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|  | **String Buffer** | **String Builder** |
| 1) | String Buffer is *synchronized* i.e. thread safe. It means two threads can't call the methods of String Buffer simultaneously. | String Builder is *non-synchronized* i.e. not thread safe. It means two threads can call the methods of String Builder simultaneously. |
| 2) | String Buffer is *less efficient* than String Builder. | String Builder is *more efficient* than String Buffer. |
| 3) | String Buffer was introduced in Java 1.0 | String Builder was introduced in Java 1.5 |
| 4 | String is immutable whereas String buffer | String Builder are mutable classes |