



# AccountCreator Interface

Creates Account records that will be associated with Chatter Answers users.

## Namespace

[ChatterAnswers](#)

## Usage

The `ChatterAnswers.AccountCreator` is specified in the `registrationClassName` attribute of a `chatteranswers:registration` Visualforce component. This interface is called by Chatter Answers and allows for custom creation of Account records used for portal users.

To implement the `ChatterAnswers.AccountCreator` interface, you must first declare a class with the `implements` keyword as follows:

```
public class ChatterAnswersRegistration implements ChatterAnswers.AccountCreator {
```

Next, your class must provide an implementation for the following method:

```
public String createAccount(String firstname, String lastname, Id siteAdminId) {  
    // Your code here  
}
```

The implemented method must be declared as `global` or `public`.

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## AccountCreator Methods

The following are methods for `AccountCreator`.

- [createAccount\(firstName, lastName, siteAdminId\)](#)  
Accepts basic user information and creates an Account record. The implementation of this method returns the account ID.

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#### Signature

```
public String createAccount(String firstName, String lastName, Id siteAdminId)
```

#### Parameters

*firstName*



Type: [String](#)

The last name of the user who is registering.

#### *siteAdminId*

Type: [ID](#)

The user ID of the Site administrator, used for notification if any exceptions occur.

#### Return Value

Type: [String](#)

## AccountCreator Example Implementation

This is an example implementation of the `ChatterAnswers.AccountCreator` interface. The `createAccount` method implementation accepts user information and creates an Account record. The method returns a `String` value for the Account ID.

```
public class ChatterAnswersRegistration implements ChatterAnswers.AccountCreator {  
    public String createAccount(String firstname, String lastname, Id siteAdminId) {  
        Account a = new Account(name = firstname + ' ' + lastname, ownerId = siteAdminId);  
        insert a;  
        return a.Id;  
    }  
}
```

This example tests the code above.

```
@isTest  
private class ChatterAnswersCreateAccountTest {  
    static testMethod void validateAccountCreation() {  
        User[] user = [SELECT Id, Firstname, Lastname FROM User WHERE UserType='Standard'];  
        if (user.size() == 0) { return; }  
        String firstName = user[0].FirstName;  
        String lastName = user[0].LastName;  
        String userId = user[0].Id;  
        String accountId = new ChatterAnswersRegistration().createAccount(firstName, lastName, userId);  
        Account acct = [SELECT name, ownerId FROM Account WHERE Id =: accountId];  
        System.assertEquals(firstName + ' ' + lastName, acct.name);  
        System.assertEquals(userId, acct.ownerId);  
    }  
}
```

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