In object-oriented programming (OOP), instances of a class are also referred to as objects.

Objects are created based on a class definition, and each object represents a unique instance of that class.

1. Class Definition:

- A class is a blueprint or template that defines the structure and behavior of objects.
- It encapsulates data (attributes) and functions (methods) that operate on that data.

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// Class definition
class MyClass {
public:
    // Member function to set the value of the member variable
    void setValue(int val) {
        myValue = val;
    }

    // Member function to get the value of the member variable
    int getValue() {
        return myValue;
    }

private:
    // Private member variable
    int myValue;
};
```

2. Creating Instances (Objects):

- Objects are instances of a class. They represent specific entities based on the class blueprint.
- You create an object by declaring a variable of the class type.

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// Creating instances (objects) of MyClass
MyClass obj1; // obj1 is an object of MyClass
MyClass obj2; // obj2 is another object of MyClass
```

3. Manipulating Objects:

 Objects have their own set of member variables and can be manipulated using member functions.

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// Setting values for obj1 and obj2
obj1.setValue(42);
obj2.setValue(99);

// Retrieving values from obj1 and obj2
int value1 = obj1.getValue();
int value2 = obj2.getValue();
```

4. Independence of Objects:

- Each object created from the same class is independent of others.
- Changes to one object do not affect the state of other objects.

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// obj1 and obj2 have independent states
std::cout << "Value of obj1: " << value1 << std::endl;
std::cout << "Value of obj2: " << value2 << std::endl;</pre>
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