```
public void readFile(String fileName) throws  
FileNotFoundException {  
    //Statements  
}  
public void openFile(String fileName) {  
    readFile(fileName); //ERROR  
}
```



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- In most cases, JRE is responsible for firing an exception; but sometimes it might be necessary to fire an exception forcefully.
- This can be accomplished by using `throw` clause.



# Using throw

- Syntax: `throw <Throwable>`
- E.g.

```
if(<condition>) {  
    Exception ex = new Exception();  
    throw ex;  
}
```



## Using **throw**

- Sometimes, it becomes necessary to create a domain specific exception and throw it explicitly.
- Such exceptions are known as User Defined exceptions.





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- User defined exceptions are generally customized by creating a class that inherits either `Exception` or `RuntimeException`.

- E,g,

```
public class LowBalanceException  
extends Exception {...}
```



## Using **throw**

- Once, a user defined exception class is created it can be used to raise an exception forcefully depending upon the condition.



## Using throw

```
public void withdraw(float amount)
throws LowBalanceException {
    if (balance < amount) {
        String msg = "Low Balance!!";
        LowBalanceException lx =
            new LowBalanceException(msg);
        throw lx;
    }
}
```