

Chapter 17 Input and Output

1. `FileInputStream` for input and `FileOutputStream` for output must be used.
2. Data in binary format is read or written by `InputStream` and `OutputStream`. You cannot use `read(byte b)` or `write(byte b)` for `InputStream` and `OutputStream`, because they are abstract methods.
3. The value of a byte is returned as an `int` in the range 0 to 255. If no byte is available because the end of the stream has been reached, the value -1 is returned.
4. Characters are read or written by the `Reader` and `Writer` classes. `read()` or `write(char c)` can be used in those streams.
5. The byte stream is a stream of bytes, and the character stream is a stream of characters. Different classes are used to handle these streams.
6. Bytes are read or written using file streams. You can use `read()` or `write(byte b)` in file streams.
7. The data streams (`DataInputStream` and `DataOutputStream`) read and write Java primitive types in a machine-independent fashion, which enables you to write a data file on one machine and read it on another machine with a different operating system or file structure. They are often used for importing and exporting data.
8. They are very similar except that `PrintStream` is used to print things on the console and `DataOutputStream` is used with `FileWriter` to write things into a file.
9. `JFileChooser` is modal. `getSelectedFile()` returns an instance of `File`. `getSelectedDirectories()` returns an instance of `File[]`. Use `setCurrentDirectory(new File("."))` to set current directory as default directory for `JFileChooser`.
10. `InputStream` `System.in`
`PrintStream` `System.out`
`PrintStream` `System.err`
11. Any objects that are instance of `Serializable` can be stored using the object stream. You use the `writeObject` method to write an object to the object output stream and use `readObject` to read an object from the object input stream. The `readObject` method returns a value of the `Object` type. A static variable is not serialized. If you don't want a variable to be serialized, mark it transient.

12. Yes, because they share the same interface for reading and writing data in the same format.

13.

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RandomAccessFile raf = new
RandomAccessFile("student.dat", "rw");

DataOutputStream outfile = new DataOutputStream(new
FileWriter("student.dat"));
```

To create a `RandomAccessFile` stream, you simply use the `RandomAccessFile` constructor. To create a `DataOutputStream`, you use `DataOutputStream` wrapped on `FileWriter`.

14. It will compile fine, but raises a run time exception.

15. When do you use `StreamTokenizer`?

Answer: You use `StreamTokenizer` when processing text files.

How do you read data using `StreamTokenizer`?

Answer: To create a `StreamTokenizer` object, you need to create it wrapped on `FileWriter`.

Where is the token stored when you are using the `nextToken()` method?

Answer: The `nextToken` is stored in the `in_sval` variable.

How do you find the data type of the token?

Answer: To find the data type of the token, use the `in_type` variable.

16. No.