

## Let's make some tea...

**Let's step through making a tea and trace through how the template method works. You'll see that the template method controls the algorithm; at certain points in the algorithm, it lets the subclass supply the implementation of the steps...**

### Behind the Scenes



- 1 Okay, first we need a Tea object...  
`Tea myTea = new Tea();`

- 2 Then we call the template method:  
`myTea.prepareRecipe();`  
which follows the algorithm for making caffeine beverages...

- 3 First we boil water:  
`boilWater();`  
which happens in CaffeineBeverage.

- 4 Next we need to brew the tea, which only the subclass knows how to do:  
`brew();`

- 5 Now we pour the tea in the cup; this is the same for all beverages so it happens in CaffeineBeverage:  
`pourInCup();`

- 6 Finally, we add the condiments, which are specific to each beverage, so the subclass implements this:  
`addCondiments();`

```
boilWater();
brew();
pourInCup();
addCondiments();
```

The `prepareRecipe()` method controls the algorithm, no one can change this, and it counts on subclasses to provide some or all of the implementation.

