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1. Earlier, if you wanted to group interface-related **utils** or **factory** methods, you had to create a separate class which is final and constructor is private.  
   But thanks now we have static methods inside interface.  
   <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/45780952/what-is-the-purpose-of-a-static-method-in-interface-from-java-8>
2. **Two reasons**:
   1. To create instances of those interfaces 🡺 Predicate::isEqual, Comparator::comparing
   2. To provide utility methods 🡺 Stream::of
3. **Exception**: We have **Collector interface** still it’s all utility methods are inside **Collectors class** to avoid clutter inside Collector (API).