

# 13 Composite types – Part 2

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## Vocabulary

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*Write each word three times.*

| English        | Write it 3 times (English) |
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| composite type | _____                      |
| record         | _____                      |
| set            | _____                      |

## Recall

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Real things are usually made of several values of different types. A **composite type** groups them under one name.

## New ideas

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Read these first. Each idea has a short worked example. Then do the Practice.

## ■ 1 Record

record Student

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| Name : STRING      |
| Age : INTEGER      |
| Grade : CHAR       |
| Enrolled : BOOLEAN |

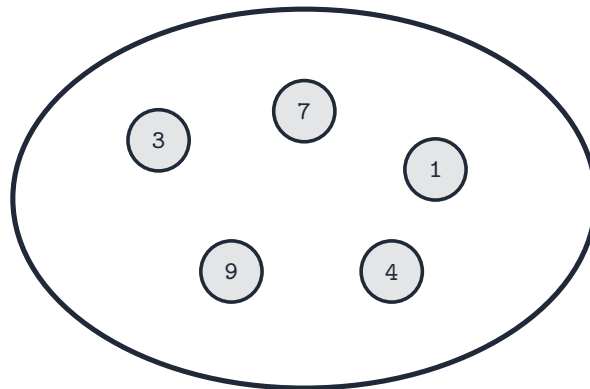
one name, several fields of different types

A **record** groups several **fields** of different types under one name – like a **Student** with a name, age, grade and enrolled flag.

*Worked example.*

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TYPE Student
  DECLARE Name : STRING
  DECLARE Age : INTEGER
  DECLARE Grade : CHAR
ENDTYPE
DECLARE s : Student
s.Name ← "Lily"
s.Age ← 16
```

## ■ 2 Set



unordered, every value unique

A **set** is an unordered collection of unique values. You can add, remove, test membership, and take the union or intersection of two sets.

*Worked example.* The union of {2, 4, 6} and {4, 6, 8} is {2, 4, 6, 8} – the shared 4 and 6 appear only once. Adding 4 to a set that already has it leaves the set unchanged.

**Watch out:** a record groups fields of *different* types under one name (unlike an array, where every item is the *same* type). A set ignores both order and duplicates.

## Practice

Try these in order.

**13.1** What does a *composite type* do? [1]

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**13.2** What is a *record*? [1]

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**13.3** Can the fields of a record be different types? [1]

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**13.4** What is a *set*? [1]

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**13.5** Can a set contain the same value twice?

[1]

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**13.6** A record and an array both store several values. Explain one key difference between them.

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**13.7 Challenge.** Two sets are  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $B = \{3, 4, 5\}$ . Write down their union and their intersection.

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