# Classwork - Sep 24

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class Car{
    private String color;
    private int speed;
    public void setColor(String) { color = c; }
    public void setSpeed(int s) { if(s >= 0) speed = s;}
    public String getColor() { return color; }
    public int getSpeed() { return speed; }
    public void drive() {
        System.out.println(color + " car driving at " + speed + " km/h");
    public class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Car myCar = new Car();
        myCar.setColor("Green");
        myCar.setSpeed(70);
        myCar.drive();
        System.out.println("I know the color is: " + myCar.getColor());
   }
}
```

# **Basic Comprehension Questions**

### 1. What is the purpose of getter and setter methods?

-> Getter and setter methods are used to encapsulate properties of a class. They are to prevent direct access to properties and instead provide access to them through methods; setters and getters.

Setter methods are used to change the value of a property. Example: setSpeed(). Getter methods are used to retrieve the value of a property. Example: getColor().

#### 2. Why are the color and speed variables declared as private?

-> We are encapsulating these variables and using getter and setter methods for their access control.

#### 3. What does the drive() method do when called?

-> It prints the color of the car and the speed it is driving at to the standard output. In the above example, we use the setColor method to set the color property to Green and setSpeed method to set the speed property to 70. When we call the drive() method it prints this to the terminal:

### 4. What output will this program produce when executed?

-> It produces this output:

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Green car driving at 70 km/h
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## **Code Analysis Questions**

#### 1. Why does the setSpeed() method include a condition if(s >= 0)?

-> This is to make sure that a negative value of speed is not assigned to the speed variable, since speed cannot be negative.

# 2. What would happen if we tried to access myCar.color directly in the Main class?

-> It would throw an error because the color property has private access modifier, meaning it cannot be accessed by other classes.

# 3. How many Car objects are created in this program?

-> Just one Car object.

# 4. What is the initial state of a Car object when it's first created?

-> When a Car object is created, it's instance variables color and speed are initialized to their default values in Java because no constructor has explicitly set them.

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So,
color(a String) = null
speed(a int) = 0
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