

Assignment: MySavings

Course: CSE2130 - File Structures and Exception Handling

How has your program changed from planning to coding to now? Please explain?

Originally I had tried to use code from the Roster skillbuilder to complete the assignment, the only thing I had trouble with was loading the object from a file. Copying the object to the file was straightforward.

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    int userChoice = 0, amt;
    Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);

    //PiggyBank account1 = new PiggyBank();

    PiggyBank account = load();
```

As seen in the picture above, the comments represent my previous code/error, I had created a new PiggyBank object each time the code was ran which meant it reset the data and changed the file each time it ran. To fix this I created methods using object/file output/input stream to save and load the object. This was something I wasn't expecting to do and definitely didn't plan to do.

```

//Save and load to file methods for PiggyBank object

// Method to save object to file with output stream
private static void save(PiggyBank account)
{
    try (ObjectOutputStream writeAcc = new ObjectOutputStream(new FileOutputStream(bankFile)))
    {
        writeAcc.writeObject(account);
        System.out.println("PiggyBank saved successfully");
    }
    catch (IOException e)
    {
        System.out.println("File could not be created. Error saving PiggyBank");
        System.err.println("IOException: " + e.getMessage());
    }
}

// Method to load object from a file with input stream
private static PiggyBank load()
{
    try (ObjectInputStream readAcc = new ObjectInputStream(new FileInputStream(bankFile)))
    {
        return (PiggyBank)readAcc.readObject();
    }
    catch (IOException | ClassNotFoundException e)
    {
        // If the file doesn't exist, return new PiggyBank object
        System.out.println("No saved PiggyBank. Loading a new one.");
        return new PiggyBank();
    }
}
}

```

My biggest problem was trying to load the object each time the code was ran but this was solved by using methods.