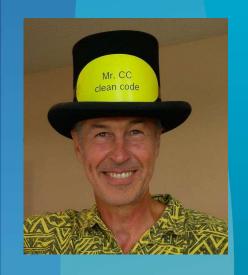
LIFE CYCLE SESSION 1 TOOLS AND ACTIVITIES

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C++ Basics: Lifecycle Session 1 Solution 1 and 2

- ▶ Is this compilable, and if not, why?
- Yes
- No, cause ...
- ► The most vexing parse C++
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Most_vexing_parse
 - class T; is a declaration of a class named T
 - ightharpoonup T t(); is interpreted as a declaration of a function named t returning an object of T
 - Everything that looks like a function declaration will be interpreted as one
 - Declarations are allowed in functions

```
9 void exercisel(){
10
11     class T;
12
13     T t();
14
15 }
```



C++ Basics: Lifecycle Session 1 Solution 1 and 2

- ► Is this compilable, and if not, why?
- Yes
- \bowtie No, cause T t2 = t; is the definition of an object t2, which requires
 - the definition of class $T\{\}$;
 - with an constructor expecting a function as an argument: T(T()){}
 - but there is no such constructor in class T

```
17 void exercise2(){
18
19 class T{};
20
21 T t();
22
23 T t2 = t;
24 }
```



C++ Basics: Lifecycle Session 1 Solution 2

▶ Compiler Message

```
../src/exercises.cpp:21:9: error:
```

conversion from 'exercise2()::T()' to non-scalar type 'exercise2()::T' requested

$$T t2 = t;$$



C++ Basics: Lifecycle Session 1 Solution 3

- ► Is this compilable, and if not, why?
- Yes
- No, cause

T t; is the definition of an object of T and
T t2 = t; is also the definition of an object t2, which requires
the definition of class T{}; but there is only a class T; declaration

```
23 void exercise3(){
24
25     class T;
26
27     T t;
28
29     T t2 = t;
30 }
```



C++ Basics: Lifecycle Session 1 Solution 3

```
Compiler Message
```

```
../src/exercises.cpp:29:4: error:
aggregate 'exercise3()::T t' has incomplete type and cannot be defined
   T t;
   ^
   ../src/exercises.cpp:31:4: error:
variable 'exercise3()::T t2' has initializer but incomplete type
   T t2 = t;
```



C++ Basics: Lifecycle Session 1 Solution 4

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- ▶ Is this compilable, and if not, why?
- Yes, cause
 - Tt; is the definition of an object of class T namedt, initialized by the compiler synthesized default constructor
 - T t2 = t; is the definition of another object t2 initialized by the compiler synthesized copy constructor
 - which requires the definition of class T{};

```
33 void exercise4(){
34
35 class T{};
36
37 T t;
38
39 T t2 = t;
40 }
```

