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Inheritance

- is-a relationship
- Parent -> Super
- Child -> Sub

Super (Demo01)

- super is a keyword that can be used to call the super class ${\sf Ctor}$ as well as super class methods

Method Overriding (Demo 02)

- If we keep the name and signature of method in sub class same as that of super class then it is called as method overriding
- Why to do method overriding?
- 1. To avoid confunsions at the time of method call on sub class instance.
 - 2. To make the generalized methods specialized.

Types of (class)Inheritance

- 1. Single Inheritance
- 2. Hirerachical
- 3. Multilevel

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- java does not support multiple class inheritance
- java does not support multiple implementation inheritance

upcasting

keeping the objects of subclass into super class reference is called as upcasting

Dynamic Method Dispatch

- The reference of superclass will always call the methods of the object to which it is pointing.
- This dynamic behaviour of calling the methods at run time is called as Dynamic Method Dispatch

Downcasting (Demo04)

- Converting the superclass reference to the sub class reference is called as downcasting.
- At the time of downcasting the super class reference should point at the same object of the sub class.
- If the Super class reference is pointing at some differnt object and downcasting is done then we get the exception called as ClassCastException

instanceof (Demo05)

- instanceof operator is used to check the reference is holding which type of object.

Final Method (Demo06)

- If the super class method is complete and we dont want to allow the sub classes to override it then make such super class methods as final

Final Class (Demo06)

- If the super class implementation is 100% complete and you dont want the super class to be inherited into any subclasses then make the class as final

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Object class

- It is superclass of all the classes in java
- Object class is inside java.lang package
- Object class has total 11 Methods
- For eg few methods are listed below
 - boolean equals(Object obj)
 - String toString()

toString (Demo07)

- Object class has a method toString() which is responsible to return the String representation of state of the object.
- If user defined class do not override toString method of object class then object class toString method gets called with represents the state of object in a way as below.
 - com.sunbeaminfo.entities.Person@6ff3c5b5
 - FullyQualifiedClassName@HashCode

Abstarct class & method (Demo 09)

- If user do not know the implementation of the method and do not want to provide the method body then such methods can be made as abstract
- abstact methods should be kept inside abstact classes.
- If a class is abstract you cannot create object of such class.
- You can create only reference of the abstact class
- Abstact class is used to keep the method design same acress all related types of classes.

equals Method (Demo 10)

- If you want to check the equality between user defined class objects then you have to override the object class equals method
- The logic on which the equlity needs to be checked can be implemented as per the user requirement
- the equals method return boolean value so we should return true or false depending on the conditions.
- As equals method catches the user objects inside parameter of type Object we need to do the downcasting.
- Before downcasting check conditions for null and instance of.

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Lab Work

- Inheritance Demo
- Abstraction Demo