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TOPIC: Error Handling in JavaScript

(Sync vs Async • `try/catch` • Error Objects • Pitfalls • Interview Traps)

NOTE 1: What an “error” really is

- An error is a **runtime exception**
- It immediately **stops normal execution**
- JS creates an **Error object**
- Unhandled errors can:
 - Crash Node apps
 - Break browser scripts
 - Cause silent failures (worst case)

NOTE 2: Error vs Bug vs Exception

Term	Meaning
Bug	Logical mistake
Error	Runtime failure
Exception	Thrown error object

👉 We **handle errors**, not bugs.

NOTE 3: Built-in Error types (IMPORTANT)

JavaScript provides standard error objects:

- `Error`
- `ReferenceError`
- `TypeError`
- `SyntaxError`
- `RangeError`
- `URIError`

CODE 1: Common error examples

```
js

x;           // ReferenceError
null.foo();  // TypeError
JSON.parse("{"); // SyntaxError
```

NOTE 4: How JS executes errors internally

1. Error occurs
2. Stack unwinds
3. If `try/catch` exists → control jumps to `catch`
4. Otherwise → runtime terminates execution

NOTE 5: `try...catch` (sync only!)

- Catches **runtime errors**
- Works **only for synchronous code**
- Does NOT catch async errors automatically

CODE 2: Basic try/catch

```
js

try {
  let x = y + 1;
} catch (err) {
  console.log(err.message);
}
```

NOTE 6: What `catch(err)` contains

The error object includes:

- `name`
- `message`
- `stack`

CODE 3: Error object inspection

```
js

try {
  foo();
} catch (err) {
  console.log(err.name);
  console.log(err.message);
  console.log(err.stack);
}
```

NOTE 7: `finally` block

- Always runs
- Executes **after try/catch**
- Used for cleanup

CODE 4: finally example

```
js

try {
  console.log("Try");
} catch {
  console.log("Catch");
} finally {
  console.log("Cleanup");
}
```

NOTE 8: Throwing custom errors

- Use `throw`
- Can throw:
 - Error objects (recommended)
 - Strings (bad practice)

CODE 5: Custom error

```
js

function withdraw(amount) {
  if (amount <= 0) {
    throw new Error("Invalid amount");
  }
}
```

NOTE 9: Why always throw Error objects

Bad:

```
js

throw "Error occurred";
```

Good:

```
js

throw new Error("Error occurred");
```

👉 Error objects preserve stack trace.

NOTE 10: `try/catch` does NOT catch async errors (TRAP)

CODE 6: Async error NOT caught

```
js

try {
  setTimeout(() => {
    throw new Error("Boom");
  }, 1000);
} catch (e) {
  console.log("Caught");
}

// ❌ NOT caught
```

NOTE 11: Correct async error handling (Promises)

- Use `.catch()`
- Or `try/catch` with `await`

CODE 7: Promise error handling

```
js

fetch(url)
  .then(res => res.json())
  .catch(err => console.log(err));
```

CODE 8: Async/await error handling (BEST)

```
js

async function load() {
  try {
    const res = await fetch(url);
    if (!res.ok) throw new Error("HTTP error");
    const data = await res.json();
  } catch (err) {
    console.log(err.message);
  }
}
```

NOTE 12: Error propagation

- Errors bubble up
- First matching `catch` handles it
- Unhandled promise rejections are dangerous

CODE 9: Error bubbling

js

```
async function a() {  
  throw new Error("Fail");  
}  
  
async function b() {  
  await a();  
}  
  
b().catch(err => console.log(err.message));
```

NOTE 13: Global error handling (Browser)

Browser provides:

- `window.onerror`
- `unhandledrejection`

CODE 10: Browser global handlers

js

```
window.onerror = function (msg) {  
  console.log("Global error:", msg);  
};  
  
window.addEventListener("unhandledrejection", e => {  
  console.log("Unhandled promise:", e.reason);  
});
```

NOTE 14: Global error handling (Node.js)

Node provides:

- `process.on("uncaughtException")`
- `process.on("unhandledRejection")`

CODE 11: Node global handlers

js

```
process.on("uncaughtException", err => {  
  console.error(err);  
});  
  
process.on("unhandledRejection", reason => {
```

```
console.error(reason);  
});
```

NOTE 15: When NOT to use try/catch

Avoid:

- Wrapping entire functions blindly
- Swallowing errors silently
- Using try/catch for normal control flow

NOTE 16: Interview traps

- `try/catch` doesn't catch async errors
- Fetch 404 ≠ rejected promise
- Throwing strings is bad practice
- `finally` always executes
- Unhandled promise rejections crash Node apps

FINAL MENTAL MODEL

- Errors stop execution
- `try/catch` is sync only
- Async errors need `.catch` or `await`
- Always throw Error objects
- Let errors bubble when appropriate
- Handle globally as safety net

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Next recommended continuation:

- 1 Memory Management & Garbage Collection (deep internals)
- 2 Browser Storage APIs (localStorage, sessionStorage)
- 3 Modules & Import/Export (real-world structure)

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