

Chapter 3: Meet Classes

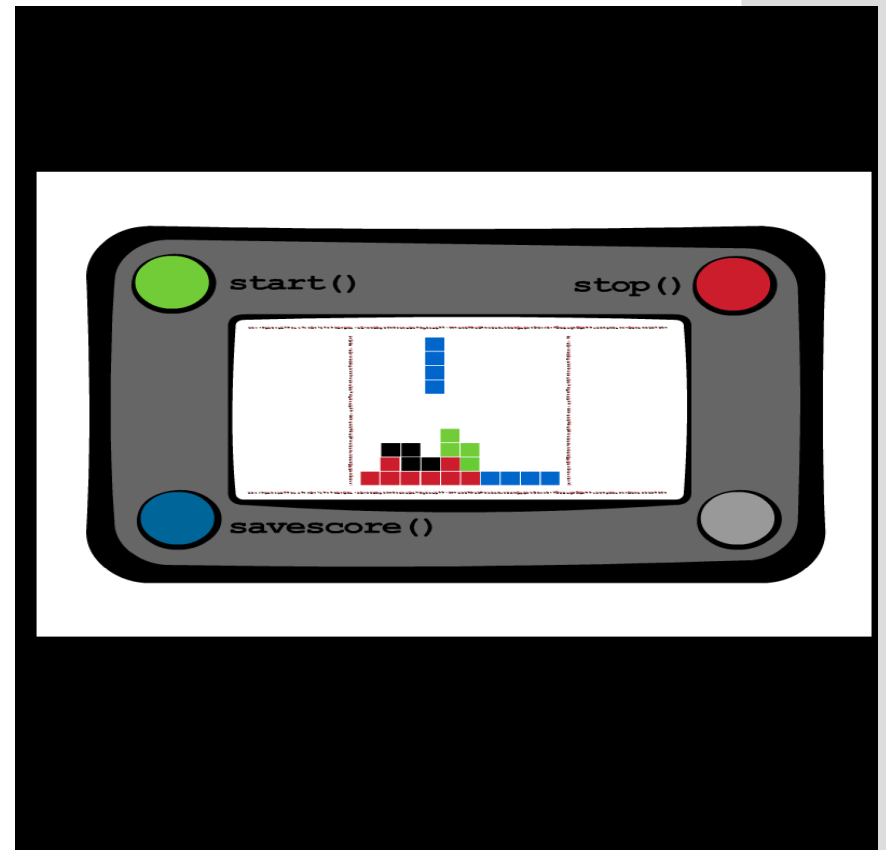
Java Programming for Kids

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Lesson 1: Classes and Objects

The Class **VideoGame**

```
class VideoGame {  
  
    int price;  
  
    void start () {  
        // Code to start the game  
    }  
  
    void stop () {  
        // Code to stop the game  
    }  
}
```

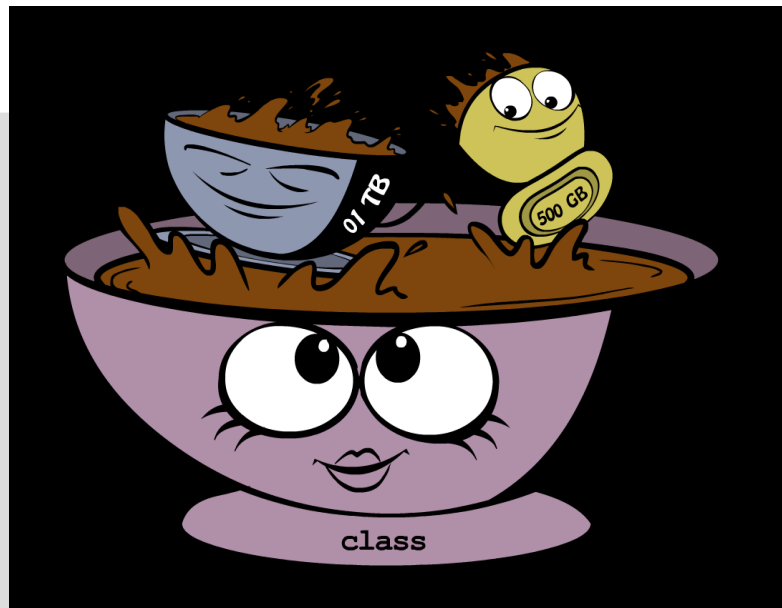


The Class PlayStation4

```
class PlayStation4{  
  
    int hardDiskSize;  
    // Some other attributes and methods  
  
    void shareOnFacebook(){  
        // Code to share on Facebook  
    }  
  
    void shareOnTwitter(){  
        // Code to share on Twitter  
    }  
}
```

Creating PlayStation Objects

```
public class CreatePlayStation4Objects {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        PlayStation4 firstPlayStation =  
            new PlayStation4();  
        firstPlayStation.shareOnFacebook();  
    }  
}
```



Java Data Types and Variables

We need to declare:

- *the variable type*
- *the variable name*

→ `String theNameOfMyFriend;`
→ `int hardDiskSize;`

Java Data Types and Variables

The method parameters (a.k.a. arguments) are also stored in variables.

→ `void saveScore(String playerName, int score);`

Java Data Types and Variables

Simple Java data types are called primitives.

→ `int myScore=5;`

→ `myScore=myScore+1;`

Variable Initialization

```
char grade = 'A';
```

```
int chairs = 12;
```

```
boolean playSound = false;
```

```
float gamePrice = 12.50f;
```

Classes as Data Types

- ♦ `VideoGame myFirstGame;`
- ♦ `Pet myPet;`
- ♦ `Integer numberOfPlayers;`
- ♦ `Double mySalary;`
- ♦ `Boolean mailAlert;`
- ♦ `Etc.`

Quiz

We've used a variable of type `int` to store the price in the class `VideoGame`.

Is there a more suitable primitive data type for storing prices?

Objects

```
public class CreatePlayStation4Objects {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        // create one instance of PlayStation4 class  
        PlayStation4 firstPlayStation = new PlayStation4();  
  
        // call the method shareOnFacebook  
        firstPlayStation.shareOnFacebook();  
    }  
}
```

Creation of a Pet

```
public class Pet {  
  
    int age;  
    float weight;  
    String color;  
  
    public String talk(String aWord){  
        String petResponse = "OK!! OK!! " +aWord;  
        return petResponse;  
    }  
  
}
```

Challenge Yourself!

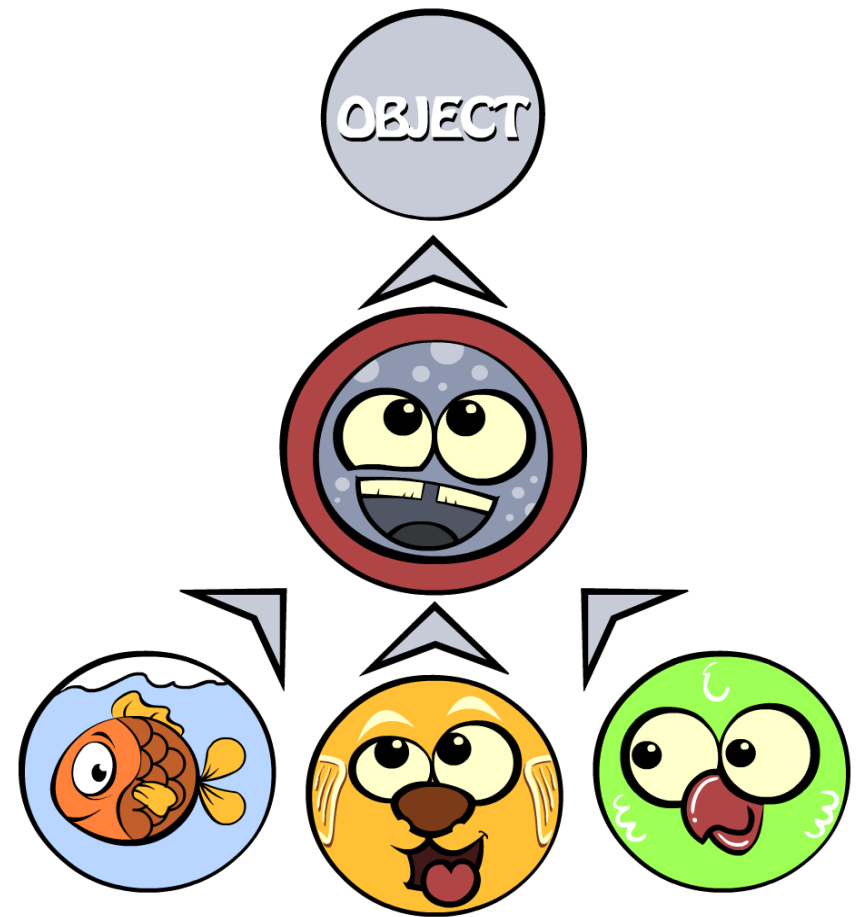
- Create a class *Dog*
- Declare an attribute *name* in the class Dog
- Declare a method *bark* in the class Dog
- Create an instance of the class Dog
- Call the method bark



Lesson 2: Inheritance

Fish Don't Talk

```
public String  
talk(String something){  
return "Don't you know  
that fish do not  
talk?";  
}  
  
class Fish extends Pet{  
}
```



Not all pets can dive

```
public class Fish extends Pet {  
  
    int currentDepth=0;  
  
    public int dive(int howDeep){  
  
        currentDepth=currentDepth + howDeep;  
  
        return currentDepth;  
  
    }  
}
```

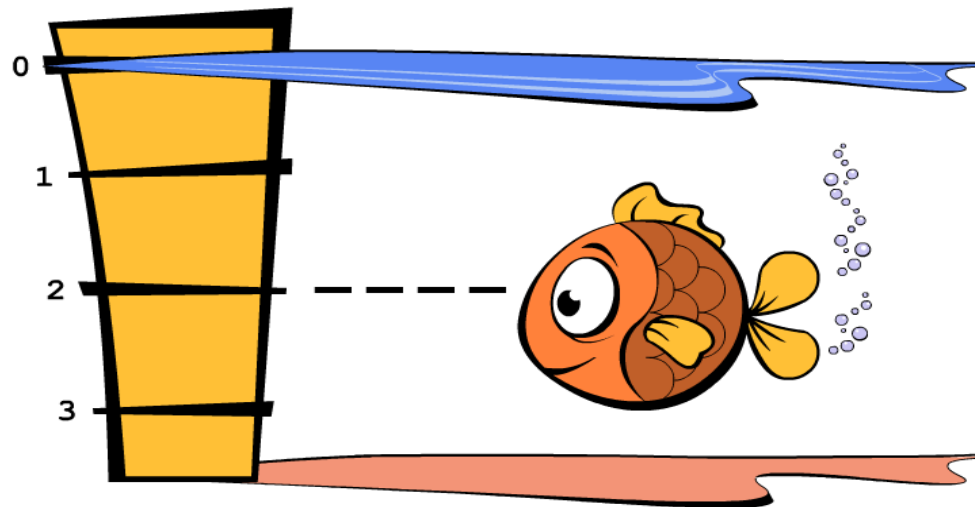
Fish Master

```
public class FishMaster {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Fish myFish = new Fish();
```

```
        myFish.dive(2);  
        myFish.dive(3);  
        myFish.sleep();
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```



Method Overriding

```
public class PetMaster {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String fishReaction;  
  
        Fish myFish = new Fish();  
  
        fishReaction = myFish.talk("Hello");  
  
        System.out.println(fishReaction);  
    }  
}
```

Challenge Yourself!

1. Create a Java class `Car` with the following methods:

- `public void start()`
- `public void stop()`
- `public int drive(int howlong)`

2. Write another class `CarOwner` with the method `main` that creates an instance of the object `Car` and call its methods. The result of each method call has to be printed using `System.out.println();`

Challenge Yourself!

3. Create a subclass of `Car` named `JamesBondCar` and override the method `drive` there. Now use the following formula to calculate the distance: `distance = howlong*180;`

4. Create an instance of the class `JamesBondCar` in the `main` method of `CarOwner`. Re-run the program `CarOwner` to see that it calls the overridden method.

Extra Challenge

- Use FreeTTS, a Java Speech API implementation, to make your pets talk with a human-like voice
- http://www.adam-bien.com/roller/abien/entry/merry_christmas1