Wrap all primitives and strings

Object Calisthenics

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 - Object-oriented principles
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... Importance of the Rule

```
public class Employee {
   private String name;
   private int age;
   private double salary;

public Employee(String name, int age, double salary) {
    this.name = name;
    this.age = age;
    this.salary = salary;
}
```

```
public class Employee {
    private Name name;
    private Age age;
    private Salary salary;

public Employee(Name name, Age age, Salary salary) {
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Code readability and self-documentation



Readability



Self-documentation

```
public class Employee {
private String name;
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private double salary;
                                                               private Salary salary;
public Employee(String name, int age, double salary) {
                                                               public Employee(Name name, Age age, Salary salary
    this.name = name;
                                                                   this.name = name;
    this.age = age;
                                                                   this.age = age;
                                                      lary
    this.salary = salary;
                                                                   this.salary = salary;
public String getName() {
                                                               public String getFullName() {
    return name;
                                                                   return name.getFullName();
                                                               public int getAge() {
public int getAge() {
                                                                   return age.getValue();
    return age;
public double getSalary() {
                                                               public double getSalary() {
    return salary;
                                                                   return salary.getValue();
```



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Easier modifications and updates



Modifications and Updates

```
public class Employee {
                                                         private Name name;
                                                        private Age age;
                                                        private Salary salary;
                                                         public void increaseSalary(Salary increaseAmount) {
                                                             this.salary.increase(increaseAmount);
private String name;
private int age;
private double salary;
                                                     public class Salary {
                                                        private double value;
public void increaseSalary(double amount) {
                                                         public Salary(double value) {
    this.salary += amount;
                                                            this.value = value;
                                                        public double getValue() {
                                                             return value;
                                                        public void increase(Salary amount) {
                                                             this.value += amount.getValue();
```



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Reusability by abstracting behaviour



Reusability

```
Salary calculateNewSalary(Salary currentSalary);
                                                            public class PercentagePromotion implements PromotionStrategy {
public class Employee {
                                                                private double percentage;
   private Name name;
                                                                public PercentagePromotion(double percentage) {
   private Age age;
   private Salary salary;
                                                                    this.percentage = percentage;
                                                                public Salary calculateNewSalary(Salary currentSalary) {
   public Employee(Name name, Age age, Salary salary) {
                                                                    double increaseAmount = currentSalary.getValue() * percentage
      this.name = name;
                                                                    return new Salary(currentSalary.getValue() + increaseAmount
       this.age = age;
       this.salary = salary;
                                                            public class FixedAmountPromotion implements PromotionStrategy {
                                                                private double amount;
   public void promote(PromotionStrategy promotionStrategy) {
                                                                public FixedAmountPromotion(double amount) {
       this.salary = promotionStrategy.calculateNewSalary(sal
                                                                    this.amount = amount;
                                                                public Salary calculateNewSalary(Salary currentSalary) {
                                                                    return new Salary(currentSalary.getValue() + amount);
```



Facilitates design patterns and encapsulation



Design patterns and encapsulation

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public class Employee {
                                                                private double percentage;
   private Name name;
                                                                public PercentagePromotion(double percentage) {
   private Age age;
   private Salary salary;
                                                                    this.percentage = percentage;
                                                                public Salary calculateNewSalary(Salary currentSalary) {
   public Employee(Name name, Age age, Salary salary) {
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Disadvantages of the Rule

Every advantage has its disadvantage



Increased complexity



Performance overhead