

HOISTING IN JAVASCRIPT

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Have you ever wondered why you can sometimes use variables or functions before declaring them in your JavaScript code? It's all thanks to hoisting!



1. Variable Hoisting

Consider this example:

```
console.log(apple);  
// Output: undefined  
var apple = "Delicious fruit!";  
console.log(apple);  
// Output: Delicious fruit!
```





The variable declaration (`var apple`) is hoisted to the top, allowing us to use `apple` before it's officially declared. The first `console.log` outputs `undefined` because only the declaration is hoisted, not the initialization.



2. Function Hoisting

Now, let's explore function hoisting:

```
greet();
```

```
// Output: Hello, hoisting!
```

```
function greet() {  
  console.log("Hello, hoisting!");  
}
```





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Similar to variables,
function declarations
are hoisted, allowing
us to call the function
before its actual
declaration.



3. let & const Hoisting

However, it's crucial to note that let and const behave a bit differently:

```
    console.log(orange);  
    // Output: ReferenceError: Cannot  
    access 'orange' before initialization  
    let orange = "Vibrant citrus!;
```



Accessing a let variable before its declaration results in a `ReferenceError`, indicating that the variable has not been initialized.

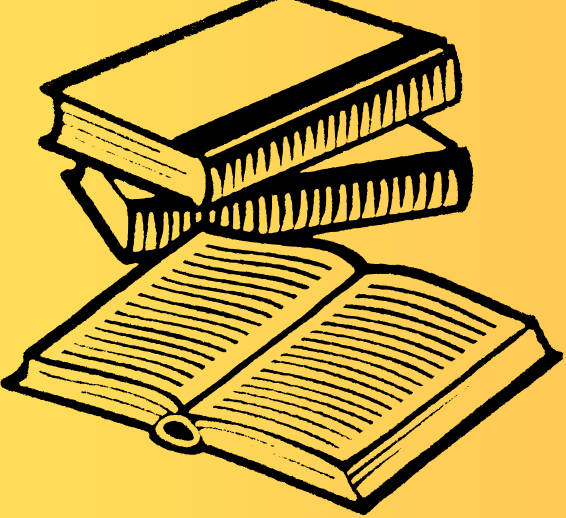



```
console.log(grape);
```

```
// Output: SyntaxError: Missing initializer  
in const declaration  
const grape;
```

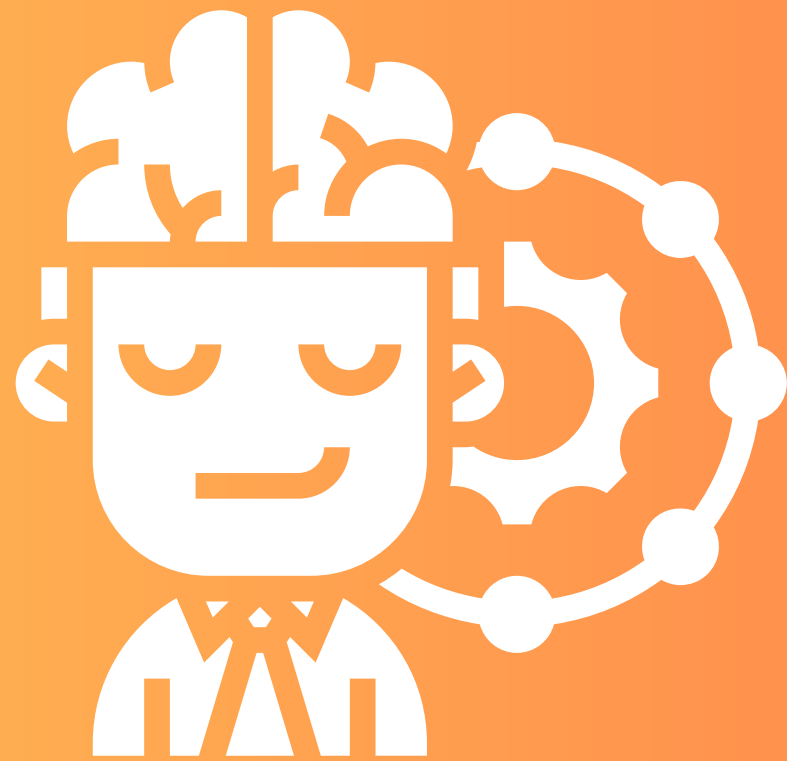
For const variables, attempting to access them before declaration leads to a `SyntaxError` due to the missing initializer.





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Variables declared
with `let` and `const`
are also hoisted,
but not initialized
(unlike `var`).



In summary, while hoisting allows us to use variables and functions before their declarations, the behavior differs between `var`, `let`, and `const`. Understanding hoisting can help you write cleaner and more predictable JavaScript code. Happy coding!





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