

Implementing List using an array

- (1) Imagine you are implementing a `List` of `Strings` using an array. You decide to call it `CarlStringList`. It has the instance variables shown below. Write a method to get an item at a specific index in the list. Think about any edge cases you have to handle; you might throw a `RuntimeException` for these cases. *[Hint: This method is very simple in terms of number of lines of code.]*

```
public class CarlStringList implements List<String>
{
    private String[] array;
    private int count;

    public String get(int index)
    {

    }
}
```

- (2) Write an `add(int index, String item)` method for `CarlStringList` implementation you started above, assuming there is sufficient space in the array to add an additional item. *[Hint: The tricky thing here isn't the Java syntax but ordering the steps of your algorithm.]*

```
public void add(int index, String item)
{
```

```
}
```

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- (3) Imagine you're trying to test your `add` method. Brainstorm some test cases: things you want to try to make sure that the method works correctly with all inputs.

- (4) Write a method to “resize” the array and do any necessary copying. This can be used e.g. in the `add` method when there is not sufficient space to add another item. *[Hint: Read the next question.]*

```
private void resizeArray()  
{
```

```
}
```

- (5) Consider two ways of resizing the array: adding 10 to the size of the array each time or doubling the size of the array each time. If you add 100 items to the `List` and the array starts with a capacity of 1, how many times will each scheme resize the array? How many total times will each scheme copy `Strings` when resizing?

If you have extra time, use `resizeArray` in `add`, write `remove`, `contains`, and `equals` methods.