

1. What is the Collection framework in Java?

Ans: Collection Framework is a combination of classes and interface, which is used to store and manipulate the

data in the form of objects. It provides various classes such as ArrayList, Vector, Stack, and HashSet, etc. and

interfaces such as List, Queue, Set, etc. for this purpose.

2. What is the difference between ArrayList and LinkedList?

Ans:

ArrayList	LinkedList
To be precise, an ArrayList is a resizable array	LinkedList implements the doubly linked list of the list interface.
Inefficient memory utilization.	Good memory utilization.
Insertion operation is slow.	Insertion operation is fast.
It can be one, two or multi-dimensional.	It can either be single, double or circular LinkedList.
Deletion operation is not very efficient.	Deletion operation is very efficient.

3. What is the difference between Iterator and ListIterator?

Ans:

Iterator	ListIterator
Helps to traverse Map, List and Set.	Can only traverse List and not the other two
Cannot modify or replace elements present in Collection	We can modify or replace elements with the help of set(E e)
Cannot add elements and it throws ConcurrentModificationException.	Can easily add elements to a collection at any time.

4. What is the difference between Iterator and Enumeration?

Ans:

Iterator	Enumeration
Iterator has the remove() method.	Enumeration does not have the remove() method
Iterator is not a legacy interface. Iterator can be used for the traversal of HashMap, LinkedList, ArrayList, HashSet, TreeMap, TreeSet .	Enumeration is a legacy interface which is used for traversing Vector, Hashtable.
Iterator is a universal cursor as it is applicable for all the collection classes.	Enumeration is not a universal cursor as it applies only to legacy classes.

5. What is the difference between List and Set?

Ans: The List and Set both extend the collection interface. However, there are some differences between the two

which are listed below:

- o The List can contain duplicate elements whereas Set includes unique items.
- o The List is an ordered collection which maintains the insertion order whereas Set is an unordered collection

which does not preserve the insertion order.

- o The List interface contains a single legacy class which is Vector class whereas the Set interface does not

have any legacy class.

- o The List interface can allow a number of null values whereas Set interface only allows a single null value.

6. What is the difference between HashSet and TreeSet?

Ans: Both HashSet and TreeSet are implementations of the Set interface in Java, but they have some

differences in terms of their properties and usage.

Ordering: HashSet is an unordered collection of elements, while TreeSet is a sorted set of elements based on

their natural order or a custom comparator.

Duplication: HashSet does not allow duplicate elements, while TreeSet does not allow duplicates as well.

Implementation: HashSet is implemented using a hash table, while TreeSet is implemented using a self-

balancing binary search tree (Red-Black tree).

Performance: HashSet has constant-time complexity $O(1)$ for adding, removing, and testing the existence of

an element, while TreeSet has a logarithmic-time complexity $O(\log n)$ for these operations due to the self-

balancing property.

Memory usage: HashSet uses less memory than TreeSet because it only stores the elements, while TreeSet

stores additional information for maintaining the order@

Iteration: HashSet provides no guarantees regarding the order of iteration, while TreeSet guarantees the

elements are iterated in sorted order@

Usage: HashSet is suitable when ordering is not important, and fast access and membership tests are

needed. A TreeSet is suitable when elements need to be sorted or accessed in a specific order.

7. What is the difference between Array and ArrayList?

Ans: Both arrays and ArrayLists are used to store collections of elements in Java, but they have some

differences in terms of their properties and usage.

Type: Arrays can store elements of primitive data types as well as objects, while ArrayList can only store

objects@

Size: The size of an array is fixed once it is created, while the size of an ArrayList can be dynamically

increased or decreased by adding or removing elements@

Mutability: Arrays are mutable, meaning that you can modify the elements in an array after it has been

created. A ArrayList is also mutable, but the only way to modify it is by adding, removing or modifying

elements@

Performance: Arrays have better performance than ArrayLists for certain operations, such as accessing

elements by index, because they are implemented as a continuous block of memory. A ArrayLists, on the other

hand, use dynamic memory allocation and are implemented as a dynamic array, which may result in more

memory overhead and slower performance for certain operations@

Methods: Arrays have a limited set of methods compared to ArrayLists, which provides more methods for

manipulating the collection, such as adding, removing, and sorting elements.