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```

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C.1.7 Clause 8: declarators

[diff.decl]

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### C.1.8 Clause 9: classes

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#### 9.1 [see also 7.1.3]

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