

Why did the Java Developer quit his job?

Because he didn't get arrays.

Module 1-7

Collections: Lists

Objectives

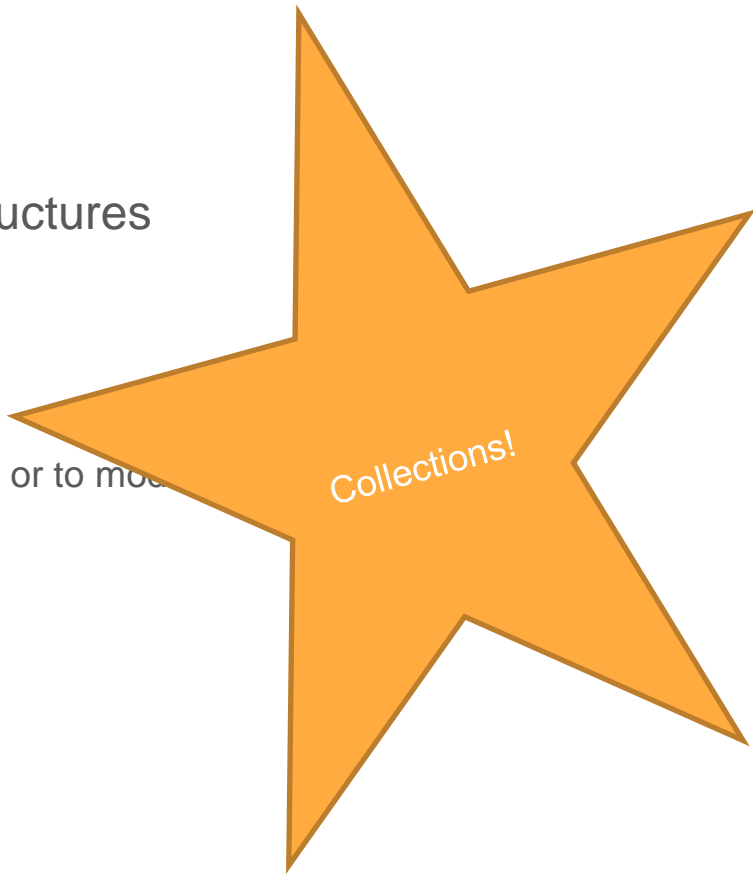
- Students should be able to describe the purpose and use of Collections
- Students should be able to describe the differences between a List and an array and the different use-cases for them
- Students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of code libraries and the use of namespaces in C# or packages in Java to help organize them
- Students should be able to use the for-each loop to iterate through a collection
- Students should be able to describe what a Stack and Queue are and how they work
- Students should be able to identify from syntax what variables are arrays and what are Lists

Objectives

1. What are Collections and why we use them
2. Differences between array and List
3. Packages in Java for organization
4. For-each loop to iterate through a collection
5. Stack and Queue

Array Recap

- Arrays are simple data structures
 - Hold collection of like data
- Not flexible
 - Difficult to add new element or to modify



Collections

1. Classes that live in a package
2. Come from standard library of classes
 1. java.util package
3. Already written for you!
4. Can use import statement or fully qualified statement

```
java.util.Scanner input = new java.util.Scanner(System.in);
```

Package

- Organizes classes within libraries
- Creates scope to prevent two classes with same name from overlapping
- `java.lang` package automatically imported
 - String class, System class, wrapper classes (Boolean, Integer, Double)

List class

A List is:

- Zero-indexed like array
 - Ordered set of elements (accessible by index)
 - Allows duplicates
 - Dynamic in size
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- Java List is an interface, so we use ArrayList
 - Called Programming to an Interface
 - Must be imported from java.util package

List syntax

List <datatype> objectName = new ArrayList<>();

```
List <String> names = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
names.add("Rick");
```

```
names.add("Beth");
```

```
names.add("Jerry");
```

```
names.add(0, "Sam");
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < names.size(); i++) {
```

```
    System.out.println(names.get(i));
```

```
}
```

- The add method is overloaded – add name is the same, but takes in different parameter listings

List methods

```
List <String> moreNames = new ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList("Tom",  
"Tim", "Joe", "Jim"));

System.out.println(moreNames.size()); // prints 4
moreNames.add(0, "Jane");
System.out.println(moreNames); // prints out array elements
moreNames.remove(3);           // removes element in pos 3

System.out.println(moreNames.contains("Tom")); // prints true

moreNames.removeAll(moreNames);
// removes all elements from ArrayList

System.out.println(moreNames.isEmpty()); // prints true
```

- The add method is overloaded – add name is the same, but takes in different parameter listings

Let's code!

Primitive Wrapper objects

Lists and other collections can only hold objects!

```
List<Integer> ages = new ArrayList<>();

ages.add(29);
ages.add(21);
ages.add(35);
ages.add(32);

for (int i = 0; i < ages.size(); i++) {
    System.out.println(ages.get(i));
}
```

- Wrapper class wraps primitive types so they can be references types
- Autoboxing is process of converting primitive type to reference type (moving from stack to heap)
- Unboxing is moving from heap to stack, converting back to primitive type

Foreach loop

```
List <Integer> ages = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
ages.add(29);
```

```
ages.add(21);
```

```
ages.add(35);
```

```
ages.add(32);
```

```
for (Integer age: ages) {  
    System.out.println(age);  
}
```

- Convenience method to iterate through a collection
- Cannot modify contents during iteration
- Useful for when you don't need the index, just want to go through to each element

Let's code!

Queues

- List, but used in a certain way to get certain result
- VERY COMMON data structure
- FIFO
 - First In, First Out
 - Elements are inserted at end of list, and deleted from beginning
- Line of customers waiting to be helped
- Print queue (documents printed in order received)

Queue syntax

Queue <datatype> objectName = new LinkedList<>();

```
Queue <String> todoList = new LinkedList<>();
```

```
todoList.offer("Rick");
```

```
todoList.offer("Beth");
```

```
todoList.offer("Jerry");
```

```
todoList.offer("Sam");
```

```
while (todoList.size() > 0) {
```

```
    String nextTodo = todoList.poll();
```

```
    System.out.println("NEXT ON MY LIST: " +  
        nextTodo);
```

```
}
```

- To add elements to Queue, we can use add or offer (offer is preferred because add will throw an exception)
- To remove elements, we can use remove or poll (poll is preferred because remove will throw an exception)

Stacks

- List, but with different behavior
- VERY COMMON data structure
- LIFO
 - Last In, First Out
 - Elements are inserted at front of list, and deleted from beginning
- Plates at a buffet
- Undo feature of an edit

Stack syntax

```
Stack <datatype> objectName = new Stack<>();
```

```
Stack <String> numberStack = new Stack<>();
```

```
numberStack.push("123");
```

```
numberStack.push("456");
```

```
numberStack.push("789");
```

```
while (numberStack.size() > 0) {  
    String number = numberStack.pop();  
    System.out.println(number);  
}
```

- To add elements to Stack, we push the elements on the stack
- To remove elements, we pop them off the stack