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Sometimes it is useful to parameterize a class with a type, `T`.

Rather than `IntContainer`, `LongContainer`, etc. we can just write `Container<T>`, and then create instances such as `Container<Integer>`.

We can also create generic methods that accept type parameters:  
`static <T> void acceptSomeValue(T value) { ... }`

Prior to the introduction of Java generics, programmers often used `Object` as a work-around as it can refer to any non-primitive type.