

# Grouping Objects Using Lists and Nested For Loops

Container objects - hold and manage collections of objects

Lists - store sequence of values in order

Sets - store unordered collection of values

Dictionaries/Maps - store lookup tables to find associated data

Interface - only lists declarations (basically names) of the public methods in the class ; you can create an object and implement the methods using the class, since the interface names them already

- regular fields cannot be declared in an interface, although constants can be.
- to create an actual object you need a concrete class, one that implements the interface

```
public interface Drawable
{
    public void draw();
}
public interface Drawing
{
    public void drew();
}

// corresponding classes
public class Rectangle
    implements Drawable,Drawing
{
    // ...
    public void draw()
    {
        // ...
    }
}

public class Circle
    implements Drawable
{
    // ...
    public void draw()
    {
        // ...
    }
}
```

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Lists interface (generic type)

```
List<String> names = ...;
```

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

List<Jeroo> jeroos = ...;

jeroos.add(new Jeroo());
```

## ArrayList

- ArrayList is a class that implements the List interface.
- resizable array

```
List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();
list.add(-2);

int x = list.get(1); // get 2nd item in list

list.set(1, 4); // change 2nd item to value of 4
```

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Some List Interface Methods	
Method Name	Purpose
<code>add(&lt;some value&gt;)</code>	adds an item to the list
<code>get(int &lt;some index&gt;)</code>	returns the item stored at this index
<code>set(int &lt;some index&gt;, &lt;some value&gt;)</code>	sets the item at some index to be some value
<code>clear()</code>	removes all elements from the list
<code>isEmpty()</code>	returns <code>true</code> if a list doesn't have any values stored in it, otherwise <code>false</code>
<code>remove(int &lt;some index&gt;)</code>	removes element at the specified index from the list
<code>size()</code>	returns the number of elements in the list
<code>contains(&lt;some value&gt;)</code>	returns <code>true</code> if the value is in the list, otherwise <code>false</code>
<code>add(&lt;some index&gt;, &lt;some value&gt;)</code>	inserts an item into the list at the specified position, moving other items back by one to make room

Nested for-loops - a for-loop inside a for-loop