

★ 30 Core Java Important Questions with Full Pattern

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◆ 1. What is Abstraction?

Detailed Definition

Abstraction is the concept of hiding implementation details and showing only essential functionality to the user. It focuses on *what object does* instead of *how it does it*.



Short Answer

Abstraction hides internal implementation and exposes only required features.



Example

Java

```
abstract class Vehicle {  
    abstract void start();  
  
    void fuel() {  
        System.out.println("Vehicle needs fuel");  
    }  
}  
  
class Car extends Vehicle {  
    void start() {  
        System.out.println("Car starts with key");  
    }  
}  
  
public class Test {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Vehicle v = new Car();  
        v.start();  
        v.fuel();  
    }  
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Reduces complexity
 - Used in large systems
 - Used when implementation should be hidden
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◆ 2. Difference Between Abstract Class and Interface

Detailed Definition

Abstract class can have abstract and concrete methods. Interface contains only method declarations (except default/static methods).

Short Answer

Abstract class = Partial abstraction

Interface = Full abstraction (mostly)

Example

Java

```
abstract class Animal {  
    abstract void sound();  
}  
  
interface Flyable {  
    void fly();  
}  
  
class Bird extends Animal implements Flyable {  
    void sound() {  
        System.out.println("Bird chirps");  
    }  
  
    public void fly() {  
        System.out.println("Bird flies");  
    }  
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Abstract class → When sharing common code
 - Interface → When multiple capabilities required
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◆ 3. What is Functional Interface?

Detailed Definition

An interface having only one abstract method is called Functional Interface.

Short Answer

Single abstract method interface.

Example

```
Java
@FunctionalInterface
interface Calculator {
    int add(int a, int b);
}

public class Test {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Calculator c = (a, b) -> a + b;
        System.out.println(c.add(5, 3));
    }
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Used in Lambda Expressions
 - Used in Stream API
 - Used in Event Handling
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◆ 4. What is Marker Interface?

Detailed Definition

Marker interface is an empty interface used to provide special instructions to JVM.

Short Answer

Interface without methods.

Example

```
Java
import java.io.Serializable;

class Student implements Serializable {
    int id = 10;
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Enables special behavior
 - Example → Serializable, Cloneable
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◆ 5. Internal Working of HashMap

Detailed Definition

HashMap stores data in key-value pairs using hashing technique. It converts key into hashCode and stores data in bucket.

Short Answer

HashMap uses hashing and bucket storage.

Example

```
Java
import java.util.*;
```

```
public class Test {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        HashMap<Integer, String> map = new HashMap<>();  
        map.put(1, "Java");  
        map.put(2, "Spring");  
  
        System.out.println(map.get(1));  
    }  
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Fast data retrieval
 - Used in caching
 - Used in configuration storage
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◆ 6. What is Serialization and Deserialization?

Detailed Definition

Serialization converts object into byte stream. Deserialization converts byte stream back to object.

Short Answer

Object → Byte Stream → Object

Example

```
Java  
import java.io.*;  
  
class Student implements Serializable {  
    int id = 1;  
}
```

```
public class Test {  
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {  
  
        Student s = new Student();  
  
        ObjectOutputStream oos =  
            new ObjectOutputStream(new  
FileOutputStream("file.txt"));  
        oos.writeObject(s);  
  
        ObjectInputStream ois =  
            new ObjectInputStream(new  
FileInputStream("file.txt"));  
        Student s2 = (Student) ois.readObject();  
  
        System.out.println(s2.id);  
    }  
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Used in file storage
- Used in network communication
- Used in session storage

◆ 7. What is Synchronization?

Detailed Definition

Synchronization controls multiple threads accessing shared resources to prevent data inconsistency.

Short Answer

Thread control mechanism.

Example

```
Java
class Counter {
    int count = 0;

    synchronized void increment() {
        count++;
    }
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Prevent race condition
 - Used in multi-threading
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◆ 8. What is Encapsulation?

Definition

Binding data and methods into single unit.

Short Answer

Data hiding using getters and setters.

Example

```
Java
class Student {
    private int id;

    public void setId(int id) {
        this.id = id;
    }

    public int getId() {
```

```
        return id;
    }
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Security
 - Data control
-

◆ 9. What is Inheritance?

Definition

Acquiring properties of parent class.

Short Answer

Code reuse mechanism.

Example

```
Java
class Animal {
    void eat() {
        System.out.println("Eating");
    }
}

class Dog extends Animal {
    void bark() {
        System.out.println("Barking");
    }
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Reusability
 - Extending functionality
-

◆ 10. What is Polymorphism?

Definition

Same method behaves differently.

Short Answer

Many forms.

Example

```
Java
class Animal {
    void sound() {
        System.out.println("Animal sound");
    }
}

class Dog extends Animal {
    void sound() {
        System.out.println("Dog barks");
    }
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Runtime flexibility
 - Method overriding
-

◆ 11. What is Method Overloading?

Definition

Same method name with different parameters.

Short Answer

Compile-time polymorphism.

Example

Java

```
class Calc {  
    int add(int a, int b) { return a+b; }  
    int add(int a, int b, int c) { return a+b+c; }  
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Improves readability
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◆ 12. What is Method Overriding?

Definition

Subclass modifies parent method.

Short Answer

Runtime polymorphism.

Example

Java

```
class Parent {  
    void show() {  
        System.out.println("Parent");  
    }  
}
```

```
class Child extends Parent {  
    void show() {  
        System.out.println("Child");  
    }  
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Modify parent behavior
-

◆ 13. What is Constructor?

■ Definition

Special method used to initialize object.

📝 Short Answer

Runs when object is created.

💻 Example

Java

```
class Student {  
    Student() {  
        System.out.println("Constructor called");  
    }  
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Object initialization
-

◆ 14. What is this Keyword?

Definition

Refers to current object.

Short Answer

Current object reference.

Example

```
Java
class Student {
    int id;

    Student(int id) {
        this.id = id;
    }
}
```

Why / Where / When Used

- Avoid variable confusion
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◆ 15. What is super Keyword?

Definition

Refers to parent class object.

Short Answer

Calls parent class members.

Example

```
Java
class Parent {
    Parent() {
        System.out.println("Parent Constructor");
    }
}

class Child extends Parent {
    Child() {
        super();
    }
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Access parent methods
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◆ 16. What is Static Keyword?

📘 Definition

Belongs to class rather than object.

📝 Short Answer

Shared memory.

💻 Example

```
Java
class Test {
    static int count = 0;
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Memory optimization
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◆ 17. What is Final Keyword?

Definition

Prevents modification.

Short Answer

Constant or restricted inheritance.

Example

Java

```
final class Test { }
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Security
 - Immutable values
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◆ 18. What is Exception Handling?

Definition

Mechanism to handle runtime errors.

Short Answer

Error control.

Example

Java

```
try {
```

```
    int a = 10/0;
} catch(Exception e) {
    System.out.println("Error handled");
}
```

★ Why / Where / When Used

- Prevent program crash
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◆ 19. Checked vs Unchecked Exception

📘 Definition

Checked → Compile time

Unchecked → Runtime

💻 Example

Java

```
// Checked
FileReader f = new FileReader("abc.txt");

// Unchecked
int a = 10/0;
```

★ Usage

- Checked → External resources
 - Unchecked → Logic errors
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◆ 20. What is Multithreading?

📘 Definition

Running multiple tasks simultaneously.

Example

```
Java
class MyThread extends Thread {
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Thread running");
    }
}
```

Usage

- Performance improvement
-

◆ 21. What is Runnable Interface?

Example

```
Java
class MyTask implements Runnable {
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Task running");
    }
}
```

Usage

- Thread creation alternative
-

◆ 22. What is String Pool?

Definition

Memory optimization technique.

Example

```
Java
String s1 = "Java";
String s2 = "Java";
System.out.println(s1 == s2);
```

◆ 23. Difference Between String, StringBuilder, StringBuffer

Example

```
Java
StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder("Java");
sb.append(" World");
```

Usage

- String → Immutable
- StringBuffer → Thread safe
- StringBuilder → Fast

◆ 24. What is Collection Framework?

Definition

Set of classes and interfaces for storing data.

Example

```
Java
List<String> list = new ArrayList<>();
```

◆ 25. Difference Between List and Set

★ List

- Allows duplicates

★ Set

- Unique elements
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◆ 26. Difference Between ArrayList and LinkedList

★ ArrayList

- Fast retrieval

★ LinkedList

- Fast insertion
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◆ 27. What is Comparable?

💻 Example

```
Java
class Student implements Comparable<Student> {
    int id;

    public int compareTo(Student s) {
        return this.id - s.id;
    }
}
```

◆ 28. What is Comparator?

 **Example**

Java

```
Collections.sort(list, (a,b) -> a.id - b.id);
```

◆ 29. What is Stream API? **Example**

Java

```
list.stream()
    .filter(x -> x > 5)
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

◆ 30. What is Lambda Expression? **Definition**

Short way to write anonymous function.

 **Example**

Java

```
Runnable r = () -> System.out.println("Lambda Running");
```

 **Usage**

- Functional programming
 - Stream operations
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