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Exceptions : Try, Catch, Throw

- 1) LBYL : Look before You Leave

```
private static int divideLBYL(int x, int y) {  
    if(y != 0) {  
        return x / y;  
    } else {  
        return 0;  
    }  
}
```

- 2) EAFP : Easy to Ask Forgiveness Permission

```
private static int divideEAFP(int x, int y) {  
    try {  
        return x / y;  
    } catch(ArithmeticException e) {  
        return 0;  
    }  
}
```

Throwing an exception :-

```
try {  
    return x / y;  
} catch(ArithmeticException e) {  
    throw new ArithmeticException("attempt to divide by zero");  
}
```

Writing content - FileWriter class and Finally block :

```
try  
{  
    locFile = new FileWriter("locations.txt");  
    for(Location location : locations.values())  
    {  
        locFile.write(location.getLocationID() + "," + location.getDescription() + "\n");  
    }  
}  
catch(IOException e)  
{  
    System.out.println("In catch block");  
    e.printStackTrace();  
}  
finally  
{  
    System.out.println("in finally block");  
    try  
    {  
        if(locFile != null)  
        {
```

```

        System.out.println("Attempting to close locfile");
        locFile.close();
    }
}
catch(IOException e)
{
    e.printStackTrace();
}
}

```

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/technotes/guides/language/try-with-resources.html>

Java 7 added new feature :

```

try(FileWriter locFile = new FileWriter("locations.txt"))
{
    for(Location location : locations.values())
    {
        locFile.write(location.getLocationID() + "," + location.getDescription() + "\n");
    }
}

```

Reading data from a file :-

```

Scanner scanner = null;
try
{
    scanner = new Scanner(new FileReader("locations.txt"));
    scanner.useDelimiter(",");
    while(scanner.hasNextLine()) {
        int loc = scanner.nextInt();
        scanner.skip(scanner.delimiter());
        String description = scanner.nextLine();
        System.out.println("Imported loc: " + loc + ": " + description);
        Map<String, Integer> tempExit = new HashMap<>();
        locations.put(loc, new Location(loc, description, tempExit));
    }
}

```

// Now read the exits

```

try (BufferedReader dirFile = new BufferedReader(new FileReader("directions_big.txt"))) {
    String input;
    while((input = dirFile.readLine()) != null)
    { ..... }
}

```

The process of translating a data structure or object into a format that can be stored and recreated is called **Serialization**.

Java NIO Package : In Java 1.4, A new package was added to the Java SDK.

Called java.nio, the package was described as an improvement to Java I/O because the classes in the package perform I/O in a non-blocking manner.

// Reading data

```

try (BufferedReader dirFile = Files.newBufferedReader(dirPath))
{

```

```

String input;
while ((input = dirFile.readLine()) != null)
{
    String[] data = input.split(",");
    int loc = Integer.parseInt(data[0]);
    String direction = data[1];
}
}
catch (IOException e)
{
    e.printStackTrace();
}

```

Java NIO - Reading and Writing

```

Path dataPath = FileSystems.getDefault().getPath("data.txt");
Files.write(dataPath, "\nLine 5".getBytes("UTF-8"), StandardOpenOption.APPEND); //writing
List<String> lines = Files.readAllLines(dataPath);
for(String line : lines) {
    System.out.println(line);
}

```

Writing data to a data.dat file :-

```

try(FileOutputStream binFile = new FileOutputStream("data.dat");
    FileChannel binChannel = binFile.getChannel())
{

    byte[] outputBytes = "Hello World!".getBytes();
    ByteBuffer buffer = ByteBuffer.wrap(outputBytes);
    int numBytes = binChannel.write(buffer);
    System.out.println("numBytes written was: " + numBytes);
.....
}

```

File System :-

Each folder, which is also referred to as a directory, is also a node in a path. And then, of course, theirs the file itself.

Absolute Path : Specify root mode (starting from which location)

Relative Path : Doesn't specify a root node, it doesn't contain enough information to identify the file.

Reading a file using a given Path :-

```

private static void printFile(Path path)
{
    try(BufferedReader fileReader = Files.newBufferedReader(path))
    {
        String line;
        while((line = fileReader.readLine()) != null) {
            System.out.println(line);
        }
    }
    catch(IOException e)
    {
        System.out.println(e.getMessage());
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}

```

Getting Path from a working project :-

```
Path path = FileSystems.getDefault().getPath("FileName.txt");
printFile(path);
```

For a random path :-

```
filePath = Paths.get("C:\\whole\\path\\fileName.txt");
printFile(path);
```

Get Current Path :-

```
filePath = Paths.get(".");
System.out.println(filePath.toAbsolutePath());
```

FileSystems.getDefault().getPath(".") is same as Paths.get(".");

Copy a File :-

```
Files.copy(sourceFilePath, copyFilePath);
```

Move a File :-

```
Files.move(fileToMove, destination);
```

Delete a File :-

```
Files.delete(fileToDelete);
Files.deleteIfExists(fileToDelete);
```

Create a File :-

```
Files.createFile(fileToCreate);
```

Create a Directory :-

```
Files.createDirectory(dirToCreate);
```

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/nio/file/Files.html>

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/nio/file/attribute/BasicFileAttributes.html>

Read name of all files in a Directory:-

```
Path directory = FileSystems.getDefault().getPath("DirectoryName\\Folder");
try (DirectoryStream<Path> contents = Files.newDirectoryStream(directory))
    // instead of \\ we can use File.separator
{
    for (Path file : contents)
    {
        System.out.println(file.getFileName());
    }
}
catch (IOException | DirectoryIteratorException e)
{
    System.out.println(e.getMessage());
}
```

A filter can also be pass on Files.newDirectoryStream as another argument to filter all files in the directory.

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/nio/file/FileSystem.html#getPathMatcher-java.lang.String->

Walk the Directory :- To read all the files and directory, files/directories that are itself in a directory can be read.

Take away :- It's to use java.nio when working with a file system. But when it comes to reading and writing file contents, sometimes java.io streams are still the better choice.