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- Arrays
- Strings
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- Equality
- Wrapper Classes
- Varargs

Arrays

- An Array is an ordered list of items that are all of the same type
 - {15, 31, 7}
 - {'a', 'g', 'x'}
- The items in the list are numbered starting at 0

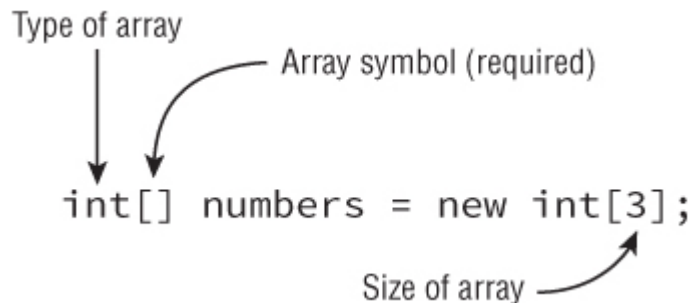
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- Arrays initialize to 0
- Arrays may contain duplicates

Creating An Array

```
int[] numbers = new int[3];
```

- Creates new array with three elements named "numbers"
- Each element is initialized to 0
- What type is the variable "numbers"?



Creating An Initialized Array

```
int[] myNumbers = new int[] {42, 55, 99};  
int[] numbers2 = {42, 55, 99};
```

- When initializing, we can leave off the "new int[]" part

element:	42	55	99
index:	0	1	2

Creating An Array: Syntax

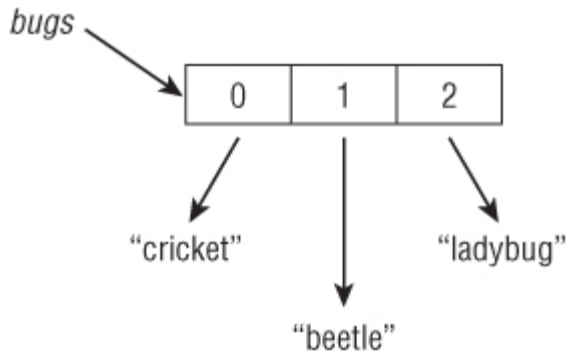
- Which of these is valid Java syntax?

```
int[] myArray1;  
int [] myArray2;  
int myArray3[];  
int myArray4 [];
```

Creating An Array of Objects

```
String[] bugs = {"cricket", "beetle", "ladybug"};
```

- Array only contains references to the objects, not the objects themselves



- In the following example, what does each item in the list initialize to?

```
String[] foods = new String[5];
```

Using Arrays

- To access an item in an array we use the "varName[index]" notation
- We can get the size of an array using the "length" attribute

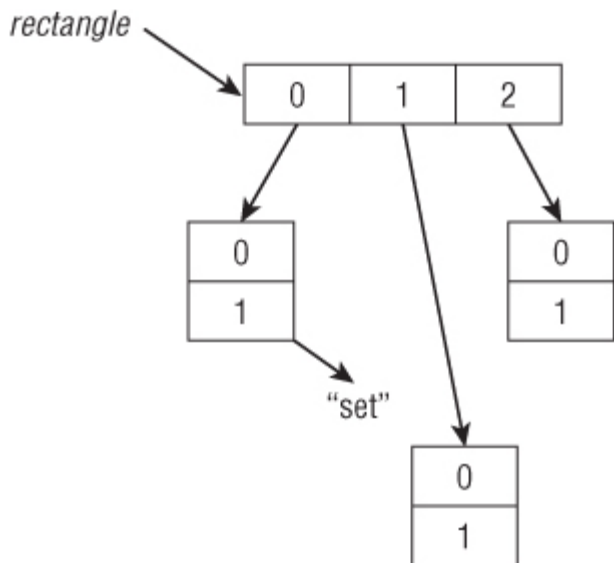
```
String[] animals = {"tiger", "kangaroo", "shark"};  
System.out.println(animals[0]); // tiger  
System.out.println(animals[2]); // shark  
System.out.println(animals.length); // 3
```

Practice!

- Open up Favorites.java

Multidimensional Arrays

- Arrays can have more than one dimension
- `String[][] rectangle = new String[3][2];`



Practice!

- Open up TwoDimArray.java

Strings

- A sequence of characters
- `String myName = "Ammon";`
 - Is this a primitive type?
 - If not, why no "new" keyword?

String Concatenation

- To combine two strings we use the + operator
- When strings are concatenated with numbers, the numbers are converted to strings

```
- System.out.print("abc" + "de"); //abcde  
- System.out.print(99 + " red balloons"); //99 red balloons  
- System.out.print(9 + 9 + " red balloons"); //18 red balloons
```

String Concatenation Rules

- Rules to follow when concatenating:
 - When "adding" two numbers use numeric addition
 - Use string concatenation otherwise
 - Go left to right

```
int three = 3;  
String four = "4";  
System.out.println(1 + 2 + three + four);
```

String Immutability

- Mutable = changeable
- An immutable object is one that can't be changed once it is created
- Strings are immutable

String Immutability

- What does the following code print out?

```
String s1 = '1';  
String s2 = s1.concat("2");  
s2.concat("3");  
System.out.println(s2);
```

String Comparison

```
String a = "12345";  
String b = "12345";  
  
//How will the following variables be set?  
boolean ref_equality = (a == b) ? true : false;  
boolean val_equality = (a.equals(b)) ? true : false;
```


The String Pool

- In order to save memory, Java reuses string literals

```
String a = "Error";  
String b = "Error";
```

- In this code the variables a and b will both point to a single copy of "Error" in the Java String Pool

String Methods

- `length()` - returns the length of a string
 - Don't confuse with the `".length"` attribute of arrays

```
String axiom = "Java Rocks!";  
System.out.print(axiom.length()); //11
```

- `charAt(int index)` - returns the character at the specified index

```
System.out.print(axiom.charAt(5)); //R  
System.out.print(axiom.charAt(15)); //Error!
```

String Methods

- `indexOf(char c)` - returns the index of a given character or string
 - `indexOf(String s)`

```
String truth = "I love Java!";  
System.out.print(truth.indexOf('v')); //4  
System.out.print(truth.indexOf("Java")); //7  
System.out.print(truth.indexOf("C++")); //-1
```

- `substring(int start, int end)` - returns part of a string
 - `substring(int start)`

```
System.out.print(truth.substring(7, 11) + " loves me");  
//Java Loves me
```

String Methods

- toLowerCase() - converts all letters in the string to lower case
 - toUpperCase()

```
String lie = "Java is Hard";  
System.out.print(lie.toLowerCase()); //java is hard  
System.out.print(lie.toUpperCase()); //JAVA IS HARD
```

- equals(String s) - checks value equality
 - equalsIgnoreCase(String s)

```
System.out.print(lie.equals("java is hard")); //false  
System.out.print(lie.equalsIgnoreCase("java is hard")); //true
```

String Methods

- `startsWith(String prefix)` - indicates if the string starts with the given prefix
- `endsWith(String suffix)` - indicates if the string ends with the given suffix
- `contains(String s)` - indicates if the string contains the given substring
- `replace(char c, char d)` - replaces one char in the string with another
 - `replace(String s, String t)`
- `trim()` - trims off all whitespace before and after the string

String Method Chaining

- What does the following print out?

```
String result = " My Programs Never Have Bugs ".trim()  
                .toLowerCase().substring(3)  
                .replace("never", "always");  
System.out.println(result);
```

Practice

- Open up Strings.java!

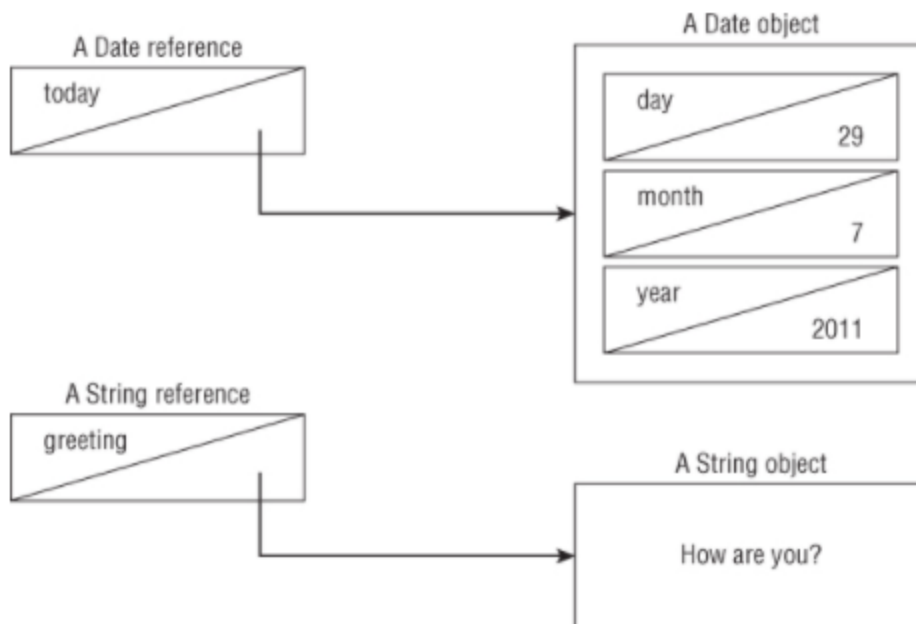
Primitives

- Primitives are the basic building blocks of everything in Java
- A primitive value is held directly in memory
- It cannot be null
- It cannot have any methods

Keyword	Type	Example
boolean	true or false	true
byte	8-bit integral value	123
short	16-bit integral value	123
int	32-bit integral value	123
long	64-bit integral value	123
float	32-bit floating-point value	123.45f
double	64-bit floating-point value	123.456
char	16-bit Unicode value	'a'

Reference Types

- A reference type holds the memory address of a Java object
- It can be set to null and can have methods



Value Equality vs. Identity Equality

- When comparing numbers we use the `==` operator
- When comparing objects the `==` operator compares references and not the actual objects themselves.
- To compare the actual objects we override and use the `equals()` method

Example!

- Open up Duck.java

Wrapper Classes

- Frequently, Java data structures only accept objects
- If we want to store primitives in these containers then we have to wrap them in an object first
- Java has wrapper classes that correspond to each primitive type

Primitive type	Wrapper class	Example of constructing
boolean	Boolean	<code>new Boolean(true)</code>
byte	Byte	<code>new Byte((byte) 1)</code>
short	Short	<code>new Short((short) 1)</code>
int	Integer	<code>new Integer(1)</code>
long	Long	<code>new Long(1)</code>
float	Float	<code>new Float(1.0)</code>
double	Double	<code>new Double(1.0)</code>
char	Character	<code>new Character('c')</code>

Varargs

- Varargs is short for variable arguments
- It is a method parameter that can accept any number of items
- It can be treated much like an array by the called method
- A method may only have one varargs parameter and it must be last

```
public static void printNumbers(int... numbers){ //
    for(int i=0; i<numbers.length; i++){
        System.out.print(numbers[i] + " ");
    }
}
public static void main(String[] args){
    printNumbers(1); //1
    printNumbers(5, 3, 8); //5 3 8
}
```

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That's All For Today!