

# Introduction

This brief chapter will showcase the functionality of Reason objects.

## WE'LL COVER THE FOLLOWING ^

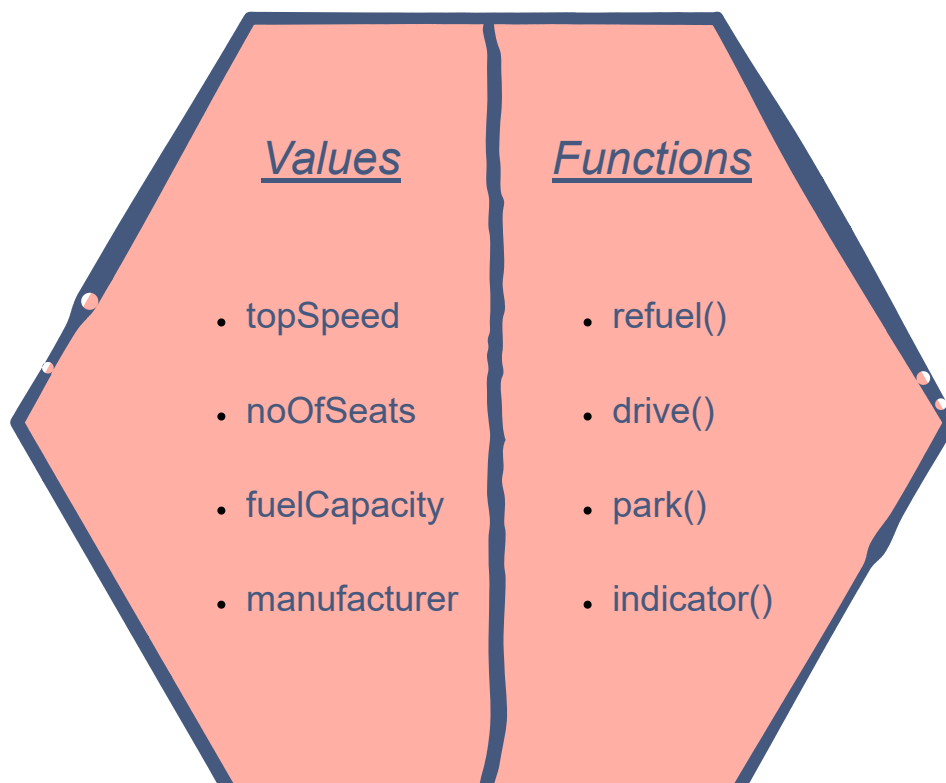
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## The Purpose of an Object #

An object is an entity which is made up of several **values** and **functions** which operate on these values. We can use objects to represent a complete application or a component in an application.

Let's take the example of a car object. It has several values such as its *manufacturer*, *color*, *top speed*, etc. Based on these attributes, the car can perform certain functions such as *driving*, *accelerating*, *refueling*, etc.

### A Car Object



## Reason's Approach #

In Reason, objects are very similar to records. The values of an object can be treated as the fields in a record.

However, objects provide a more flexible alternative to the rigid structure of records. As we'll see in the upcoming lessons, information can be added to an object even after its definition.

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In the next lesson, we'll learn how to create an object from scratch.