JavaScript Coding Standards

1. Objects

♦ Using Literal syntax for object creation

```
//Bad
const item = new Object();
//Good
const item = {};
```

♦ Using Object method shorthand

```
//Bad
const atom = {
  value: 1,
  addValue: function (value) {
      return atom.value + value;
      },
  };

//Good
const atom = {
  value: 1,
  addValue(value) {
      return atom.value + value;
      },
  };
```

♦ Using Property value shorthand

```
const skywalker = 'Sky walker';
//Bad
const obj = {
    skywalker: skywalker,
    };
//Good
const obj = {
    skywalker,
    };
```

◆ Group Shorthand properties at the begining of your object declaration because it is easy to tell which properties are using the shorthand.

```
const skywalker = 'sky walker';
const lskywalker = 'lsky walker';
//Bad
const obj = {
one: 1,
```

```
two: 2,
skywalker,
lskywalker
}

//Good
const obj = {
skywalker,
lskywalker,
one: 1,
two: 2
}
```

♦ Only quote properties that are invalid identifiers.

```
// Bad
const bad = {
'foo': 3,
'bar': 4,
'data-blah': 5,
};

// Good
const good = {
foo: 3,
bar: 4,
'data-blah': 5,
};
```

2. Arrays

♦ Use literal syntax for array creation

```
// Bad
const items = new Array();
// Good
const items = [];
```

◆ Use <u>Array#push</u> instead of direct assignment to add items to an array.

```
const someStack = [];
// Bad
someStack[someStack.length] = 'value';
// Good
someStack.push('value');
```

◆ Use Array spreads '. . .' to copy arrays

```
// Bad
const len = items.length;
const itemsCopy = [];
let i;

for (i = 0; i < len; i += 1) {
```

```
itemsCopy[i] = items[i];
}
// Good
const itemsCopy = [...items];
```

◆ To convert an array-like object to an array, use spreads '...' instead of Array.from.

```
const foo = document.querySelectorAll('.foo');
// Good
const nodes = Array.from(foo);
// Best
const nodes = [...foo];
```

◆ Use <u>Array.from</u> instead of spread '...' for mapping over iterables, because it avoids creating an intermediate array.

```
// Bad
const baz = [...foo].map(bar);
// Good
const baz = Array.from(foo, bar);
```

3. Destructuring

♦ Use object destructuring when accessing and using multiple properties of an object.

```
// Bad
function getFullName(user) {
  const firstName = user.firstName;
  const lastName = user.lastName;

return `${firstName} ${lastName}`;
}

// Good
function getFullName(user) {
  const { firstName, lastName } = user;
  return `${firstName} ${lastName}`;
}

// best
function getFullName({ firstName, lastName }) {
  return `${firstName} ${lastName}`;
}
```

♦ Use array destructuring.

```
const arr = [1, 2, 3, 4];
// Bad
```

```
const first = arr[0];
const second = arr[1];

// Good
const [first, second] = arr;
```

4. Strings

◆ Use single quotes "

```
// Bad const name = "Adam";

// Good const name = 'Adam';
```

- Use String concatenation for multiline strings
- ◆ Never use eval() on a string, it opens too many vulnerabilities.
- ◆ Do not unnecessarily escape characters in strings

```
// Bad
const foo = '\'this\' \i\s \"quoted\"";
// Good
const foo = '\'this\' is "quoted"";
const foo = `my name is '${name}'`;
```

5. Functions

♦ Use named function expressions instead of function declarations.

◆ Never declare a function in a non-function block (if, while, etc). Assign the function to a variable instead.

```
// Bad
if (currentUser) {
    function test() {
      console.log('Nope.');
    }
```

```
}
// Good
let test;
if (currentUser) {
    test = () => {
        console.log('Yup.');
    };
```

♦ Never name a parameter arguments. This will take precedence over the arguments object that is given to every function scope.

♦ Always put default parameters last.

♦ Never mutate parameters because manipulating objects passed in as parameters can cause unwanted side effects in variables.

```
// Bad
function f1(obj) {
      obj.key = 1;
}

// Good
function f2(obj) {
      const key = Object.prototype.hasOwnProperty.call(obj, 'key') ? obj.key : 1;
}
```

Never reassign passed in parameters.

◆ Prefer the use of the spread operator . . . to call variadic functions.

```
// Bad
const x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
console.log.apply(console, x);

// Good
const x = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];
console.log(...x);
```

6. Arrow Functions

When using an anonymous function (as when passing an inline callback), use arrow function notation.

```
// Bad
[1, 2, 3].map(function (x) {
   const y = x + 1;
   return x * y;
});

// Good
[1, 2, 3].map((x) => {
   const y = x + 1;
   return x * y;
});
```

◆ Avoid confusing arrow function syntax (=>) with comparison operators (<=, >=).

```
//Bad
const itemHeight = item => item.height > 256 ? item.largeSize : item.smallSize;

// Good
const itemHeight = item => (item.height > 256 ? item.largeSize : item.smallSize);
```

7. Classes & Constructors

◆ Always use class. Avoid manipulating prototype directly because class syntax is more precise and easier

```
// Bad
function Queue(contents = []) {
   this.queue = [...contents];
}
Queue.prototype.pop = function () {
   const value = this.queue[0];
   this.queue.splice(0, 1);
   return value;
```

```
};

// Good
class Queue {
  constructor(contents = []) {
    this.queue = [...contents];
  }
  pop() {
    const value = this.queue[0];
    this.queue.splice(0, 1);
    return value;
  }
}
```

◆ Use extends for inheritance.

```
// Good
class MyQueue extends Queue {
  peek() {
    return this.queue[0];
  }
}
```

◆ Write a custom toString() method

```
//Good
class MyClass {
  toString() {
    return `MyClass - ${this.getName()}`;
  }
}
```

8. Modules

◆ Do not use wildcard imports.

```
// Bad import * as MyModules from './MyModules'; 
// Good import MyModel from './MyModules';
```

◆ Do not export directly from an import.

```
// Bad
// filename es6.js
export { es6 as default } from './Lib';

// Good
// filename es6.js
import { es6 } from './Lib';
export default es6;
```

Only import from a path in one place.

```
// Bad import foo from 'foo';
```

```
// ... some other imports ... //
import { named1, named2 } from 'foo';

// Good
import foo, { named1, named2 } from 'foo';
```

♦ In modules with a single export, prefer default export over named export.

```
// Bad export function foo() {}

// Good export default function foo() {}
```

◆ Put all imports above non-import statements.

```
// Bad import foo from 'foo'; foo.init(); import bar from 'bar'; 
// Good import foo from 'foo'; import bar from 'bar';
```

♦ Multiline imports should be indented just like multiline array and object literals.

```
// Bad import {longNameA, longNameB, longNameC, longNameD, longNameE} from 'path';

// Good import {
            longNameA, longNameB, longNameB, longNameC, longNameC, longNameD, longNameD, longNameE, } from 'path';
```

9. Naming Conventions

◆ Avoid single letter names. Be descriptive with your naming.

♦ Use camelCase when naming objects, functions, and instances.

```
// Good
const thisIsMyObject = {};
function thisIsMyFunction() {}
```

◆ Do not use trailing or leading underscores.

```
// Bad this.__firstName__ = 'Panda';
// Good this.firstName = 'Panda';
```

♦ Use camelCase when you export-default a function.

```
function myStyleGuide() {
   // ...
}
export default myStyleGuide;
```