

JS Scope & Hoisting

What is Scope?

- Scope defines everything you have access to
- Scope is like a pyramid
 - Lower scopes can access those above them, but not below
- The top level is the Global Scope
- Essentially, scoping is name resolution
 - Where can you access JavaScript identifiers in your code?

Lexical Scoping

- JavaScript uses Lexical Scoping
- Meaning scope is defined by the position in source code
 - Based on where the code is!

Function Scope

- Function Scoping is the scope that is created when a function is called
- The scope a function creates is called **Local Scope**

```
var global = "Global Scope";

function someFunction() {
  var local = "Local Scope";
}

console.log(global); // => "Global Scope"
console.log(local);  // => ReferenceError
```

Function Scope

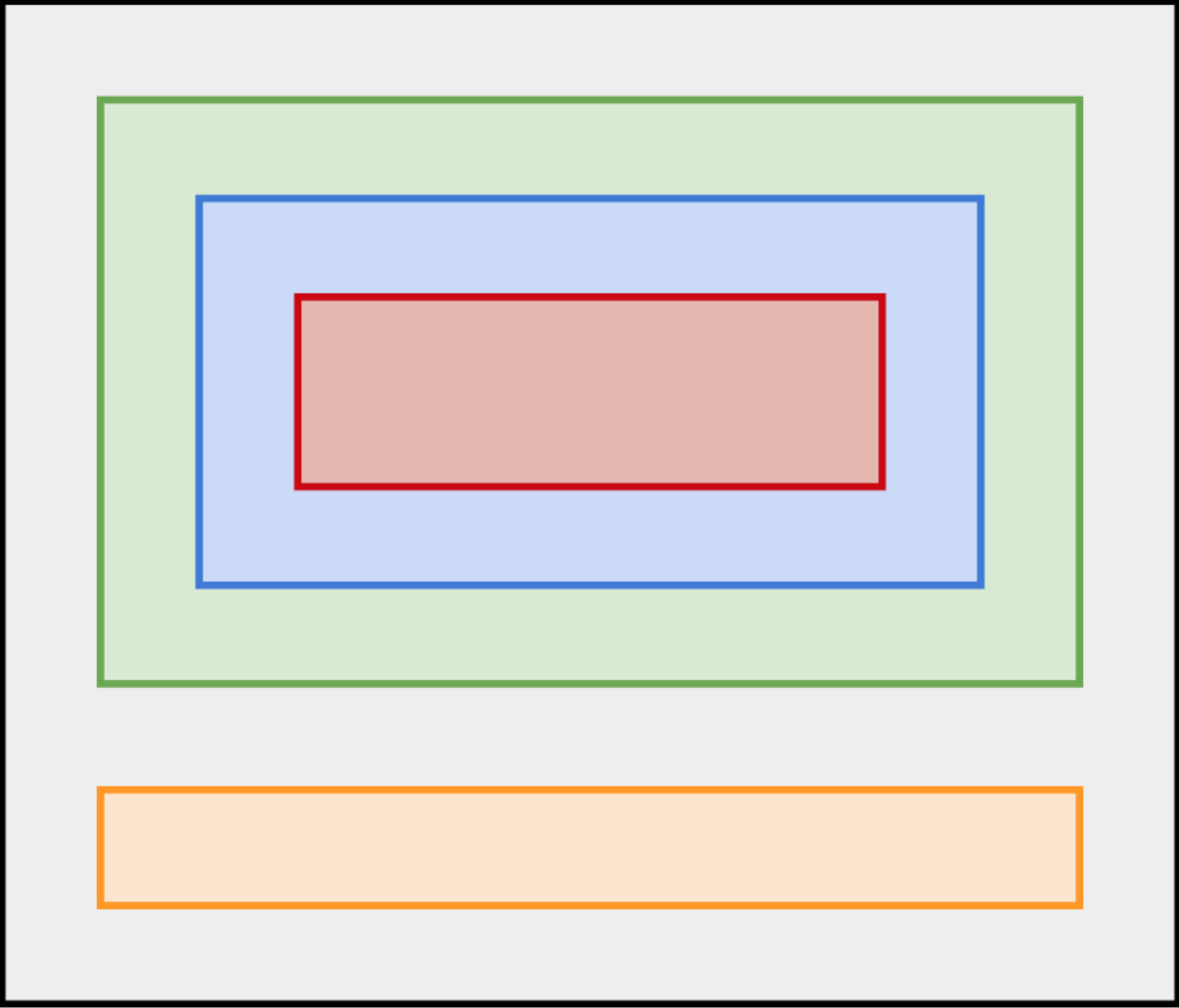
```
var global = "Global Scope";

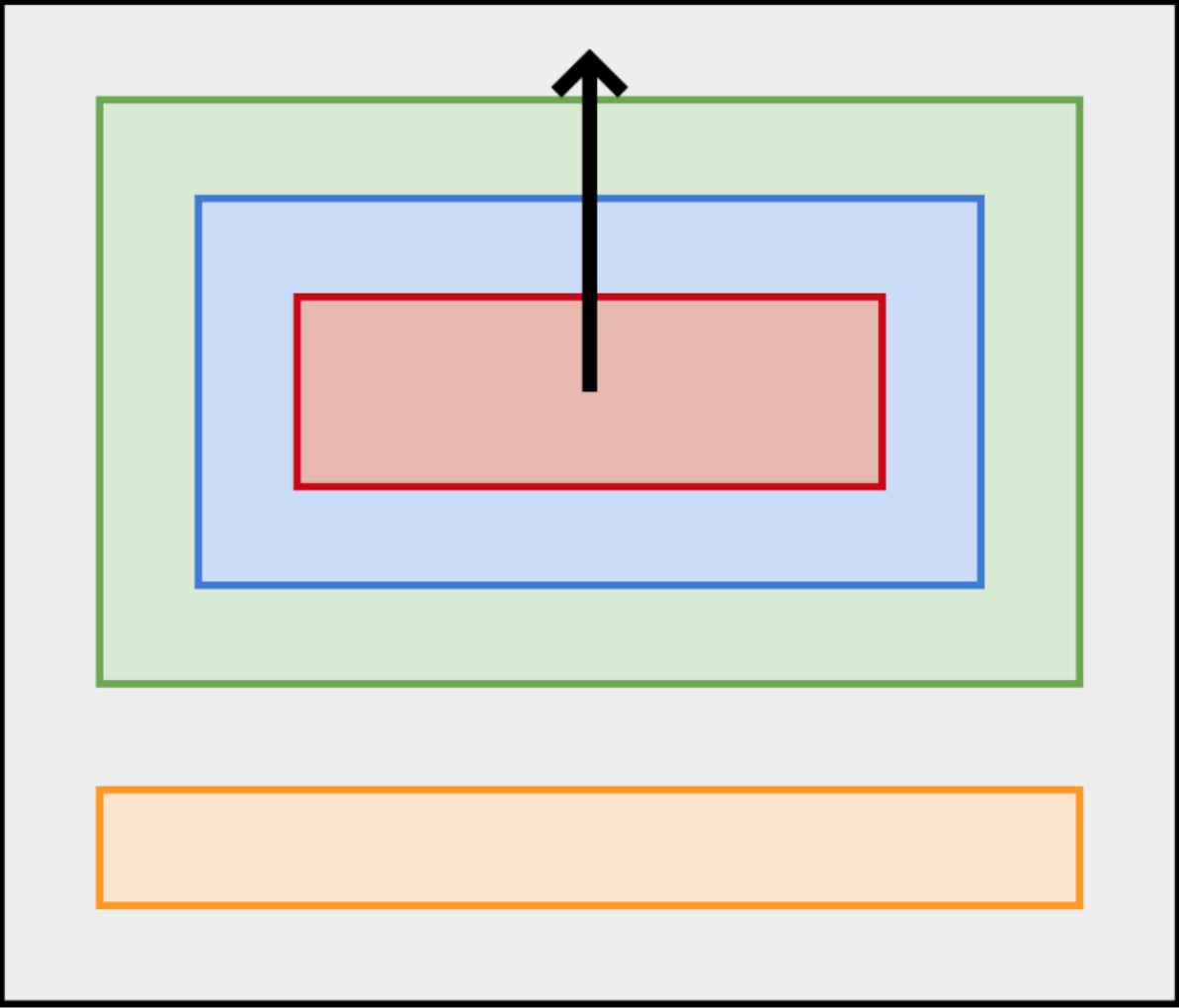
function someFunction() {
  var innerScope = "Inner Scope";

  function someInnerFunction() {
    var innerInnerScope = "InnerInner Scope";
    // 3. What can we access from here?
  }

  someInnerFunction();
  // 2. What can we access from here?
}

someFunction();
// 1. What can we access from here?
```





What is Hoisting?

- It is a way to explain the way that *execution contexts* work
- One way to think of it...
 - Variable and function declarations get moved to the top of the scope
- ...But really, they get put in memory during the compile phase

Exercise

Go through the quiz found [here](#)

Closures

What are Closures?

A fancy name for a function that has access to an outer scope's variables etc.

Why would you use them?

- Useful for securing your web applications
- You can create private data and functions
- You can create utility functions easily

What are Closures?

```
function createGame() {  
  var score = 0;  
  return function scoreGoal() {  
    score += 10;  
    return score;  
  }  
}  
  
var scoreGoal = createGame();  
  
console.log( scoreGoal() );  
console.log( scoreGoal() );
```

What are Closures?

```
function createGame() {  
  var score = 0;  
  return {  
    gainPoints: function() {  
      return score += 10;  
    },  
    losePoints: function() {  
      return score -= 10;  
    },  
    getScore: function() {  
      console.log( score );  
    }  
  };  
}  
  
var player = createGame();  
player.gainPoints();
```

IIFE

Immediately Invoked **F**unction **E**xpressions

Useful for creating a new scope!

A function that runs straight away

Bonus Exercise!

```
function printNumbers() {  
  for (var i = 0; i < 10; i += 1) {  
    setTimeout(function() {  
      console.log(i);  
    }, i * 100);  
  }  
}
```

```
printNumbers();
```

```
// The timer is broken!  
// It prints out 10, 10 times  
// Make it work properly!  
// Hint: You may need to create a new scope  
// Try and explain why it happens
```