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# ABSTRACT CLASSES AND INTERFACES

## Consider this class...

```
public class LoudToy
{
    private int volume;

    public LoudToy(int volume)
    {
        this.volume = volume;
    }

    public void makeNoise()
    {
        System.out.println("Generic noise");
    }

    public int getVolume()
    {
        return volume;
    }
}
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How does adding  
this keyword  
change our class?

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## WHAT IS AN ABSTRACT CLASS?

- ▶ A class that is not instantiated, but is extended by other classes.

*AccessSpecifier* abstract class *ClassName*

## WHAT IS AN ABSTRACT METHOD?

- ▶ A method that has no body and must be overridden in subclasses.

*AccessSpecifier* abstract *ReturnType* *MethodName*(*ParameterList*);

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This is a generic method that needs to be overridden by subclasses.

Turn this method into an abstract method.

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## Solution

```
public abstract class LoudToy
{
    private int volume;

    public LoudToy(int volume)
    {
        this.volume = volume;
    }

    public abstract void makeNoise();

    public int getVolume()
    {
        return volume;
    }
}
```

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## Abstract Class Example (Continued)

```
public class ToyRobot extends LoudToy
{
    private int chargeLevel;

    public ToyRobot()
    {
        super(10);
        chargeLevel = 5;
    }

    @Override
    public void makeNoise()
    {
        System.out.println("Beep Beep!");
    }

    public int recharge()
    {
        chargeLevel = 10;
        System.out.println("Charged Up")!
    }
}
```

```
public class ToySheep extends LoudToy
{
    public ToySheep()
    {
        super(3);
    }

    @Override
    public void makeNoise()
    {
        System.out.println("Baaa.");
    }
}
```

## WHAT IS AN INTERFACE?

- ▶ Specifies the behavior of a class.
- ▶ Looks similar to a class, except the keyword `interface` is used instead of the keyword `class`.
- ▶ 

```
public interface InterfaceName
{
    (Method headers...)
}
```



## Consider this interface...

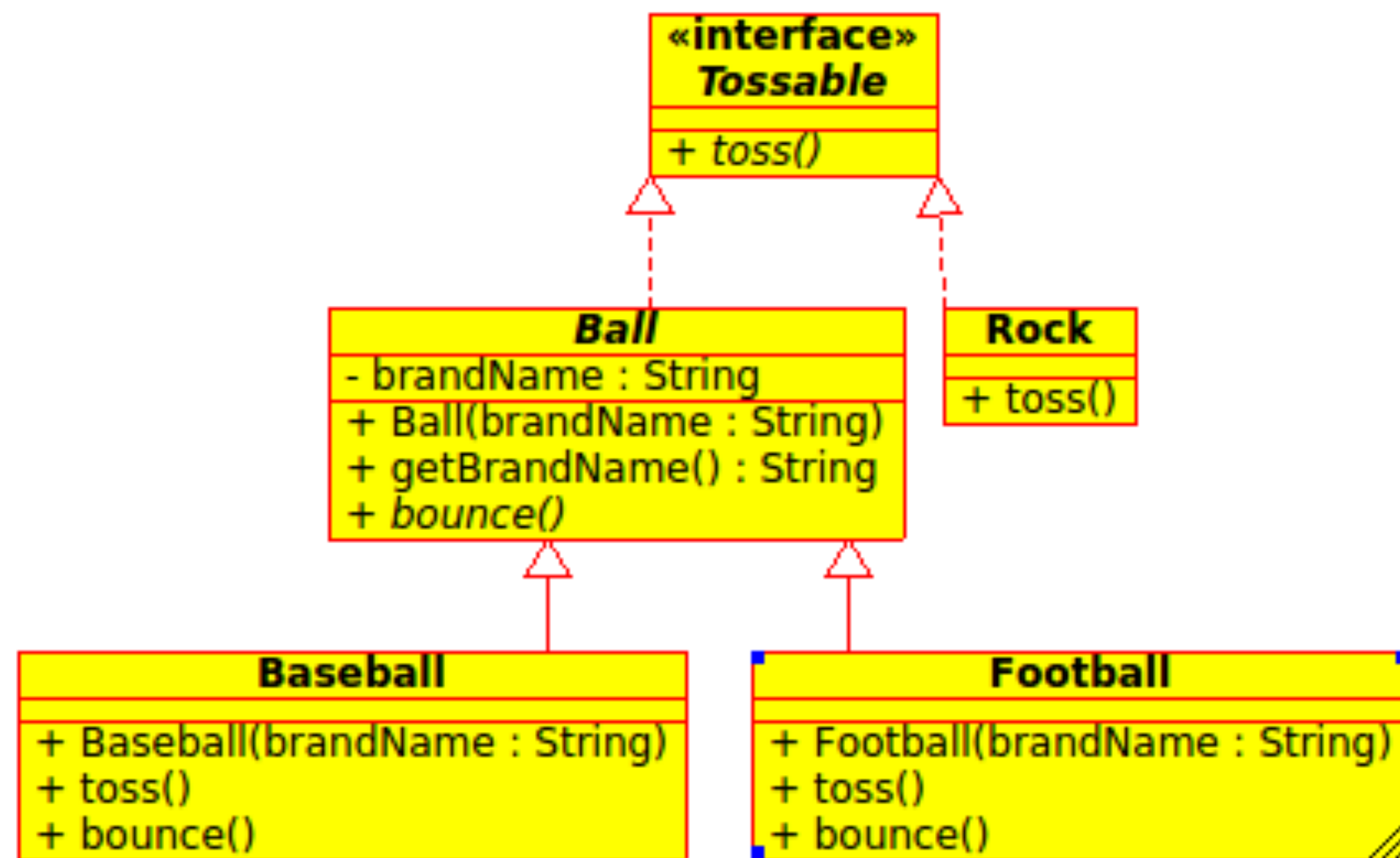
```
/**
 * Any class that has an adjustable volume
 * may implement this interface.
 */

public interface Audible
{
    int MAX_VOLUME = 10;

    int getVolume();

    void setVolume(int volume);
}
```

## Consider the following UML Diagram...

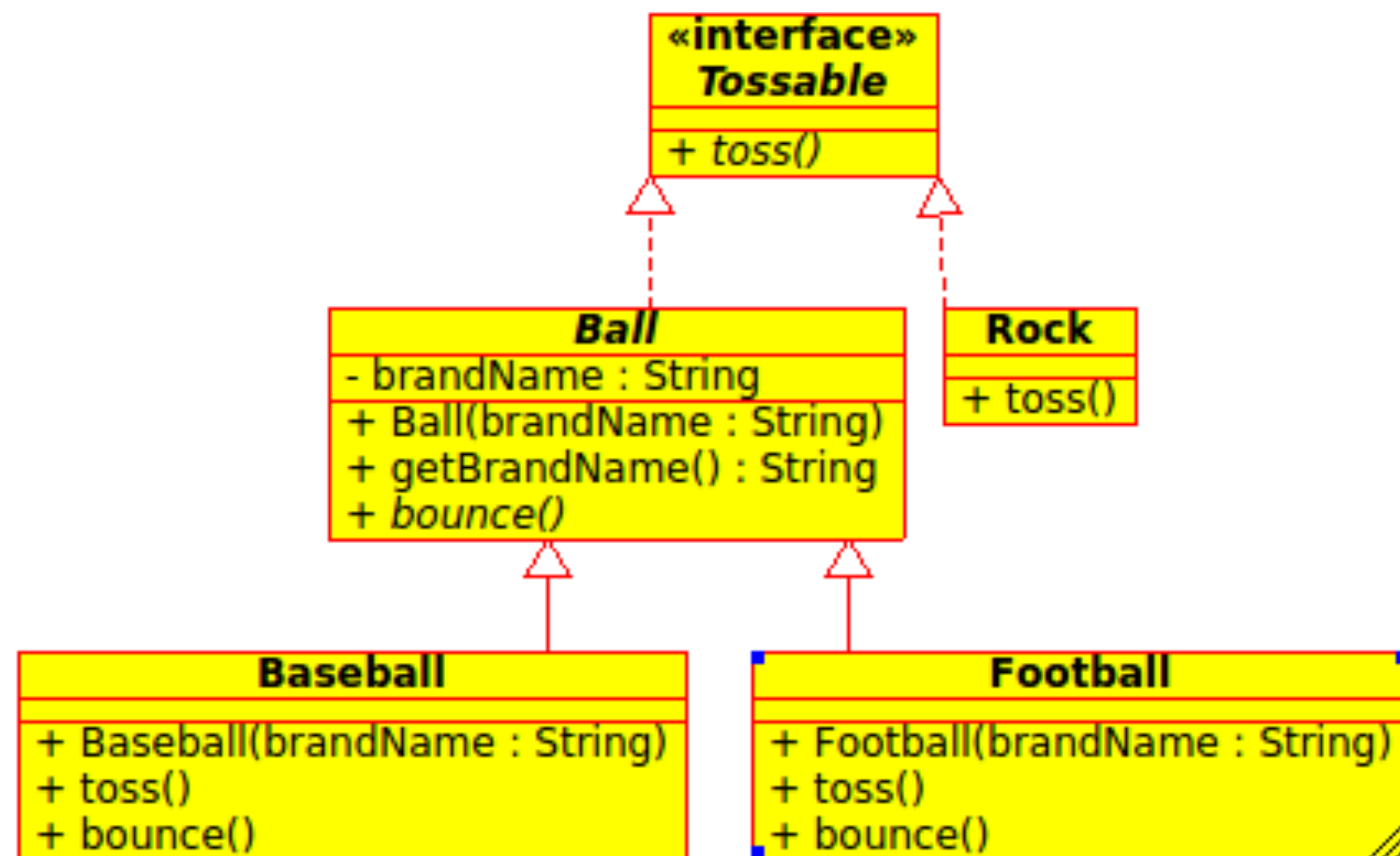


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Ball ball = new Football("spalding");
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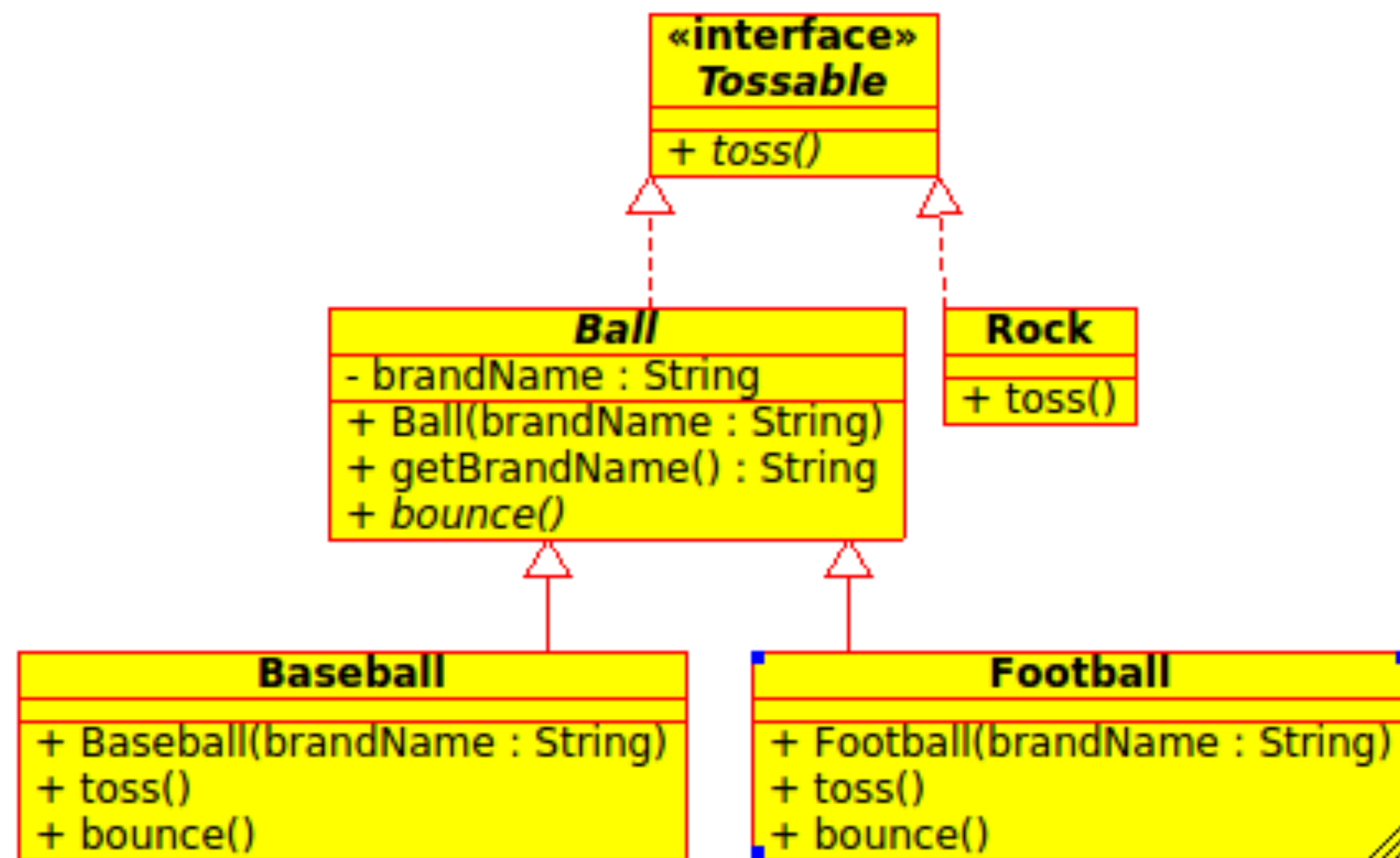


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```
Ball ball = new Football("Spalding");
Baseball baseball = (Baseball)ball;
```

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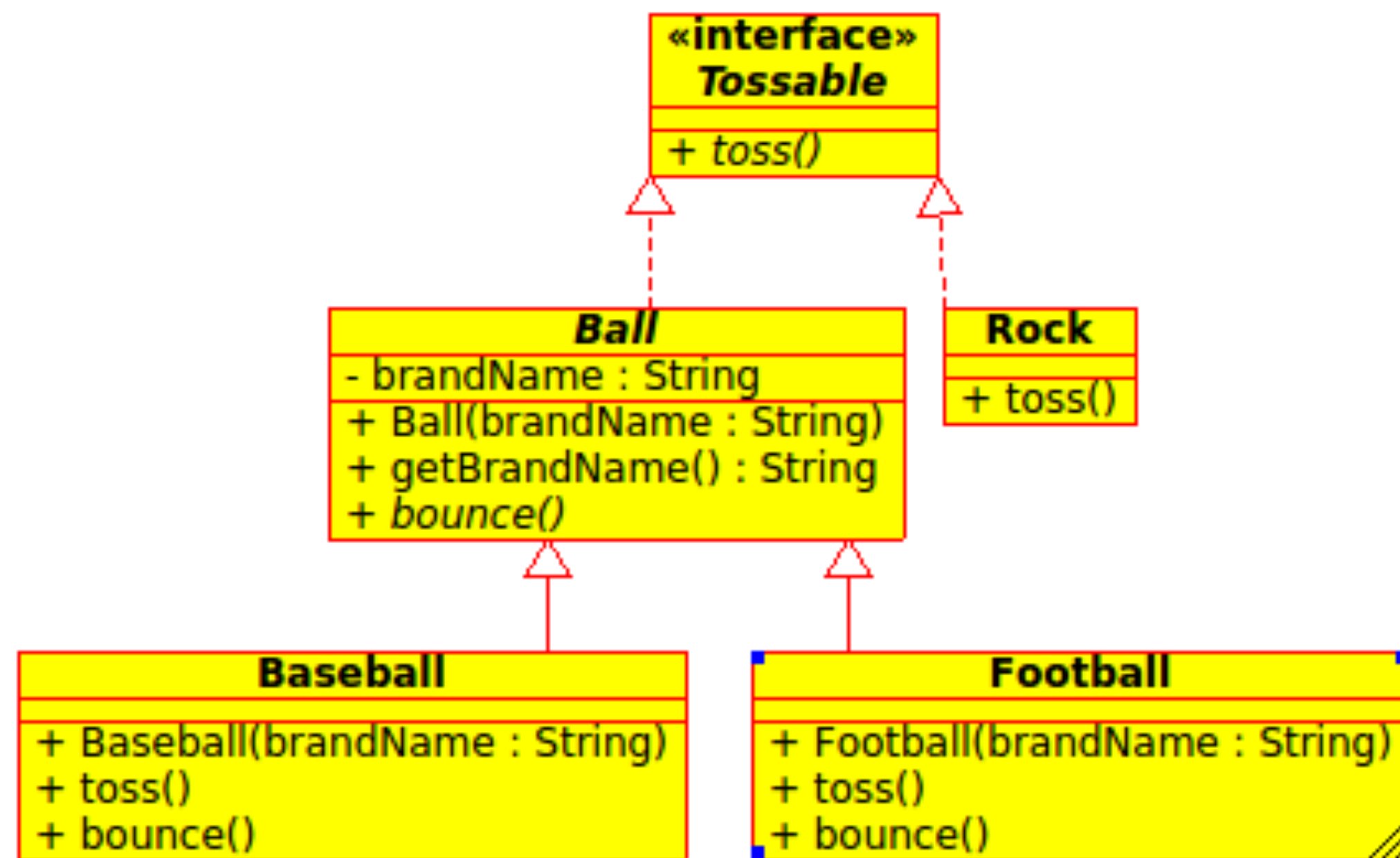


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Object obj = new Baseball("spalding");
```

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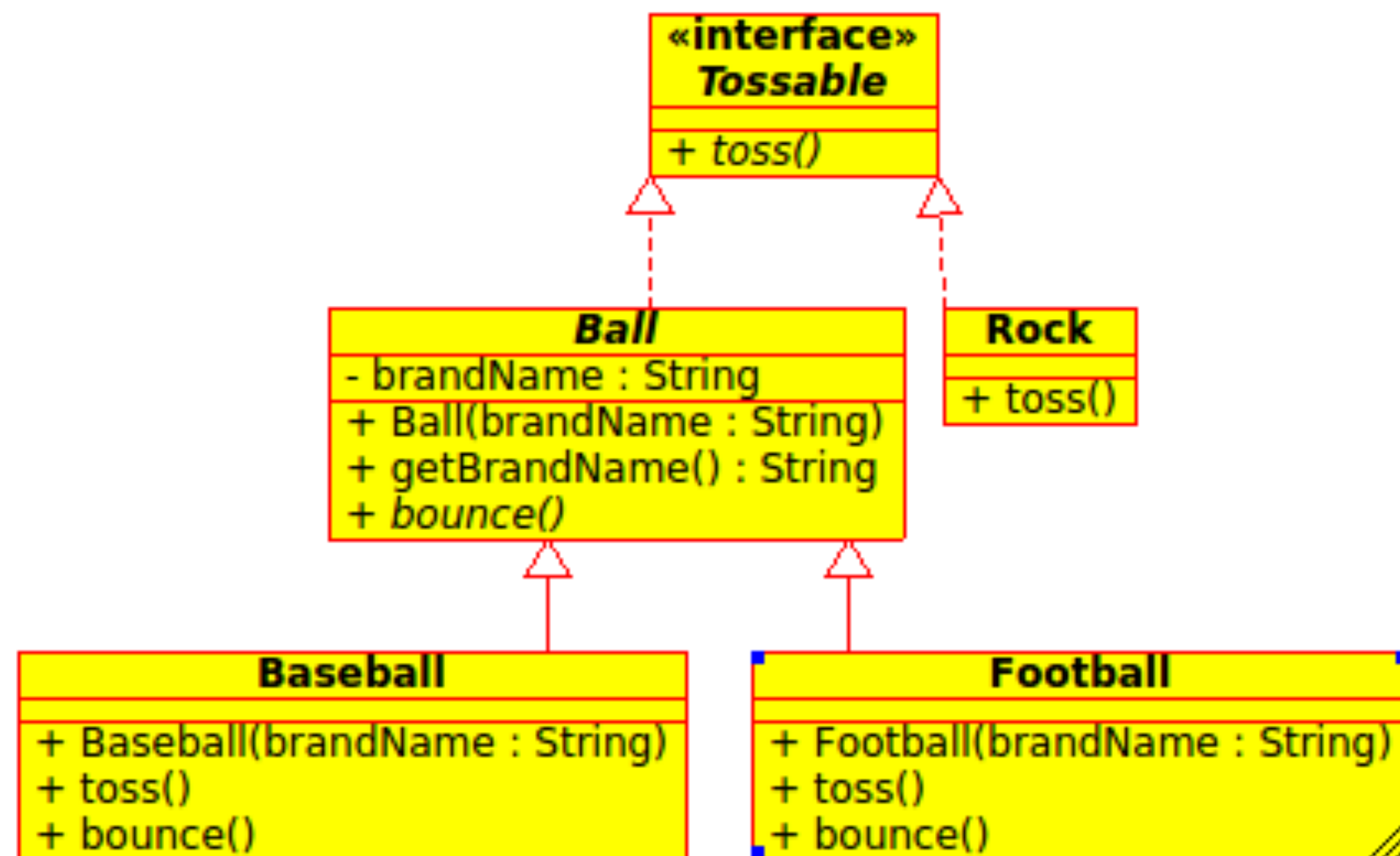


Indicate if the following line of code will compile or execute.

```
Object obj = new Baseball("spalding");  
Tossable tossable = obj;
```

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Tossable tossable = new Baseball("spalding")
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