

## StringBuilder vs StringBuffer in Java

Both StringBuilder and StringBuffer are used for **mutable** (modifiable) strings in Java, but they have key differences in terms of **performance** and **synchronization**.

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### 🔑 Key Differences

Feature	StringBuffer	StringBuilder
Thread Safety	✅ Synchronized (Safe for multi-threading)	❌ Not synchronized (Faster in single-threaded)
Performance	Slower due to synchronization	Faster as it's not synchronized
Introduced In	Java 1.0	Java 1.5
Use Case	When multiple threads modify the same string	When only a single thread modifies the string

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### 🔗 Example Code for Both

#### 💎 StringBuffer (Thread-Safe but Slower)

```
public class StringBufferExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer("Hello");

        sb.append(" World"); // "Hello World"
        sb.insert(5, " Java"); // "Hello Java World"
        sb.replace(6, 10, "C++"); // "Hello C++ World"
        sb.delete(6, 9); // "Hello World"
        sb.reverse(); // "dlroW olleH"

        System.out.println(sb);
    }
}
```

💡 Use when multiple threads modify the string.

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#### 💎 StringBuilder (Faster but Not Thread-Safe)

```
public class StringBuilderExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder("Hello");

        sb.append(" World"); // "Hello World"
        sb.insert(5, " Java"); // "Hello Java World"
        sb.replace(6, 10, "C++"); // "Hello C++ World"
        sb.delete(6, 9); // "Hello World"
        sb.reverse(); // "dlroW olleH"

        System.out.println(sb);
    }
}
```

💡 Use when only a single thread modifies the string for better performance.

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## 📌 When to Use What?

### Scenario

### Use

**Single-threaded applications**

✓ **StringBuilder** (better performance)

**Multi-threaded applications** (where multiple threads modify the string)

✓ **StringBuffer** (ensures thread safety)

**Read-Only Strings**

✓ Use **String** instead (immutable and memory-efficient)

### 🚀 Conclusion:

- Use **StringBuilder** for better speed in **single-threaded** environments.
- Use **StringBuffer** only if **thread safety** is required.