

Java Programming Training for Experienced Programmers (5 Days)

This Java training course is intended for students with experience in a procedural or object-oriented language. It covers most Java syntax elements, including recent additions such as Generics and AutoBoxing. In addition to the fundamental library classes that would be needed in any Java program, it also covers several other important APIs, including Collections and Streams.

The class introduces the concept of objects as one of the first topics, in order that the later concepts are covered with an OO perspective. The material is based on Java 10.

If you are new to object-oriented programming, you should take our Introduction to Java for New Programmers class instead.

What You'll Learn

- Learn how Java works.
- Understand the "write once, run anywhere" concept.
- Understand and learn how to create basic Java objects.
- Learn how to implement flow-control concepts in Java.
- Understand Java's package concept and create packages of Java classes.
- Understand Java arrays and write code to create and use arrays.
- Learn how to write Java classes using inheritance.
- Learn how to create and use interfaces.
- Understand and use the concept of polymorphism in an application
- Understand how Java's exception-handling mechanism works and learn how to apply exception-handling to Java applications.
- Understand and use the Java Logging API.
- Understand and use inner classes.
- Understand Generics and use them with the Collections API.
- Learn about Java's Streams concept, and how to apply to files using text and binary data.
- Create and run JUnit tests for Java classes.

Prerequisites

Object-oriented Programming Experience in a language such as C++ or C#.

Course Outline

1. Java Introduction

Conventions in These Notes

The Java Environment - Overview

Writing a Java Program

Obtaining The Java Environment

Setting up your Java Environment

Creating a Class That Can Run as a Program

The main() Method

Useful Stuff Necessary to go Further

System.out.println()

Using the Java Documentation

2. Java Basics

Basic Java Syntax

General Syntax Rules

Java Statements

Blocks of Code

Comments

Variables

Data

Primitive Data Types

Object Data Types

Literal Values

Constants and the final keyword

Mathematics in Java

Expressions

Operator Precedence

Multiple Assignments

Order of Evaluation

Bitwise Operators

Compound Operators

Expressions that Mix Data Types: Typecasting

Creating and Using Methods

Creating Methods

Variable Scope

3. Java Objects

Objects

Object-Oriented Languages

Object-Oriented Programs

Encapsulation

Creating and Using an Instance of an Object

References

Defining a Class

Java Beans

Constructors

Method Overloading

The this Keyword

static Elements

Garbage Collection

Java Packages

Dealing with Keyboard Input

String, StringBuffer, and StringBuilder

Creating Documentation Comments and Using javadoc

Javadoc Comments

4. Comparisons And Flow Control Structures

Controlling Program Flow

Boolean-Valued Expressions

Complex boolean Expressions

Simple Branching

Two Mutually Exclusive Branches

Nestedif... elseStatements - Comparing a Number of

Mutually Exclusive Options

Comparing a Number of Mutually ExclusiveOptions - The

switchStatement

Comparing Objects

Conditional Expression

while and do. . . while Loops

for Loops

Additional Loop Control: break and continue

Breaking Out of a Loop

Continuing a Loop

Classpath, Code Libraries, and Jar files

Using CLASSPATH

Creating a jar File (a Library)

5. Arrays

Arrays

Defining and Declaring Arrays

Instantiating Arrays

Initializing Arrays

Working With Arrays

Array Variables

Copying Arrays

Arrays of Objects

Enhanced for Loops - the For-Each Loop

Multi-Dimensional Arrays

Multidimensional Arrays in Memory

Example - Printing a Picture

Typecasting with Arrays of Primitives

6. Inheritance

Inheritance

Payroll with Inheritance

Derived Class Objects

Polymorphism

Inheritance and References

Dynamic Method Invocation

Creating a Derived Class

Inheritance and Access

Inheritance and Constructors - the super Keyword

Derived Class Methods That Override Base Class Methods

Inheritance and Default Base Class Constructors

The Instantiation Process at Runtime

Example - Factoring Person Out of Employee and Dependent

Typecasting with Object References

Typecasting, Polymorphism, and Dynamic Method Invocation

More on Overriding

Object Typecasting Example

Checking an Object's Type: Using instanceof

Typecasting with Arrays of Objects

Other Inheritance-Related Keywords

abstract

final

Methods Inherited from Object

7. Interfaces

Interfaces

Creating an Interface Definition

Implementing Interfaces

Implementing Interfaces - Example

Reference Variables and Interfaces

Calling an Interface Method

Interfaces and Inheritance

Some Uses for Interfaces

Interfaces and Event-Handling

Interfaces and "Pluggable Components"

8. Exceptions

Exceptions

Handling Exceptions

Exception Objects

Attempting Risky Code - try and catch

Guaranteeing Execution of Code - the finally Block

Letting an Exception be Thrown to the Method Caller

Throwing an Exception

Exceptions and Inheritance

Exception Class Constructors and Methods

Creating and Using Your Own Exception Classes

Rethrowing Exceptions

Initializer Blocks

Static Initializer Blocks

Assertions

9. Generics and Collections

Fundamental Collections: Sets, Lists, and Maps

Iterators

Creating Collectible Classes

hashCode and equals

Comparable and Comparators

Generics

Basic Generics Syntax

Bounded Types and Wildcards

Advanced Topics

Type Erasure

instanceof Tests

Multiple-Bounded Types

10. Inner Classes

Inner Classes, aka Nested Classes

Inner Class Syntax

Instantiating an Inner Class Instance from Within the Enclosing Class

Inner Classes Referenced from Outside the Enclosing Class

Working with Inner Classes

12. Streams

Introducing Streams

Input Stream Clases

Output Stream Classes

Using System.in

Files and Directories

Filename Filters

Creating a Directory Listing

Files and Streams

Writing to a File

Creating a File Copying Program

Working with Binary Data

Primitives

Object Serialization

Properties and Properties Files

13. Unit Testing

Software Testing Concepts

Unit Testing

Using JUnit

Creating a Test Case