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Returning Objects from Functions

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The syntax for defining a function that returns an object by value is

```
class_name function_name (parameter_list) {  
    // body of the function  
}
```

C++ Return object to a Function:

```
1 class_name function_name (parameter_list) {  
2 // body of the function  
3}  
using namespace std;  
class Student {  
    public:  
    int stId;  
    int stAge;  
    string stName;  
  
    // In this function we returning the student object  
    Student input(int n, int a, string s) {  
        Student obj;  
        obj.stId = n;  
        obj.stAge = a;  
        obj.stName = s;  
        return obj;  
    }  
    // In this function we pass object as an argument  
    void display(Student obj) {  
  
        cout << "Name = " << obj.stName << endl;  
        cout << "Id = " << obj.stId << endl;  
        cout << "Age = " << obj.stAge << endl;  
    }  
};  
int main() {  
    Student s;  
    s = s.input (1005, 20, James)  
    s.display(s);  
    return 0;  
}
```



Output

Name = James
Id = 1005
Age = 20

C++ Return Object from a Function:

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
class Student {
public:
    int age1, age2;
};
// function that returns object of Student
Student newStudent() {
    Student student;

    // Initialize member variables of Student
    student.age1 = 10;
    student.age2 = 20;

    // print member variables of Student
    cout << "Age of Student 1 = " << student.age1 << endl;
    cout << "Age of Student 2 = " << student.age2 << endl;

    return student;
}
int main() {
    Student student1;

    // Call function
    student1 = newStudent();

    return 0;
}
```

Output

Age of Student 1 = 15
Age of Student 2 = 20

In this program, we have created a function `newStudent()` that returns an object of `Student` class. We have called `newStudent()` from the `main()` method.

// Call function

```
student1 = newStudent();
```

Here, we are storing the object returned by the `newStudent()` method in the `student1`