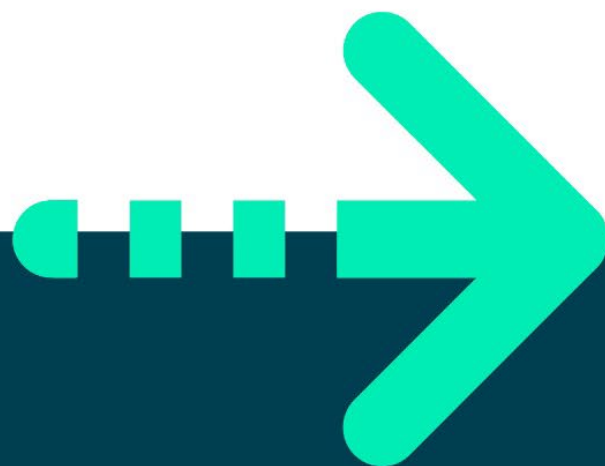




# Enums and Strings





## Objective

See how to define and use the **enum** keyword to define a new type. Consolidate on knowledge of the functionality of class **String** and introduce the very useful **StringBuilder** class.

### Part 1 – Using an enum

1. Open the Game project you created previously.
2. Circle/oval is not the only shape! You can give the Ball class a property that dictates its shape. However, the shape must be limited to a list which you define. Let's create this type as an **enum**.
3. Define a new **enum** type called **SHAPE\_TYPE** with the following values:

**Rectangle**  
**ThreeDRectangle**  
**RoundRectangle**  
**Oval**  
**Arc**

Please create this **enum** outside of the Ball class or in its own file.

4. Now you can see the name **Ball** does not look like a good choice! Please change the name Ball to **Shape** in your project. The best way to do this is to open the Ball class, right-click on the word **Ball**, and then choose the **Refactor**→**Rename** menu options. The editor will change all references to Ball.
5. Define a new private field called **shapeType** of type **SHAPE\_TYPE** as: **private SHAPE\_TYPE shapeType;**
6. Create a getter for this field.
7. Set this value inside the constructor.  
Tip: Add a parameter of type SHAPE\_TYPE to the constructor.
8. Back in the paint method, you can now examine the **getShapeType()** to see what to draw. for example:  

```
if ( getShapeType() == SHAPE_TYPE.RoundRectangle)  
    g.drawRoundRectangle(.....);
```
9. Run your application to see different shapes bouncing about!  
You can also change the colour of your shape by creating a new field of type **Color** (like: **private Color colour;**)  
Set its value in the shape's constructor and also create a getter method.  
You can then use this in paint when drawing a shape using code like:  

```
g.setColor( shape.getColour() );  
g.drawRect(...);
```



## Part 2 – Using String

1. Expand `main()`, and declare a **String** called `Name` whose value is any first name of any length greater than three characters.
2. Display its third character using `charAt()` (can also be done with `substring()`).
3. Display it converted to lowercase and to uppercase.
4. Use an enhanced **for** loop to iterate over its characters (use `toCharArray()`) and display each of them tab separated. Throw a line feed after this display.
5. Display whether it **startsWith** a **String** of your choosing.
6. Display whether it **endsWith** a **String** of your choosing.
7. Use `indexOf` to display the position in the **String** of the first occurrence of a character that you know is in the **String**, and also for a character that you know is not in the **String**.
8. Concatenate the 'name' with a surname of your choice to make a variable called '`fullname`' preferably with a space in the middle, then display this `fullname`. Concatenation is ok if it is all done in one statement.

## Part 3 – Using StringBuilder

1. Back in `main()`, create a **StringBuilder** object called '`sb`'. Use the constructor that allows you to initialise the object to contain the **String** '`Bruce Springsteen<space>`'.  
  
(You can use the name of your favorite artist instead!)
2. Now use the `append()` instance method of *StringBuilder* to append exactly the text '`is the artist ever`' (no error in that!).
3. Use the `toString()` method of the **StringBuilder** to produce a string that you can display to see the current value of the **StringBuilder**.  
  
You are looking at a strange sentence that needs some amending.
4. Now we would like you to `insert()` an adjective in front of the word 'artist'. Words like 'greatest' obviously spring to mind, but make your own choice.
5. Now use the `replace()` method of **StringBuilder** to replace the word 'artist' with a noun of your own choice, e.g., 'rock singer'. Display the final result.

