

## Arrays Class in Java

The **Arrays** class is a utility class in the java.util package that provides static methods to manipulate arrays (like searching, sorting, filling, comparing, etc.). It works with **normal arrays** (not collections like ArrayList).

### Import Statement

```
java
import java.util.Arrays;
```

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### Key Characteristics

- **Static methods** - call directly using class name: Arrays.methodName()
  - Works with **primitive arrays** (int[], double[], etc.) and **object arrays** (String[], Integer[], etc.)
  - Does **not** work with ArrayList or other collections
  - Very useful for common array operations
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### 1. Arrays.sort() - Sort an Array

Sorts the array in **ascending order**.

#### Sorting Primitive Arrays

```
java
import java.util.Arrays;

public class ArraysSortDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Integer array
        int[] numbers = {50, 20, 80, 10, 40};

        System.out.println("Before sorting: " + Arrays.toString(numbers));

        // [50, 20, 80, 10, 40]
```

```
Arrays.sort(numbers);
```

```
System.out.println("After sorting: " + Arrays.toString(numbers));
```

```
// [10, 20, 40, 50, 80] - SORTED!
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

### **Sorting String Arrays**

```
java
```

```
String[] names = {"Diana", "Alice", "Charlie", "Bob"};
```

```
System.out.println("Before: " + Arrays.toString(names));
```

```
// [Diana, Alice, Charlie, Bob]
```

```
Arrays.sort(names);
```

```
System.out.println("After: " + Arrays.toString(names));
```

```
// [Alice, Bob, Charlie, Diana] - Alphabetically sorted!
```

### **Sorting in Descending Order**

For object arrays (like Integer, String), use Collections.reverseOrder():

```
java
```

```
Integer[] numbers = {50, 20, 80, 10, 40};
```

```
// Sort in descending order
```

```
Arrays.sort(numbers, Collections.reverseOrder());
```

```
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(numbers));
```

```
// [80, 50, 40, 20, 10] - Descending order!
```

**Note:** This doesn't work with primitive arrays (int[], double[]). You must use wrapper classes (Integer[], Double[]).

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## 2. Arrays.binarySearch() - Search for an Element

Searches for a specified value in the array using **binary search algorithm**.

**⚠ IMPORTANT:** The array **MUST be sorted** before using binarySearch(), otherwise results are unpredictable!

### Returns:

- **Index** of the element if found
- **Negative value** if not found (specifically: -(insertion\_point) - 1)

### Basic Usage

```
java
```

```
import java.util.Arrays;
```

```
public class BinarySearchDemo {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        int[] numbers = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70};  
  
        // Array is already sorted - required for binarySearch!  
  
        // Search for existing element  
  
        int index = Arrays.binarySearch(numbers, 40);  
  
        System.out.println("Index of 40: " + index); // 3  
  
        // Search for another element  
  
        index = Arrays.binarySearch(numbers, 70);  
  
        System.out.println("Index of 70: " + index); // 6  
    }  
}
```

```

        // Search for non-existent element
        index = Arrays.binarySearch(numbers, 35);
        System.out.println("Index of 35: " + index); // Negative value (not found)
    }
}

```

### **Example with Unsorted Array (WRONG!)**

java

```
int[] unsorted = {50, 20, 80, 10, 40};
```

```

// DON'T DO THIS - array is not sorted!
int index = Arrays.binarySearch(unsorted, 20);
System.out.println(index); // Unpredictable result!

```

```

// CORRECT WAY - sort first!
Arrays.sort(unsorted);
index = Arrays.binarySearch(unsorted, 20);
System.out.println("Index of 20: " + index); // 1 (correct)

```

### **Complete Example with Sort + Search**

java

```
import java.util.Arrays;
```

```

public class SortAndSearch {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int[] numbers = {50, 20, 80, 10, 40, 60, 30};

        System.out.println("Original: " + Arrays.toString(numbers));
        // [50, 20, 80, 10, 40, 60, 30]
    }
}

```

```

// Step 1: Sort the array (REQUIRED for binarySearch)
Arrays.sort(numbers);
System.out.println("Sorted: " + Arrays.toString(numbers));
//[10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80]

// Step 2: Now we can use binarySearch
int searchValue = 40;
int index = Arrays.binarySearch(numbers, searchValue);

if (index >= 0) {
    System.out.println(searchValue + " found at index: " + index);
    // 40 found at index: 3
} else {
    System.out.println(searchValue + " not found!");
}

// Search for non-existent element
searchValue = 45;
index = Arrays.binarySearch(numbers, searchValue);
System.out.println("Search for " + searchValue + ": " + index);
// Negative value (e.g., -5)
}
}

```

### **Binary Search with Strings**

```
java
```

```
String[] names = {"Alice", "Bob", "Charlie", "Diana", "Eve"};
```

```
// Array must be sorted (already is)
```

```
int index = Arrays.binarySearch(names, "Charlie");  
System.out.println("Index of Charlie: " + index); // 2
```

```
index = Arrays.binarySearch(names, "Frank");  
System.out.println("Index of Frank: " + index); // Negative (not found)
```

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### 3. Arrays.fill() - Fill Array with a Value

Fills the array with the specified value.

#### Fill Entire Array

java

```
import java.util.Arrays;
```

```
public class FillDemo {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        // Create array  
        int[] numbers = new int[5];  
  
        System.out.println("Before fill: " + Arrays.toString(numbers));  
        // [0, 0, 0, 0, 0] - default values  
  
        // Fill entire array with value 10  
        Arrays.fill(numbers, 10);  
  
        System.out.println("After fill: " + Arrays.toString(numbers));  
        // [10, 10, 10, 10, 10]  
    }  
}
```

#### Fill with Different Values

java

*// String array*

String[] colors = new String[6];

Arrays.fill(colors, "Red");

System.out.println(Arrays.toString(colors));

*// [Red, Red, Red, Red, Red, Red]*

*// Double array*

double[] prices = new double[4];

Arrays.fill(prices, 99.99);

System.out.println(Arrays.toString(prices));

*// [99.99, 99.99, 99.99, 99.99]*

*// Boolean array*

boolean[] flags = new boolean[5];

Arrays.fill(flags, true);

System.out.println(Arrays.toString(flags));

*// [true, true, true, true, true]*

### **Practical Use Cases for fill()**

java

*// Initialize array with specific value*

int[] scores = new int[10];

Arrays.fill(scores, 100); *// All students get 100 initially*

System.out.println(Arrays.toString(scores));

*// [100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100]*

*// Reset array*

int[] data = {5, 10, 15, 20};

```
Arrays.fill(data, 0); // Reset all to 0  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(data)); // [0, 0, 0, 0]
```

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## **Additional Useful Arrays Methods**

### **4. Arrays.toString() - Convert Array to String**

Converts array to readable string format (we've been using this already!):

```
java  
  
int[] numbers = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50};  
  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(numbers));  
  
//[10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
String[] names = {"Alice", "Bob", "Charlie"};  
  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(names));  
  
//[Alice, Bob, Charlie]
```

#### **Without Arrays.toString():**

```
java  
  
int[] arr = {10, 20, 30};  
  
System.out.println(arr); // [I@15db9742 - Memory address! Not readable!]
```

### **5. Arrays.equals() - Compare Two Arrays**

Checks if two arrays are equal (same elements in same order):

```
java  
  
int[] arr1 = {10, 20, 30};  
  
int[] arr2 = {10, 20, 30};  
  
int[] arr3 = {10, 30, 20};  
  
  
  
System.out.println(Arrays.equals(arr1, arr2)); // true (same)  
System.out.println(Arrays.equals(arr1, arr3)); // false (different order)
```

### **6. Arrays.copyOf() - Copy Array**



Creates a copy of the array:

```
java
```

```
int[] original = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50};
```

```
// Copy entire array
```

```
int[] copy = Arrays.copyOf(original, original.length);
```

```
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(copy));
```

```
// [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
```

```
// Copy first 3 elements
```

```
int[] partial = Arrays.copyOf(original, 3);
```

```
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(partial));
```

```
// [10, 20, 30]
```

## **7. Arrays.asList() - Convert Array to List**

Converts array to a List (useful for using collection methods):

```
java
```

```
String[] names = {"Alice", "Bob", "Charlie"};
```

```
List<String> nameList = Arrays.asList(names);
```

```
System.out.println(nameList);
```

```
// [Alice, Bob, Charlie]
```

```
// Can use List methods now
```

```
System.out.println(nameList.contains("Bob")); // true
```

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## **Complete Example - All Methods Together**

```
java
```

```
import java.util.Arrays;
```

```
import java.util.Collections;

public class CompleteArraysDemo {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        // 1. Original array

        int[] numbers = {50, 20, 80, 10, 40, 60, 30};

        System.out.println("=== Original Array ===");

        System.out.println(Arrays.toString(numbers));


        // 2. Sorting

        System.out.println("\n=== After Sorting ===");

        Arrays.sort(numbers);

        System.out.println(Arrays.toString(numbers));

        // [10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80]


        // 3. Binary Search (array must be sorted!)

        System.out.println("\n=== Binary Search ===");

        int index = Arrays.binarySearch(numbers, 40);

        System.out.println("Index of 40: " + index); // 3


        index = Arrays.binarySearch(numbers, 45);

        System.out.println("Index of 45 (not found): " + index); // Negative


        // 4. Fill array

        System.out.println("\n=== Filling Array ===");

        int[] fillArray = new int[7];

        Arrays.fill(fillArray, 100);

        System.out.println("Filled with 100: " + Arrays.toString(fillArray));
```

```
// [100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100]
```

```
// 5. Equals comparison
```

```
System.out.println("\n=== Array Comparison ===");
```

```
int[] arr1 = {10, 20, 30};
```

```
int[] arr2 = {10, 20, 30};
```

```
System.out.println("Arrays equal? " + Arrays.equals(arr1, arr2)); // true
```

```
// 6. Copy array
```

```
System.out.println("\n=== Copying Array ===");
```

```
int[] copy = Arrays.copyOf(numbers, numbers.length);
```

```
System.out.println("Copy: " + Arrays.toString(copy));
```

```
// 7. Descending order (with wrapper class)
```

```
System.out.println("\n=== Descending Order ===");
```

```
Integer[] nums = {50, 20, 80, 10, 40};
```

```
Arrays.sort(nums, Collections.reverseOrder());
```

```
System.out.println("Descending: " + Arrays.toString(nums));
```

```
// [80, 50, 40, 20, 10]
```

```
// 8. String array operations
```

```
System.out.println("\n=== String Array ===");
```

```
String[] names = {"Diana", "Alice", "Charlie", "Bob"};
```

```
System.out.println("Original: " + Arrays.toString(names));
```

```
Arrays.sort(names);
```

```
System.out.println("Sorted: " + Arrays.toString(names));
```

```
// [Alice, Bob, Charlie, Diana]
```

```
int nameIndex = Arrays.binarySearch(names, "Charlie");  
  
System.out.println("Index of Charlie: " + nameIndex); // 2  
  
}  
  
}
```

---

## Collections Class in Java

The **Collections** class is a utility class in the java.util package that provides static methods to manipulate collections (like ArrayList, LinkedList, etc.). It's different from the **Collection interface**.

### Import Statement

```
java  
  
import java.util.Collections;  
  
import java.util.ArrayList;  
  
import java.util.List;
```

---

## Key Characteristics

- **Static methods** - call directly using class name: Collections.methodName()
  - Works with **Collection objects** (ArrayList, LinkedList, etc.)
  - Does **not** work with normal arrays or Map
- 

### 1. Collections.sort() - Sort a List

Sorts the list in **ascending order**.

#### Sorting Integer List

```
java  
  
import java.util.Collections;  
  
import java.util.ArrayList;
```

```
import java.util.List;

public class SortDemo {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        List<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();

        numbers.add(50);

        numbers.add(20);

        numbers.add(80);

        numbers.add(10);

        numbers.add(40);


        System.out.println("Before sorting: " + numbers);

        // [50, 20, 80, 10, 40]


        Collections.sort(numbers);


        System.out.println("After sorting: " + numbers);

        // [10, 20, 40, 50, 80] - SORTED!

    }

}
```

### **Sorting String List**

```
java

List<String> names = new ArrayList<>();

names.add("Diana");

names.add("Alice");

names.add("Charlie");

names.add("Bob");
```

```
System.out.println("Before: " + names);
```

```
// [Diana, Alice, Charlie, Bob]
```

```
Collections.sort(names);
```

```
System.out.println("After: " + names);
```

```
// [Alice, Bob, Charlie, Diana] - Alphabetically sorted!
```

---

## 2. Collections.sort() with Comparator.reverseOrder() - Descending Order

Sorts the list in **descending order**.

```
java
```

```
List<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
numbers.add(50);
```

```
numbers.add(20);
```

```
numbers.add(80);
```

```
numbers.add(10);
```

```
numbers.add(40);
```

```
System.out.println("Before: " + numbers);
```

```
// [50, 20, 80, 10, 40]
```

```
Collections.sort(numbers, Collections.reverseOrder());
```

```
System.out.println("After (descending): " + numbers);
```

```
// [80, 50, 40, 20, 10]
```

### String List in Reverse Order

```
java
```

```
List<String> names = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
names.add("Diana");
names.add("Alice");
names.add("Charlie");
names.add("Bob");

Collections.sort(names, Collections.reverseOrder());

System.out.println(names);
// [Diana, Charlie, Bob, Alice] - Reverse alphabetical!
```

---

### **3. Collections.min() - Find Minimum Element**

Returns the minimum element in the collection.

```
java
List<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();
numbers.add(50);
numbers.add(20);
numbers.add(80);
numbers.add(10);
numbers.add(40);
```

```
int min = Collections.min(numbers);
System.out.println("Minimum: " + min); // 10
```

#### **With Strings**

```
java
List<String> names = new ArrayList<>();
names.add("Diana");
names.add("Alice");
names.add("Charlie");
```

```
String minName = Collections.min(names);  
System.out.println("Min name (alphabetically): " + minName); // Alice
```

---

#### **4. Collections.max() - Find Maximum Element**

Returns the maximum element in the collection.

```
java  
  
List<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();  
  
numbers.add(50);  
numbers.add(20);  
numbers.add(80);  
numbers.add(10);  
numbers.add(40);  
  
int max = Collections.max(numbers);  
System.out.println("Maximum: " + max); // 80
```

#### **With Strings**

```
java  
  
List<String> names = new ArrayList<>();  
  
names.add("Diana");  
names.add("Alice");  
names.add("Charlie");  
  
String maxName = Collections.max(names);  
System.out.println("Max name (alphabetically): " + maxName); // Diana
```

---

#### **5. Collections.frequency() - Count Occurrences**

Returns the number of times a specified element appears in the collection.



java

```
List<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
numbers.add(10);
```

```
numbers.add(20);
```

```
numbers.add(10);
```

```
numbers.add(30);
```

```
numbers.add(10);
```

```
numbers.add(20);
```

```
int freq10 = Collections.frequency(numbers, 10);
```

```
int freq20 = Collections.frequency(numbers, 20);
```

```
int freq30 = Collections.frequency(numbers, 30);
```

```
System.out.println("Frequency of 10: " + freq10); // 3
```

```
System.out.println("Frequency of 20: " + freq20); // 2
```

```
System.out.println("Frequency of 30: " + freq30); // 1
```

### **With Strings**

java

```
List<String> names = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
names.add("Alice");
```

```
names.add("Bob");
```

```
names.add("Alice");
```

```
names.add("Charlie");
```

```
names.add("Alice");
```

```
names.add("Bob");
```

```
int aliceCount = Collections.frequency(names, "Alice");
```

```
System.out.println("Alice appears: " + aliceCount + " times"); // 3
```

---

## Complete Example - Basic Collections Methods

```
java

import java.util.Collections;

import java.util.ArrayList;

import java.util.List;


public class CollectionsDemo {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        List<Integer> numbers = new ArrayList<>();

        numbers.add(50);

        numbers.add(20);

        numbers.add(80);

        numbers.add(10);

        numbers.add(40);

        numbers.add(20);

        numbers.add(80);


        System.out.println("Original List: " + numbers);


        // Sort - Ascending

        Collections.sort(numbers);

        System.out.println("Sorted (ascending): " + numbers);


        // Sort - Descending

        Collections.sort(numbers, Collections.reverseOrder());

        System.out.println("Sorted (descending): " + numbers);
```

```
// Min and Max

System.out.println("Minimum: " + Collections.min(numbers));

System.out.println("Maximum: " + Collections.max(numbers));


// Frequency

System.out.println("Frequency of 20: " + Collections.frequency(numbers, 20));

System.out.println("Frequency of 80: " + Collections.frequency(numbers, 80));

System.out.println("Frequency of 100: " + Collections.frequency(numbers, 100));

}

}
```

---

## Sorting Custom Objects

To sort custom objects, you need to implement either the **Comparable interface** or use a **Comparator**.

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## 6. Comparable Interface - Natural Ordering

The **Comparable interface** is used to define the **natural ordering** of objects. The class itself decides how its objects should be sorted.

### Implementing Comparable

```
java

import java.util.ArrayList;

import java.util.Collections;

import java.util.List;


class Student implements Comparable<Student> {

    String name;

    int marks;


    Student(String name, int marks) {
```

```
    this.name = name;

    this.marks = marks;
}
```

```
// compareTo method - defines natural ordering
```

```
// Sort by marks (ascending)
```

```
@Override
```

```
public int compareTo(Student other) {

    return this.marks - other.marks;

    // If this.marks < other.marks → negative (this comes first)

    // If this.marks > other.marks → positive (other comes first)

    // If this.marks == other.marks → zero (equal)

}
```

```
@Override
```

```
public String toString() {

    return name + "(" + marks + ")";

}

}
```

```
public class ComparableDemo {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();

        students.add(new Student("Alice", 85));

        students.add(new Student("Bob", 70));

        students.add(new Student("Charlie", 95));

        students.add(new Student("Diana", 80));

    }

}
```

```
System.out.println("Before sorting: " + students);
```

```
// [Alice(85), Bob(70), Charlie(95), Diana(80)]
```

```
Collections.sort(students); // Uses compareTo method
```

```
System.out.println("After sorting (by marks): " + students);
```

```
// [Bob(70), Diana(80), Alice(85), Charlie(95)] - Sorted by marks!
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

### **Sorting by Name (String comparison)**

```
java
```

```
class Student implements Comparable<Student> {
```

```
    String name;
```

```
    int marks;
```

```
    Student(String name, int marks) {
```

```
        this.name = name;
```

```
        this.marks = marks;
```

```
    }
```

```
    @Override
```

```
    public int compareTo(Student other) {
```

```
        return this.name.compareTo(other.name); // Sort by name alphabetically
```

```
    }
```

```
    @Override
```

```
    public String toString() {
```

```
        return name + "(" + marks + ")";
```

```
}  
}
```

### Descending Order using Comparable

```
java  
  
@Override  
public int compareTo(Student other) {  
    return other.marks - this.marks; // Reverse for descending  
  
    // or  
  
    // return Integer.compare(other.marks, this.marks);  
}
```

---

## 7. Comparator Interface - Custom Ordering

The **Comparator interface** allows you to define **multiple different ways** to sort objects without modifying the class.

### Method 1: Creating a Separate Comparator Class

```
java  
  
import java.util.ArrayList;  
import java.util.Collections;  
import java.util.Comparator;  
import java.util.List;  
  
class Student {  
    String name;  
    int marks;  
  
    Student(String name, int marks) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.marks = marks;  
    }  
}
```

```
}
```

```
@Override
```

```
public String toString() {
```

```
    return name + "(" + marks + ")";
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
// Comparator to sort by marks
```

```
class SortByMarks implements Comparator<Student> {
```

```
    @Override
```

```
    public int compare(Student s1, Student s2) {
```

```
        return s1.marks - s2.marks; // Ascending order
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
// Comparator to sort by name
```

```
class SortByName implements Comparator<Student> {
```

```
    @Override
```

```
    public int compare(Student s1, Student s2) {
```

```
        return s1.name.compareTo(s2.name); // Alphabetical order
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
public class ComparatorDemo {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args) {
```

```
        List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
        students.add(new Student("Diana", 80));
```

```

students.add(new Student("Alice", 85));

students.add(new Student("Charlie", 95));

students.add(new Student("Bob", 70));


System.out.println("Original: " + students);


// Sort by marks

Collections.sort(students, new SortByMarks());

System.out.println("Sorted by marks: " + students);

// [Bob(70), Diana(80), Alice(85), Charlie(95)]


// Sort by name

Collections.sort(students, new SortByName());

System.out.println("Sorted by name: " + students);

// [Alice(85), Bob(70), Charlie(95), Diana(80)]

}

}

```

## **Method 2: Anonymous Inner Class**

```

java

List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();

students.add(new Student("Diana", 80));

students.add(new Student("Alice", 85));

students.add(new Student("Bob", 70));


// Sort by marks using anonymous class

Collections.sort(students, new Comparator<Student>() {

    @Override

    public int compare(Student s1, Student s2) {

```



```
        return s1.marks - s2.marks;
    }
});

System.out.println("Sorted by marks: " + students);
```

---

## 8. Using Lambda Expression - Modern Approach

Lambda expressions provide a cleaner, shorter syntax for Comparators.

### Sort by Marks (Ascending)

```
java
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Collections;
import java.util.List;

class Student {
    String name;
    int marks;

    Student(String name, int marks) {
        this.name = name;
        this.marks = marks;
    }

    @Override
    public String toString() {
        return name + "(" + marks + ")";
    }
}
```

```

public class LambdaComparatorDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();
        students.add(new Student("Diana", 80));
        students.add(new Student("Alice", 85));
        students.add(new Student("Charlie", 95));
        students.add(new Student("Bob", 70));

        System.out.println("Original: " + students);

        // Sort by marks (ascending) - Lambda
        Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s1.marks - s2.marks);
        System.out.println("Sorted by marks: " + students);
        // [Bob(70), Diana(80), Alice(85), Charlie(95)]
    }
}

```

### **Sort by Marks (Descending)**

```

java
// Descending order
Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s2.marks - s1.marks);
System.out.println("Sorted by marks (desc): " + students);
// [Charlie(95), Alice(85), Diana(80), Bob(70)]

```

### **Sort by Name (Alphabetically)**

```

java
// Sort by name (ascending)
Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s1.name.compareTo(s2.name));
System.out.println("Sorted by name: " + students);

```

```
// [Alice(85), Bob(70), Charlie(95), Diana(80)]
```

### **Sort by Name (Reverse Alphabetically)**

```
java
```

```
// Sort by name (descending)
```

```
Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s2.name.compareTo(s1.name));
```

```
System.out.println("Sorted by name (desc): " + students);
```

```
// [Diana(80), Charlie(95), Bob(70), Alice(85)]
```

### **Using Comparator.comparing() - Even Cleaner**

```
java
```

```
import java.util.Comparator;
```

```
// Sort by marks
```

```
Collections.sort(students, Comparator.comparing(s -> s.marks));
```

```
// Sort by name
```

```
Collections.sort(students, Comparator.comparing(s -> s.name));
```

```
// Sort by marks (descending)
```

```
Collections.sort(students, Comparator.comparing((Student s) -> s.marks).reversed());
```

```
// Sort by name (descending)
```

```
Collections.sort(students, Comparator.comparing((Student s) -> s.name).reversed());
```

---

### **Complete Example - All Sorting Methods**

```
java
```

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
```

```
import java.util.Collections;
```

```
import java.util.Comparator;
```

```
import java.util.List;
```

```
class Student {
```

```
    String name;
```

```
    int marks;
```

```
    Student(String name, int marks) {
```

```
        this.name = name;
```

```
        this.marks = marks;
```

```
    }
```

```
    @Override
```

```
    public String toString() {
```

```
        return name + "(" + marks + ")";
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
public class CompleteSortingDemo {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args) {
```

```
        List<Student> students = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
        students.add(new Student("Diana", 80));
```

```
        students.add(new Student("Alice", 85));
```

```
        students.add(new Student("Charlie", 95));
```

```
        students.add(new Student("Bob", 70));
```

```
        System.out.println("=== Original List ===");
```

```
        System.out.println(students);
```

*// 1. Lambda - Sort by marks (ascending)*

```
System.out.println("\n=== Sort by Marks (Ascending) - Lambda ===");  
Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s1.marks - s2.marks);  
System.out.println(students);
```

*// 2. Lambda - Sort by marks (descending)*

```
System.out.println("\n=== Sort by Marks (Descending) - Lambda ===");  
Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s2.marks - s1.marks);  
System.out.println(students);
```

*// 3. Lambda - Sort by name (ascending)*

```
System.out.println("\n=== Sort by Name (Ascending) - Lambda ===");  
Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s1.name.compareTo(s2.name));  
System.out.println(students);
```

*// 4. Lambda - Sort by name (descending)*

```
System.out.println("\n=== Sort by Name (Descending) - Lambda ===");  
Collections.sort(students, (s1, s2) -> s2.name.compareTo(s1.name));  
System.out.println(students);
```

*// 5. Comparator.comparing() - Sort by marks*

```
System.out.println("\n=== Sort by Marks - Comparator.comparing() ===");  
Collections.sort(students, Comparator.comparing(s -> s.marks));  
System.out.println(students);
```

*// 6. Comparator.comparing() - Sort by name (reversed)*

```
System.out.println("\n=== Sort by Name (Reversed) - Comparator ===");
```

```
    Collections.sort(students, Comparator.comparing((Student s) ->
s.name).reversed());
```

```
    System.out.println(students);
```

```
// Min and Max with Comparator
```

```
    System.out.println("\n=== Min/Max with Custom Comparator ===");
```

```
    Student topStudent = Collections.max(students, (s1, s2) -> s1.marks - s2.marks);
```

```
    System.out.println("Top student (max marks): " + topStudent);
```

```
    Student bottomStudent = Collections.min(students, (s1, s2) -> s1.marks -
s2.marks);
```

```
    System.out.println("Bottom student (min marks): " + bottomStudent);
```

```
}
```

```
}
```