


## *Using the javax.swing Package*

- ❖ Classes in package provide means of specifying fully functional GUI with typical components such as:
  - ◆ Check boxes, text entry fields, and buttons
  - ◆ Dialog Boxes:
    - ◆ Modal = User must respond before continues
    - ◆ Modeless = No entry required
- ❖ Dialog Box class hierarchy
  - ◆ javax.swing.JComponent
    - ◆ javax.swing.JOptionPane  
(Derived class from javax.swing.JComponent)


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## *Creating Dialog Boxes*


- ❖ Use JOptionPane Class
  - ◆ Call showMessageDialog Method
- ❖ `JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, "message", "title", icon-type);`
  - ◆ 1<sup>st</sup> Argument `null` positions dialog box in center
  - ◆ 2<sup>nd</sup> Argument specifies message to display in box
  - ◆ 3<sup>rd</sup> Argument specifies the box title in title bar
  - ◆ 4<sup>th</sup> Argument specifies the icon to be displayed



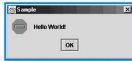
(a) WARNING\_MESSAGE




(b) QUESTION\_MESSAGE



(c) INFORMATION\_MESSAGE



(d) ERROR\_MESSAGE




(e) PLAIN\_MESSAGE

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## *Import statement*

- ❖ At beginning of program after package declaration
- ❖ Compiler searches for classes in import packages


```
import javax.swing.*;
public class DialogBoxExample1
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null,
            "I like living in Saipan:"
            + "\n\nThe land is beautiful and so is the sea."
            , "Bob's Dialog",
            JOptionPane.INFORMATION_MESSAGE);
        System.exit(0);
    }
}
```



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```
import javax.swing.*;
public class ShowBoxCls
{
    private String sMessage;
    ShowBoxCls()
    {
        sMessage = "I need a cup of Java.";
    }
    public void displayMessage()
    {
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, sMessage,
            "Wakeup!", JOptionPane.WARNING_MESSAGE);
    }
}
```

```
public class ShowBoxPrg
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        // Create a variable of type ShowMessageCls
        ShowBoxCls oMessageOne;
        // Create an object of the ShowMessageCls
        oMessageOne = new ShowBoxCls();
        // Call the method for the object
        oMessageOne.displayMessage();
    }
}
```



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## *Classes and Objects*

- ❖ Java provides hundreds of **classes**, which provide a framework for adding functionality to the Java Language
- ❖ **Class**
  - ◆ Definition of a class of objects
  - ◆ Defines all **properties** and **methods** associated with objects of this class
  - ◆ Class identifier guideline: Use **TitleCase**
- ❖ **Object** is a self contained **instance** of a class that contains
  - ◆ **Properties** (data, attributes, member variable)
  - ◆ **Methods** (functions, operations, instructions)

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## *Static and Non-Static Methods*

- ❖ **Non-static methods use with object**
  - ◆ **Syntax:**
    - ◆ `objectName.methodName( arguments );`
  - ◆ **Examples:**
    - ◆ `println()`
    - ◆ `displayMessage()`
- ❖ **Static methods use with class**
  - ◆ Does not operate on object
  - ◆ Receives all data as arguments
  - ◆ **Syntax:**
    - ◆ `ClassName.methodName( arguments );`
  - ◆ **Example:**
    - ◆ `showMessageDialog()`

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## *Programming Style*

- ❖ Java ignores whitespace
- ❖ Proper programming style:
  - ◆ Makes programs easy to read
  - ◆ Minimizes mistakes
  - ◆ Consistent identifier naming convention
- ❖ Proper style for `main` method:

```
public static void main(String[ ] args)
{
    program statements in here;
}
```

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## *Common Programming Errors*

- ❖ Knowing about common errors helps programmers avoid them
- ❖ **Most common errors:**
  - ◆ Forgetting to save program with same file name as class name used within program
  - ◆ Omitting semicolon at end of each statement
  - ◆ Forgetting `\n` to indicate new line
  - ◆ Forgetting to the closing brace `}`
    - ◆ Always Tab sections in for readability

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