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SUPER keyword

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"super" keyword

Super is a special keyword that directs the compiler to invoke the superclass members. It is used to refer to the parent class of the class in which the keyword is used.

super keyword is used for the following three purposes:

- 1. To invoke superclass constructor.
- 2. To invoke superclass members variables.
- 3. To invoke superclass methods.

```
super();
or
super(parameter-list);
```





```
class Animal {
    String sound = "Some sound";
    Animal() {
        System.out.println("An animal is created.");
    }
    void makeSound() {
        System.out.println("Animal makes a sound: " + sound);
    }
}
```





```
class Dog extends Animal {
   String sound = "Bark"; // Overriding parent variable
   Dog() {
      super(); // Calls Animal constructor
      System.out.println("A dog is created.");
   }
   void makeSound() {
      System.out.println("Dog makes sound: " + sound);
      super.makeSound(); // Calls Animal's makeSound()
   }
}
```





```
public class Main {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("\nCreating Dog:");
        Dog dog = new Dog();
        dog.makeSound();
}
```





Output:

Creating Dog: An animal is created. A dog is created.

Dog makes sound: Bark

Animal makes a sound: Some sound





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