



Java I/O Streams,
Readers & Writers

Questions & Answers

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Note that InputStream, OutputStream, and Reader are also abstract classes

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`Serializable` is a marker interface.

It does not contain any method and it is used to provide information about an object at runtime.

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`File` class is used to read both files and directories within a file system.

The other three classes do not exist. Note that there is an NIO.2 interface, `java.nio.file.Path`, used to read both file and path information.

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Q 4

Which statement best describes the difference between a `Writer` and an `OutputStream` class?

`OutputStream` is used to write bytes. `Writer` is used to write character data.
Both can write character data, both contain `flush()` method,
Both can be used with a `byte` array.

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- C. `FileWriter` and `BufferedWriter`
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Let's say you want to write a lot of text data to a file in an efficient manner. Which two `java.io` stream classes are best to use?

`FileWriter` and `BufferedWriter` can be used in conjunction to write large amounts of text data to a file in an efficient manner.

`FileOutputStream` and `BufferedOutputStream` are used for binary data. Classes in answer B do not exist. Answer D include classes used for binary.

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