

# 1. What is Java?

- Java is a high-level, object-oriented programming language developed by Sun Microsystems in 1995. It's designed to have minimal implementation dependencies, making it platform-independent.

# 2. What is the JDK?

- The JDK (Java Development Kit) is a software development environment used for developing Java applications. It includes the Java Runtime Environment (JRE), a compiler, and other development tools.

# 3. What is the JRE?

- The JRE (Java Runtime Environment) is the runtime portion of Java software, which is all you need to run Java applications but not to develop them.

# 4. What is the JVM?

- The JVM (Java Virtual Machine) is a platform-independent execution environment that converts Java bytecode into machine language and executes it.

## 5. What is bytecode?

- Bytecode is the intermediate code generated after the Java compiler compiles the source code. It is platform-independent and can be executed by the JVM.

## 6. What is the difference between JDK, JRE, and JVM?

- • JDK: For development (contains JRE + tools for development).
- JRE: For running Java applications (contains JVM + libraries).
- JVM: For executing bytecode (runs Java programs).

## 7. Is Java platform-independent? Why?

- Yes, Java is platform-independent because of its bytecode that can run on any system that has a JVM, regardless of the underlying architecture.

## 8. What is the main feature of the Java language?

- The primary feature of Java is platform independence, achieved through the use of the JVM.

## 9. What is object-oriented programming (OOP)?

- OOP is a programming paradigm that relies on the concept of classes and objects. Key principles of OOP include encapsulation, inheritance, polymorphism, and abstraction.

## **10. What is a class in Java?**

- A class in Java is a blueprint from which objects are created. It can contain fields (attributes) and methods (functions) to define the behavior and state of objects.

## **11. What is an object in Java?**

- An object is an instance of a class. It is a real-world entity that holds state and behavior defined by its class

## **12. What is encapsulation?**

- Encapsulation is the wrapping of data (fields) and code (methods) into a single unit, known as a class, and restricting direct access to some components.

## **13. What is inheritance?**

- Inheritance is a mechanism where one class acquires the properties (fields and methods) of another class. It helps in code reusability.

## **14. What is polymorphism?**



- Polymorphism is the ability of a method to perform different functions based on the object that it is acting upon. It allows one interface to be used for a general class of actions.

## **15. What is abstraction?**

- Abstraction is the concept of hiding the internal implementation of a feature and only exposing the functionality to the user.

## **16. What is the difference between an interface and an abstract class?**

- • Interface: Can only have abstract methods and final fields (Java 8+ allows default and static methods).
- Abstract class: Can have both abstract and concrete methods and can hold state.

## **17. What is a constructor in Java?**

- A constructor is a special method used to initialize objects. It is invoked when an object of a class is created.

## **18. What is the default constructor?**

- A default constructor is a constructor provided by Java if no other constructors are defined in the class. It has no parameters.

## **19. What is method overloading?**

- Method overloading is when a class has more than one method with the same name but different parameter lists (either in number or type).

## **20. What is method overriding?**

- Method overriding occurs when a subclass provides a specific implementation of a method that is already defined in its superclass.

## **21. What is the 'super' keyword in Java?**

- The super keyword refers to the immediate parent class object. It is used to access parent class methods or constructors.

## **22. What is a package in Java?**

A package is a namespace that organizes classes and interfaces. It helps to avoid name conflicts and to control access.

## **23. What is the use of the 'final' keyword?**

- The final keyword can be used with classes, methods, and variables to indicate that they cannot be modified or extended.

## 24. What is the static keyword?

- The static keyword in Java is used for memory management. It can be applied to variables, methods, blocks, and nested classes. Static members belong to the class rather than instances.

## 25. What is the difference between static and instance variables?

- • Static variables are shared among all instances of a class.
- Instance variables are unique to each instance of a class.

## 26. What is the 'this' keyword in Java?

- The This keyword is used to refer to the current instance of the class.

## 27. What is exception handling?

- Exception handling in Java is a mechanism to handle runtime errors, allowing normal flow of the application even after an error occurs.

## 28. What is the difference between checked and unchecked exceptions?

- • Checked exceptions are checked at compile-time.
- Unchecked exceptions are checked at runtime (subclasses of RuntimeException).



## **29. What is the try-catch block?**

- The try block contains code that might throw an exception, while the catch block handles the exception if it occurs.

## **30. What is the finally block in Java?**

- The finally block contains code that is always executed, regardless of whether an exception is thrown or caught.

## **31. What is the throw keyword in Java?**

- The throw keyword is used to explicitly throw an exception.

## **32. What is the throws keyword?**

- The throws keyword is used in method signatures to declare that a method may throw exceptions.

## **33. What are collections in Java?**

- The Java Collections Framework provides a set of interfaces and classes to store and manipulate data in groups.

## **34. What is the difference between an Array and an ArrayList?**

- • Arrays are of fixed size, while ArrayLists are resizable.
- Arrays can hold primitive types, whereas ArrayLists hold objects.