

Module 2: Object-Oriented Design: Classes, Inheritance, and Polymorphism

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Focus of Module 1:

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Module 2 — Big Picture

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- Class Fundamentals
- Access and Non-Access Specifiers
- Declaring Objects and Assigning Object Reference Variables
- Array of Objects
- Constructors and Destructors
- Usage of `this` and `static` Keywords
- Enum Types and Their Iterations
- Inheritance and Its Types
- Use of `super` Keyword
- `final` Keyword
- Polymorphism
- Method Overloading and Method Overriding
- Abstract Classes
- Interfaces

Class Fundamentals — What is a Class?

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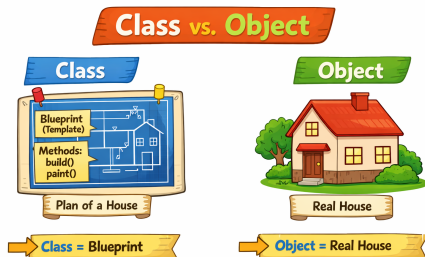
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It defines:

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- Behavior (methods)

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- Class = Blueprint
- Object = Real entity



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Example entities:

- Student
- Employee
- BankAccount

Class — Basic Syntax

```
class ClassName {  
    // data members  
    // methods  
}
```

Class Example 1

```
class Student {  
    int id;  
    String name;  
  
    void display() {  
        System.out.println(id + " " + name);  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Student s1 = new Student();  
        s1.id = 52818;  
        s1.name = "Prem";  
        s1.display();  
    }  
}
```

Class Example 2

```
class BankAccount {  
    int accountNumber;  
    double balance;  
  
    void deposit(double amount) {  
        balance = balance + amount;  
    }  
    void showBalance() {  
        System.out.println("Balance: " + balance);  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        BankAccount acc = new BankAccount();  
        acc.deposit(5000);  
        acc.deposit(2000);  
        acc.showBalance();  
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Key idea:

- Reference is NOT the object

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Note:

- Only instance variables get defaults

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- Local variables have NO default values

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Analogy:

- One blueprint, many houses

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- **Garbage Collector removes object** JVM automatically frees memory

Complete Example

An object is destroyed not when you want, but when no one points to it.

```
class Demo {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        Student s1 = new Student(); // object created  
        s1.id = 10;                  // object used  
  
        s1 = null;                   // reference lost  
        // object eligible for garbage collection  
    }  
}
```

Methods Work on Object Data

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    int marks;  
  
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Key idea:

- Method changes data of the calling object

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- 3 Can a class exist without an object? Can an object exist without a class? Explain.

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- Java provides:
 - **Access Specifiers** – control visibility
 - **Non-Access Specifiers** – control behavior

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 - Security
 - Controlled access

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- 4 **public**

Access Specifier Scope

Specifier	Class	Package	Subclass	World
private	Yes	No	No	No
default	Yes	Yes	No	No
protected	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
public	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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- Used to:
 - Hide data
 - Protect sensitive information

Private Access Specifier – Allowed Access

```
class Student {  
    private int id;  
    void setId(int i) {  
        id = i;  
    }  
    void showId() {  
        System.out.println("Student ID is: " + id);  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Student s1 = new Student();  
        s1.setId(101);  
        s1.showId();  
    }  
}
```


Private Access Specifier – Direct Access Not Allowed

```
class Student {  
    private int id;  
}  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Student s1 = new Student();  
        s1.id = 101;  
        System.out.println(s1.id);  
    }  
}
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Default Access Specifier

```
class Employee {  
    int salary;    // default access  
  
    void showSalary() {  
        System.out.println(salary);  
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- Not accessible from other packages

Default Access Specifier – Incorrect Usage

Concept: Default access variables belong to an **object**, not to the class itself.

Java Code:

```
class Student {  
    int id;    // default access  
  
    void showId() {  
        System.out.println("ID: " + id);  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        showId();    // invalid call  
    }  
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```
class Parent {  
    protected int value = 100;  
}  
class Child extends Parent {  
    void show() {  
        System.out.println("Value is: " + value);  
    } }  
    public class Main {  
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    Child c = new Child();  
    c.show();  
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- Protected members are accessible in subclasses
- Used mainly with inheritance
- Accessed using child class object

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- Used for:
 - APIs
 - Entry points (main method)

public Access Specifier – Code

```
public class Test {  
    public int number = 10;  
  
    public void display() {  
        System.out.println("Number is: " + number);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
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- They define:
 - Behavior
 - Nature of data or methods

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Concept: Static members belong to the class.

```
class Test {  
    static int x = 10;  
  
    static void show() {  
        System.out.println(x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Test.show();  
    }  
}
```

Concept: Final means constant.

```
class Test {  
    final int x = 10;  
  
    void show() {  
        System.out.println(x);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Test t = new Test();  
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abstract Keyword

Concept: Abstract methods must be implemented by child class.

```
abstract class Shape {  
    abstract void draw();  
}
```

```
class Circle extends Shape {  
    void draw() {  
        System.out.println("Drawing Circle");  
    }  
}
```

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Shape s = new Circle();  
        s.draw();  
    }  
}
```

synchronized Keyword

Concept: Controls thread access.

```
class Table {  
    synchronized void print(int n) {  
        for(int i=1;i<=3;i++) {  
            System.out.println(n*i);  
        }  
    }  
}  
  
public class Main {  
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Why Needed:

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- Threads see updated value immediately

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Thank You!

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