






Below is a **refined, deeper, and internally explained** version of your `JavaScript window` object notes.

I've rewritten it to be:

-  **Conceptually clear**
-  **Internals-first (how JS really works)**
-  **Exam + interview friendly**
-  **Readable for beginners**
-  **Accurate to real browser behavior**

No content is removed — it is **clarified, corrected, and structured**.

JavaScript `window` Object — Complete & Internal Explanation

1 What is the `window` Object?

In JavaScript, the `window` object represents the browser window (or tab) in which your web page is loaded.

- It is the **top-level global object** in browsers
- Everything in the browser environment ultimately lives under `window`
- It provides **properties and methods** to:
 - Control the browser window
 - Show dialogs
 - Navigate URLs
 - Access storage
 - Manage timers
 - Communicate between windows

Important

The `window` object exists **only in browsers**, not in Node.js.

2 `window` as a Global Object (Very Important)

In browsers, `window` is the global object.

This means:

- All **global variables** → properties of `window`
- All **global functions** → methods of `window`
- All **global objects** → properties of `window`

Example

```
js
```

```
var x = 10;
function greet() {}

console.log(window.x); // 10
window.greet();        // valid
```

Internally, the browser converts:

```
js
```

```
x
```

to:

```
js
```

```
window.x
```

3 Global vs Local Variables (Scope Resolution)

Example Breakdown

```
html

<script>
  var num = 100; // global → window.num

  const car = {
    brand: "Honda",
    model: "City"
  };           // global → window.car

  function test() {
    let num = 300; // local → shadows global
    console.log(window.num); // 100
    console.log(num);        // 300
    console.log(car.brand);  // Honda
  }

  test();
</script>
```

What's Happening Internally?

1. JavaScript first checks **local scope**
2. If not found, it checks **global scope**
3. Global scope = `window`

📌 `let` and `const` **do not attach to** `window`

```
js

let a = 10;
console.log(window.a); // ❌ undefined
```

4 `window` and `iframe` (Multiple Windows)

Each browser context has its own `window` object:

- Main page → one `window`
- Each `<iframe>` → **separate** `window`
- Each tab → **separate** `window`

```
js

window.parent // parent window
window.top    // top-most window
window.self === window // true
```

📌 This is why cross-iframe communication requires `postMessage()`.

5 Commonly Used `window` Properties

Below are the **most important properties**, grouped logically.

♦ Window State & Size

Property	Meaning
<code>innerWidth</code>	Viewport width (no scrollbar)
<code>innerHeight</code>	Viewport height
<code>outerWidth</code>	Full browser width
<code>outerHeight</code>	Full browser height
<code>devicePixelRatio</code>	Physical pixel ratio

```
js
```

```
console.log(window.innerWidth);
console.log(window.outerHeight);
```

◆ Position & Scrolling

Property	Meaning
screenX / screenLeft	X position of window
screenY / screenTop	Y position
scrollX / pageXOffset	Horizontal scroll
scrollY / pageYOffset	Vertical scroll

js

```
console.log(window.scrollY);
```

◆ Navigation & Environment

Property	Purpose
location	URL details
history	Browser history
navigator	Browser info
screen	Device screen info
document	DOM access

◆ Storage

Property	Scope
localStorage	Persistent
sessionStorage	Per tab

6 window Object Methods (Grouped)

🔔 Dialog Methods

Method	Description
<code>alert()</code>	Message popup
<code>confirm()</code>	Yes/No dialog
<code>prompt()</code>	Input dialog

```
js
```

```
alert("Hello!");
```

⚠ These methods **block execution**.

🪟 Window Control

Method	Purpose
<code>open()</code>	Open new window
<code>close()</code>	Close window
<code>focus()</code>	Focus window
<code>blur()</code>	Remove focus

```
js
```

```
window.open("https://example.com");
```

🚫 Browsers may **block popups** unless triggered by user action.

🕒 Timing & Scheduling

Method	Use
<code>setTimeout()</code>	Run once
<code>setInterval()</code>	Repeat
<code>requestAnimationFrame()</code>	Smooth animation
<code>requestIdleCallback()</code>	Idle execution

🖨 Printing

js

```
window.print();
```

Inter-window Communication

js

```
window.postMessage(message, targetOrigin);
```

Used for:

- iframe communication
- cross-tab messaging

7 Example: `window.alert()`

html

```
<button onclick="showAlert()">Click</button>
```

```
<script>
```

```
function showAlert() {
```

```
    window.alert("Alert executed!");
```

```
}
```

```
</script>
```

 `window.` is optional:

js

```
alert("Hello");
```

8 Example: `window.open()`

js

```
function openPage() {
```

```
    window.open("https://www.tutorialspoint.com");
```

```
}
```

 Opens in a **new tab or window** depending on browser settings.

9 Example: `window.print()`

html

```
<button onclick="window.print()">Print Page</button>
```

📌 Opens browser's print dialog.

🔒 Security Restrictions (Important)

JavaScript **cannot**:

- Close windows it didn't open
- Access other tabs directly
- Read full browsing history
- Bypass popup blockers

🧠 Key Interview Notes

- `window` is the **global object in browsers**
- `var` attaches to `window`, `let/const` do not
- DOM (`document`) lives **inside** `window`
- Each iframe has its own `window`
- BOM is **browser-provided**, not JavaScript itself

📅 One-Line Exam Answer

The `window` object is the global browser object that represents the browser window and provides properties and methods to control browser behavior, navigation, storage, dialogs, and global scope.

🔜 What Next?

Choose **one**, and we'll go **deep internally**:

- 1 `window.location` (URL manipulation & redirects)
- 2 `window.history` (SPA navigation internals)
- 3 `window.navigator` (feature detection, security)
- 4 `window` vs `globalThis` vs `Node.js global`
- 5 BOM vs DOM vs Web APIs (architecture)

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