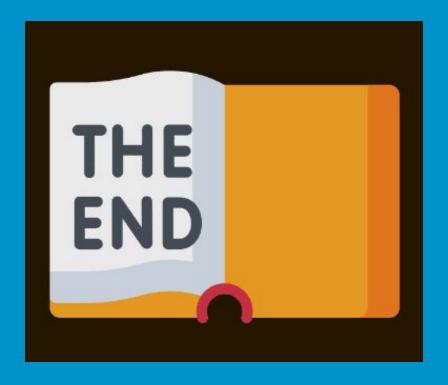
Interfaces

Completely Abstract

Abstract members only!







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Stands for:

- A abstraction
 - P polymorphism
 - I inheritance
 - E encapsulation





Another way to achieve Abstraction is with Interfaces.

C# Abstraction (w3schools.com)

Data abstraction is the process of hiding certain details and showing only essential information to the user.

Shopping without a list



List ensures you don't forget anything



Interfaces act like a list for your code

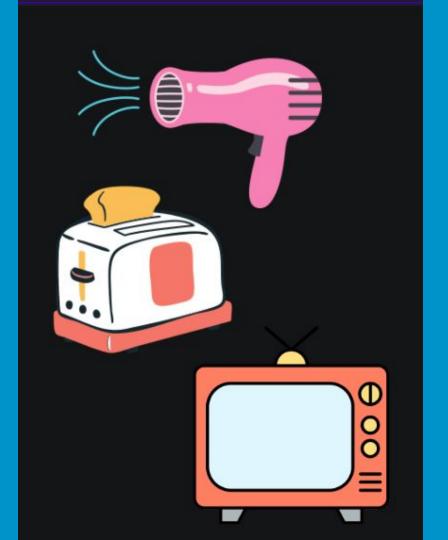


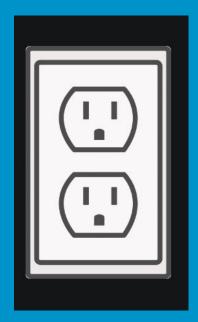
Interfaces - Contract



Electrical Outlet

- The outlet (interface) promises that you'll receive electrical power if you plug into it.
 Various devices (implementing classes) can plug into the outlet. Each device might use the power in different ways, but all receive power.
 - Interface Classes





enforce a contract



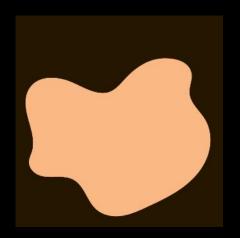


Bottom line:



Contract →





Completely Abstract

An interface is a completely abstract class which **contains only abstract members.** (think stubbed out methods)



The interface itself provides no functionality.



```
5 references
internal interface IShape
    3 references
    public int MyProperty { get; set; }
    3 references
    public void PrintSomeInterface();
```

** everything will be public in an interface You do not need to use the override keyword

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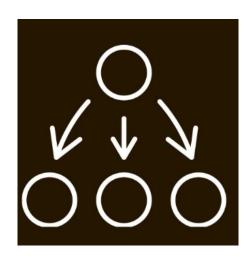


Classes conform to interfaces

Interface naming convention - will start with the letter I

```
2 references
internal class Circle : IShape
    1 reference
    public int MyProperty { get; set; }
    1 reference
    public void PrintSomeInterface()
        Console.WriteLine("Printing the interface");
```

You can implement multiple interfaces



Interfaces Specify Behavior

An interface is NOT a class. It is different from abstract class or base class. A class will implement an interface

Remember:

An interface does not care about the implementation. It merely requires that it is implemented.



Polymorphism

polymorphism

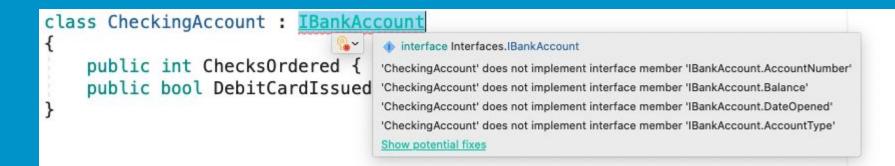
Benefits of Interfaces



- Adds ability to classes
- Acts as a checklist (contract)
- Focuses on functionality of your code because it doesn't worry about implementation
- Supports polymorphism, allowing objects of different classes to be treated as objects of a common interface and processed uniformly.
- Makes code less coupled the implementation of one class can be changed without affecting any other classes that use it, as long as the interface remains consistent

capital I

```
public interface IBankAccount
    public int AccountNumber { get; set; }
    public double CurrentBalance { get; set; }
    public DateTime DateOpened { get; set; }
    public string AccountType { get; set; }
    public void Deposit(double amountToDeposit);
    public void Withdraw(double amountToWithdraw);
```



```
public class CheckingAccount : IBankAccount
   public int AmountOfChecksOrdered { get; set; }
   public bool DebitCardIssued { get; set; }
   public int AccountNumber { get; set; }
   public double CurrentBalance { get; set; }
   public DateTime DateOpened { get; set; }
   public string AccountType { get; set; }
    public void Deposit(double amountToDeposit)
       bool conditional;
        double attemptedAnswer;
            Console.WriteLine("How much would you like to deposit?");
           string number = Console.ReadLine();
            if (double.TryParse(number, out attemptedAnswer))
                amountToDeposit = attemptedAnswer;
            Console.WriteLine("Would you like to make another depsoit? Yes or No");
           string answer = Console.ReadLine().ToLower();
           if (answer == "yes")
                conditional = true;
           else
                conditional = false;
        } while (conditional);
        CurrentBalance += amountToDeposit;
    public void Withdraw(double amountToWithdraw)
        bool conditional = true;
        double attemptedAnswer;
            Console.WriteLine("How much would you like to withdraw?");
           string number = Console.ReadLine();
            if (amountToWithdraw >= CurrentPalance)
```

A class can conform to multiple interfaces

```
class CheckingAccount: IBankAccount, IPersonalInformation
   public long SocialSecurityNumber { get; set; }
   public string FirstName { get; set; }
   public char MiddleInitial { get; set; }
   public string LastName { get; set; }
   public string EmailAddress { get; set; }
   public long PhoneNumber { get; set; }
   public int ChecksOrdered { get; set; }
    public bool DebitCardIssued { get; set; }
   public long AccountNumber { get; set; }
   public double Balance { get; set; }
   public string DateOpened { get; set; }
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```

Takeaway

Abstract members only!



Extending Interfaces:

- An interface can inherit from another interface.
- It allows for the creation of new interfaces based on existing ones.
- When one interface inherits from another, it takes on all the member declarations of the inherited interface.

Multiple Inheritance: C# does not support multiple inheritance for classes, but they do allow a class to implement multiple interfaces.

Contract Definition: An interface defines a contract that classes or structs can implement. It

No Implementation: Interfaces do not provide implementation for their members.

specifies "what" operations can be done but not "how" they're done.

Polymorphism: Interfaces support polymorphism, enabling you to interact with different objects in

a consistent way by referring to their interface type.