

## The Java™ Tutorials

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**Trail:** Learning the Java Language

**Lesson:** Classes and Objects

*The Java Tutorials have been written for JDK 8. Examples and practices described in this page don't take advantage of improvements introduced in later releases.*

### More on Classes

This section covers more aspects of classes that depend on using object references and the `dot` operator that you learned about in the preceding sections on objects:

- Returning values from methods.
- The `this` keyword.
- Class vs. instance members.
- Access control.

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