

1 What is the role of static keyword in the context of memory management?

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- The static keyword makes a member (method, variable) belong to the class rather than an instance.
- Static members are stored in a common memory area and shared across all instances of the class, reducing memory usage for that member.

2 Can static methods be overloaded and overridden in Java? How static variables shared across multiple instances of a class?

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- Overloading: Static methods can be overloaded (multiple methods with the same name but different parameters)
- Overriding: Static methods cannot be overridden because they are bound at compile time (class-level, not instance-level)

Static variables are stored in class memory meaning all instances of the class share the same copy of the static variable

3 What is the significance of the final keyword in java?

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Final variable: Value cannot be changed after initialization.

Final method: Cannot be overridden by subclasses.

Final class: Cannot be subclassed

4 What are narrowing and widening conversion in java?

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• widening: Implicit conversion from a smaller data type to a larger one (e.g. int to double)

• Narrowing: Explicit conversion from a larger data type to a smaller one, potentially causing data loss (e.g. double to int)

5 Provide examples of narrowing and widening conversions between primitive data types.

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• widening:

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int x = 5;
double y = x;
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• Narrowing:

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double d = 9.8;
int i = (int) d;
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6 How does Java handle potential loss of precision during narrowing conversions?

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- Java requires explicit casting for narrowing conversions to make the programmer aware of the potential loss of precision.
- The extra fractional part is truncated (not rounded)

7 Explain the concept of automatic widening conversion in Java.

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- widening conversions happen automatically when assigning a smaller data type to a larger one (e.g. int to long, float to double).
- Java handle this without explicit casting.

8 What are the implications of narrowing and widening conversions on type compatibility and data loss?

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- widening : Safe and compatible, no data loss.
- Narrow : may lead to data loss and requires explicit casting due to potential loss of information