

# Unit 1 - Lesson 8

## Inheritance



Computer Science A

# Warm Up



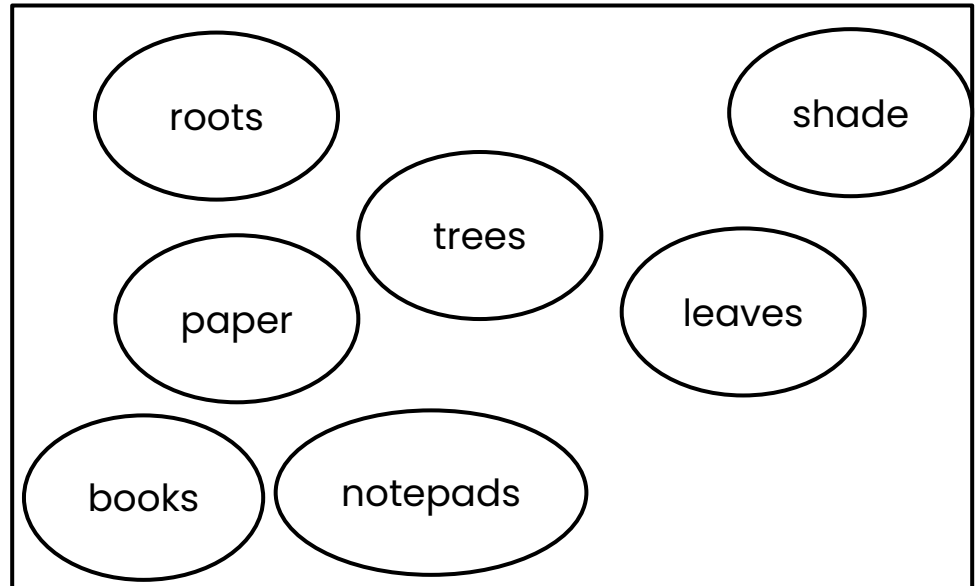
# What is object-oriented programming?

## Do This:

Create a **concept map** to answer the question **"What is object-oriented programming?"**

Write any **concepts** or **ideas** that come to mind.

**Example:** What is a tree?



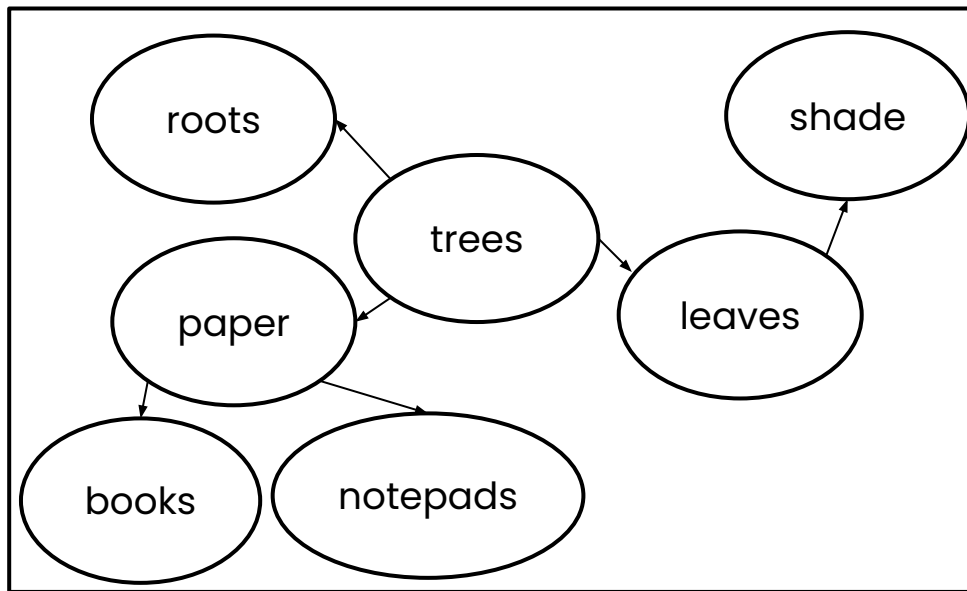
# How are these concepts connected?

## Do This:

Review the **concepts** and **ideas** you came up with.

Draw **arrows** to **connect** the concepts.

**Example:** What is a tree?

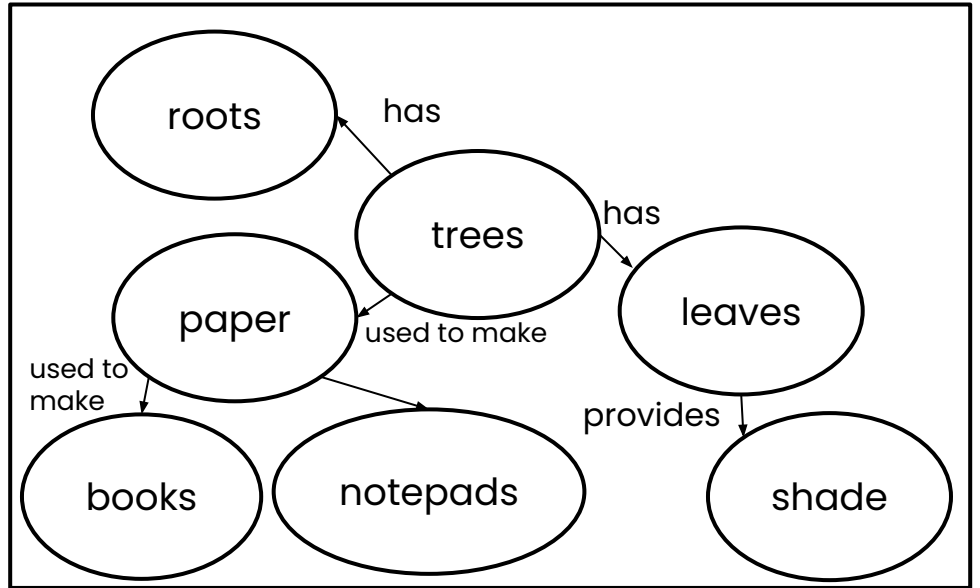


# How are these concepts connected?

## ✓ Do This:

Label the arrows with **verbs** or **short descriptions** to identify the **relationships** between the concepts and ideas.

**Example:** What is a tree?



## **Do This:**

Share your concept map with a neighbor.

**Compare** the concepts and relationships you wrote.

**Add to** or **revise** your concept map based on your discussion.



# Activity



# Lesson Objectives

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to . . .

- Explain the purpose and functionality of inheritance
- Identify use cases for creating subclasses of an existing class
- Write a subclass that extends a superclass





## Question of the Day

Why would I use inheritance?

## Painter

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remainingPaint

turnLeft()  
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## Discuss:

If you could add a new method to the **Painter** class, what method would you want to add?

## Do This:

The software engineer knows that this **Instrument** class works to **represent a guitar** at a music store, but the owner wants to also sell **pianos**.

**How should the software engineer implement these changes?**

What if the music store owner later decides to also sell **other instruments**?

Instrument
model numStrings
tune() restring() play()

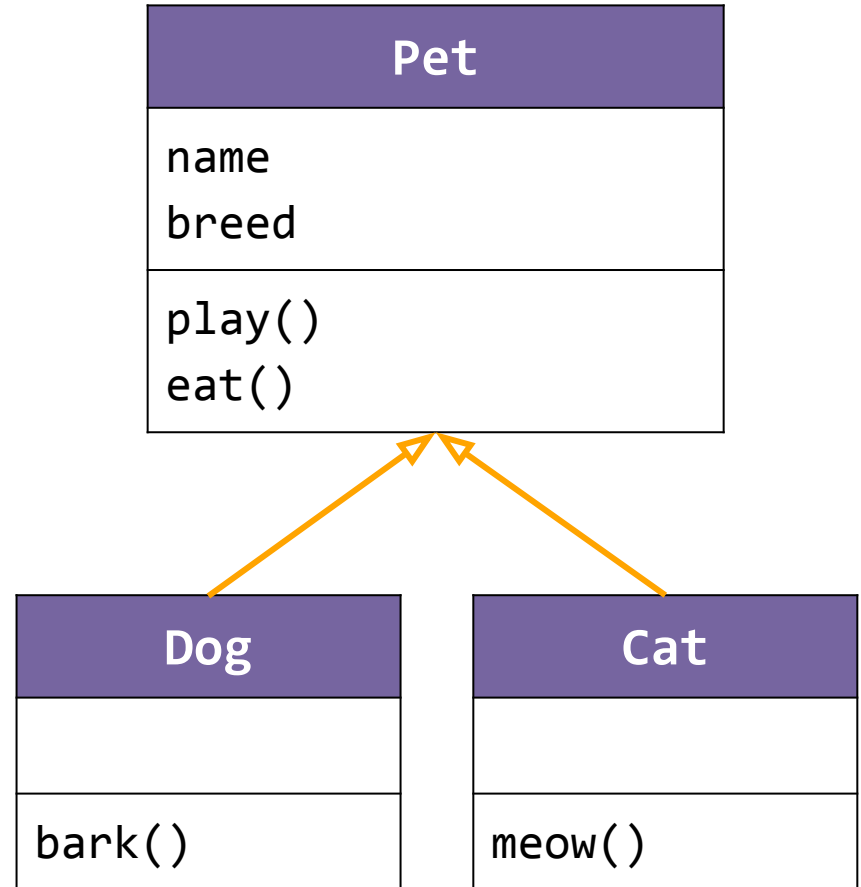
# Inheritance

What is inheritance?

Complete the guided notes on the  **Unit 1 Guide**.

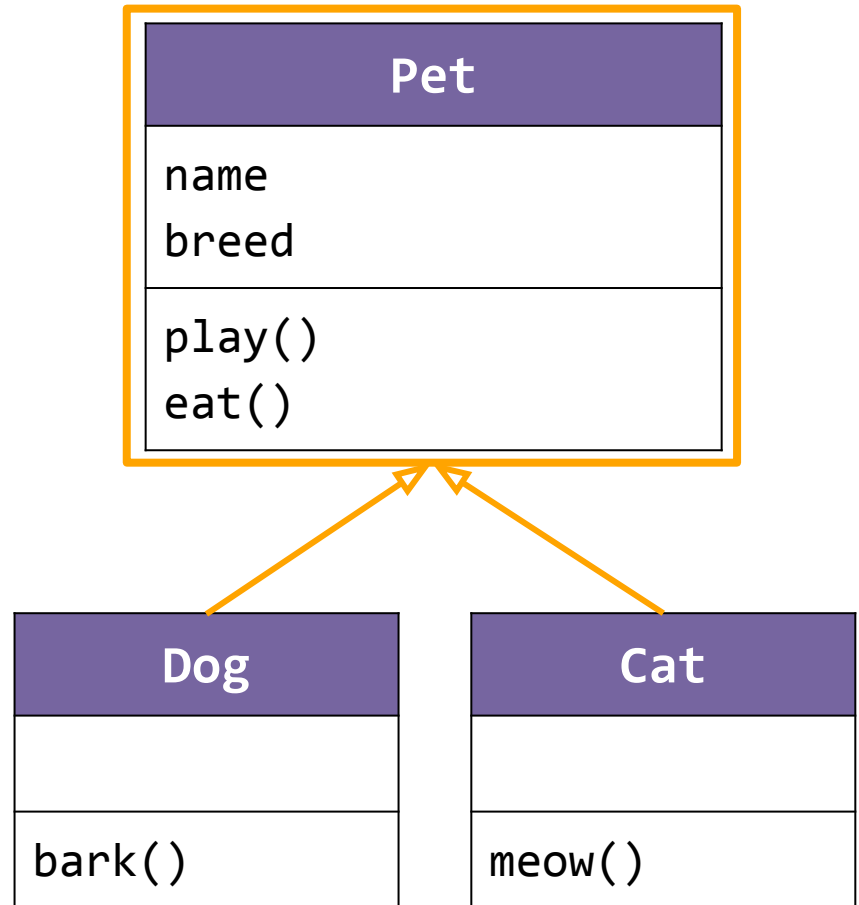


**Inheritance** is an object-oriented programming principle where a **subclass inherits** the **attributes** and **behaviors** of a **superclass**.



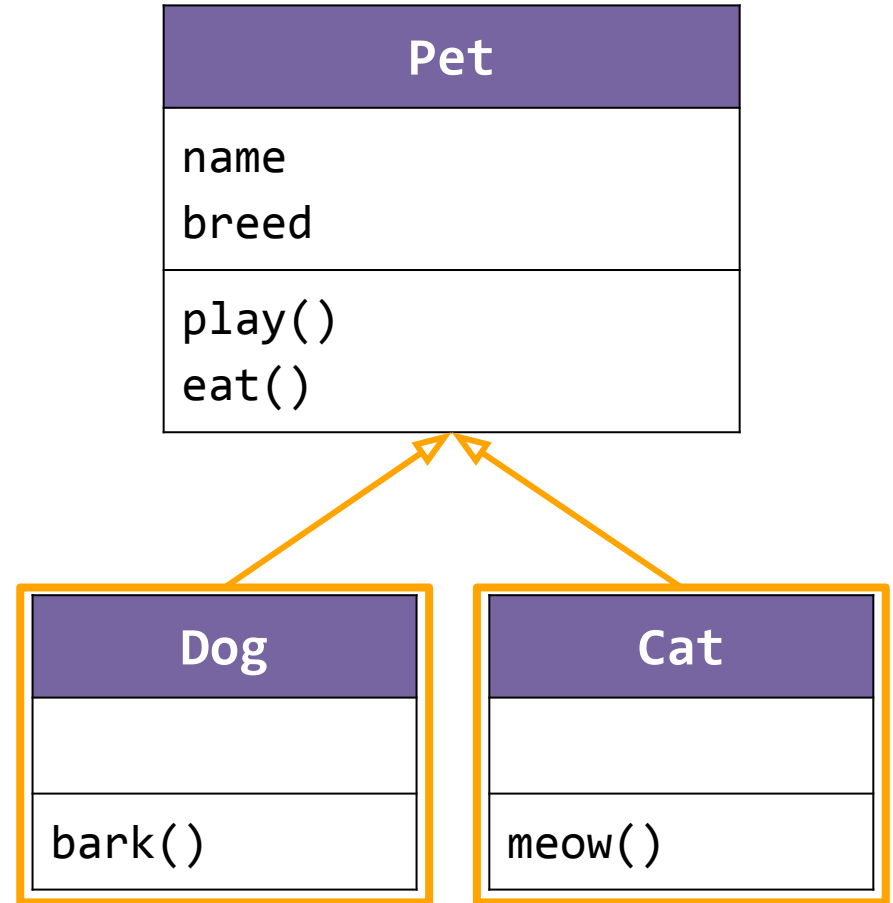
A **superclass** is a class that **can be extended** to create subclasses.

It **contains** the **attributes** and **behaviors** that can be **shared** with subclasses.



A **subclass** is a class that **extends a superclass** and **inherits its attributes and behaviors**.

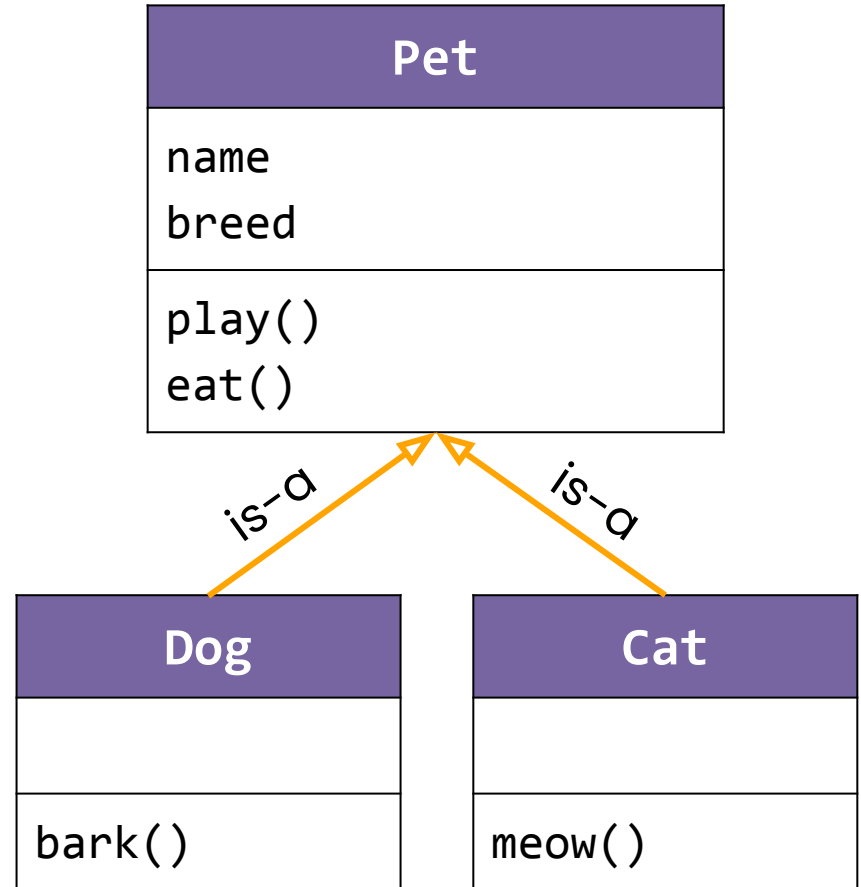
It has the **same attributes and behaviors** as the **superclass** and can have **additional ones** of its own.



Inheritance creates an **is-a relationship** between the superclass and its subclasses.

A Dog **is-a** Pet.

A Cat **is-a** Pet.

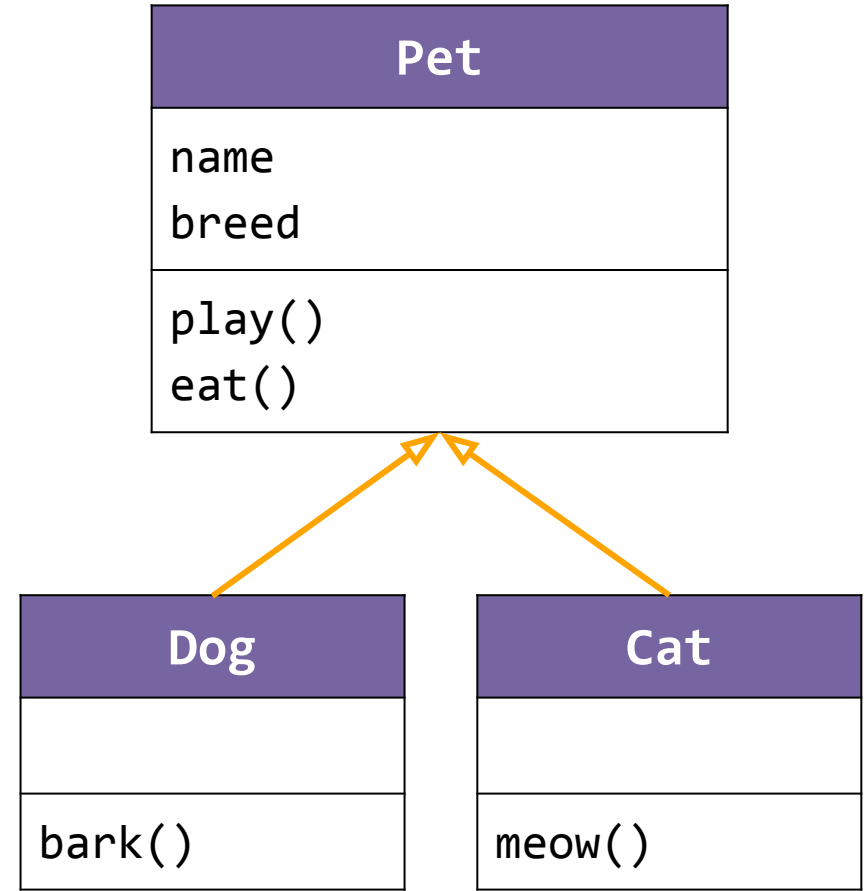






# Discuss:

What are some scenarios where you would want to use inheritance?



# Creating a New Class

To create a **new class** in **Java Lab**, we start by creating a **new file**.

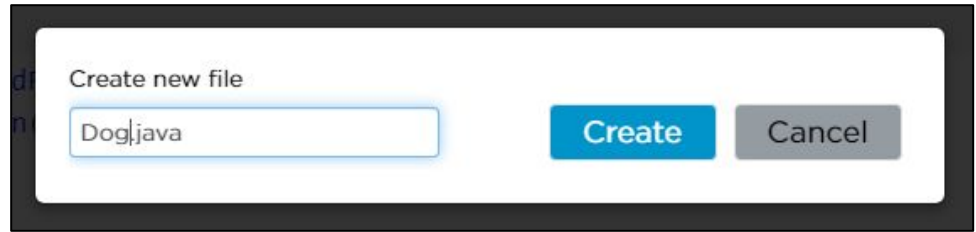
The screenshot shows an IDE window with a purple header bar. The 'New File' button is highlighted with an orange box. Below the header, the file name 'Runner.java' is visible. The code editor contains the following Java code:

```
1 public class Runner {  
2     public static void main(String[] args) {  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9     }  
10 }
```

# Creating a New Class

We then enter the **name** of the class we want to create.

Make sure the new file ends in **.java**!



# Creating a New Class

In our new class,  
we write the **class**  
**header**.

The screenshot shows an IDE interface with a purple header bar containing 'New File' and 'Backpack' buttons. Below the header, there are three file tabs: 'Runner.java', 'Pet.java', and 'Dog.java'. The 'Dog.java' tab is active, showing the following code:

```
1 public class Dog {  
2  
3 }
```

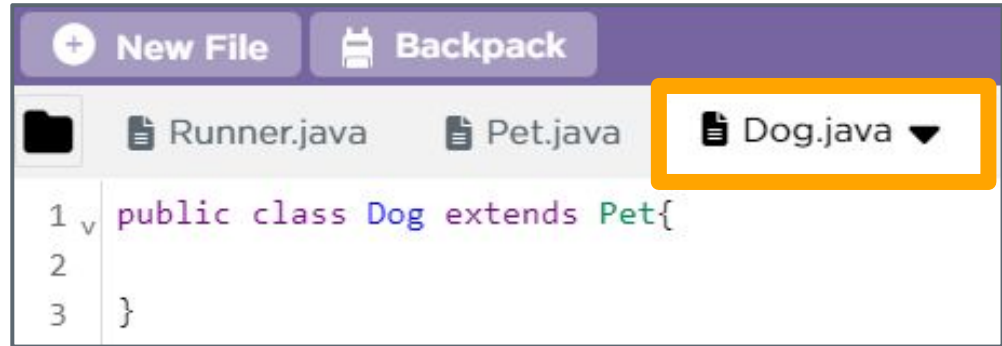
# Creating a New Class

We add the **extends** keyword to the **class header** to indicate that **this is a subclass** and the **superclass that it inherits from**.

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```
1 public class Dog extends Pet{  
2  
3 }
```

**Our Java programs now consist of two types of classes.**



```
+ New File Backpack  
Runner.java Pet.java Dog.java  
1 public class Dog extends Pet{  
2  
3 }
```

The **class that represents an object** and **contains its attributes and behaviors.**

We can **instantiate objects** from this class.

**Our Java programs now consist of two types of classes.**

The **tester class**, which is the **class that contains the main method** and from **where the program starts running**.

```
1 public class Runner {
2     public static void main(String[] args){
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10 }
11 }
```

# Practice



Navigate to Lesson 8, Level 1

## Do This:

1. **Level 1** - Check for Understanding
2. **Level 2** - Create your **PainterPlus** class and instantiate a **PainterPlus** object
3. **Level 3** - Use your **PainterPlus** object to reach the traffic cone





**HOLD that  
THOUGHT**

 **Discuss:**

What happened when you called **Painter** class methods?

Why do you think this happened?

# Wrap Up





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## Discuss:

What are some things you want a **PainterPlus** object to do that a **Painter** object **can't do**?



## Today, you learned about . . .

- The purpose and functionality of inheritance
- Use cases for creating subclasses of an existing class
- How to write a subclass that extends a superclass



# Question of the Day

Why would I use inheritance?



## Key Vocabulary

- **inheritance:** an object-oriented programming principle where a subclass inherits the attributes and behaviors of a superclass
- **superclass:** a class that can be extended to create subclasses
- **subclass:** a class that extends a superclass and inherits its attributes and behaviors
- **tester class:** the class that contains the `main` method and from where the program starts running