

CS 501 Quiz 2 Review

1. Method overloading
2. Javadoc
3. Exceptions
4. Values vs references
5. Arrays
6. Using Generic classes
7. ArrayList
8. IO Streams
9. Checked vs Unchecked exceptions
10. Class Hierarchies
 - a. Creating a subclass of a superclass
 - b. The keyword “extends”
 - c. The keyword “super”
 - i. Use in subclass constructor
 - ii. Use in subclass methods
 - d. “protected” vs “private” data fields
 - e. Is-a versus Has-a relationships for code re-use
 - f. Assigning superclass variable to subclass instance is valid
 - g. Assigning subclass variable to superclass instance requires explicit cast operator and may throw ClassCastException
11. Polymorphism
 - a. Method overriding versus overloading
 - i. To override a method, the subclass method signature (method name and parameter types) must match the superclass method signature exactly
 - ii. Use “@Override” annotation to guarantee an override is valid
 - b. Invoking a method on a superclass variable assigned to a subclass instance
 - i. The method must be declared (not necessarily implemented) in the superclass, else compile-time error
 - ii. If the method is overridden in the subclass, then the subclass implementation will run, else the superclass implementation will run
 - c. Interfaces
 - i. How to define
 - ii. Can only have abstract methods (no body)
 - iii. All methods are automatically public, abstract
 - iv. All fields are automatically public, static, and final
 - v. Cannot be instantiated
 - vi. Define subclass by using the keyword “implements” unless the subclass is itself an interface, in which case you use the keyword “extends”
 - vii. Allows multiple inheritance
 - viii. Does not allow code to be re-used
 - d. Abstract classes

- i. How to define
 - ii. Cannot be instantiated
 - iii. Can have abstract methods (no body)
 - iv. Can implement some methods
 - v. Define subclass by using the keyword “extends”
 - vi. Does not allow multiple inheritance
 - vii. Allows code to be re-used
- e. Concrete class (also called Actual class)
 - i. Implements all its methods
 - ii. Can be instantiated
 - iii. Define subclass by using the keyword “extends”
 - iv. Does not allow multiple inheritance
 - v. Allows code to be re-used
- f. The Object class
 - i. Every class has Object as a superclass
 - ii. Most classes should override the “toString” and “equals” methods
 - iii. The “getClass” method is useful for determining if two object instances are the same subclass
- g. Code to an interface
 - i. Motivation based on encapsulation and information hiding
 - ii. Ideally, public methods (which specify your API) should be defined in terms of interfaces rather than concrete classes
 - iii. This hides the details of your implementation from the user, which gives you the flexibility to change your implementation in the future
 - iv. However, an interface should be viewed as a contract between you and your user that changes as little as possible over time