



Decoding

Error

Messages



**Understanding and Fixing
Common Error Messages**

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Syntax Errors

A syntax error means there's a mistake in the structure of your code, such as a missing character or misplaced operator.

Code Example:

```
const greet = (name => {  
  console.log("Hello, " + name);  
}); // SyntaxError: Unexpected token '>'
```

Fix:

```
const greet = (name) => {  
  console.log("Hello, " + name);  
}; // Corrected syntax
```

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Reference Errors

Reference error occurs when your code attempts to use a variable that has not been declared or is out of scope.

Code Example:

```
function printValue() {  
  console.log(myVar); // ReferenceError:  
myVar is not defined  
}  
printValue();
```

Fix:

```
function printValue() {  
  let myVar = 'Hello!';  
  console.log(myVar);  
}  
printValue();
```

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Type Errors

Type errors happen when you perform operations on a variable of an unexpected type, such as trying to access a property on undefined or null.

Code Example:

```
function getLength(arr) {  
  return arr.length; // TypeError: Cannot  
  read property 'length' of undefined  
}  
getLength();
```

Fix:

```
function getLength(arr) {  
  if (Array.isArray(arr)) {  
    return arr.length;  
  }  
  return 0; // Default to 0 if not an  
  array  
}  
getLength([]);
```


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Compilation Error

Compilation errors occur when your code cannot be compiled due to syntax issues or misconfigurations in the build process.

Code Example:

```
// ES6+ syntax in an environment that does  
not support modules  
import { readFile } from 'fs'; //  
SyntaxError: Unexpected token 'import'
```

Fix:

```
// CommonJS syntax compatible with  
environments that do not support ES6  
modules  
const { readFile } = require('fs');
```

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Range Errors

Range errors occur when a value is out of the permissible range, such as specifying a negative number for array length.

Code Example:

```
let arr = new Array(-1); // RangeError:  
Invalid array length
```

Explanation: Array lengths must be non-negative integers.

Fix:

```
let arr = new Array(10); // Valid array  
length
```

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Network Errors

Network errors occur when a network request fails due to issues such as incorrect URLs or server problems.

Code Example:

```
fetch('https://api.example.com/data')  
  .then(response => response.json())  
  .then(data => console.log(data))  
  .catch(error =>  
    console.error('NetworkError:', error));
```

Fix: Ensure the URL is correct and the server is operational. Handle errors gracefully.



Deprecation Warnings



Deprecation warnings indicate that a feature or API is outdated and will be removed in future releases.

Code Example:

```
const os = require('os');  
console.log(os.tmpdir()); //  
DeprecationWarning: 'os.tmpdir' is  
deprecated
```

Fix:

```
const { tmpdir } = require('os');  
console.log(tmpdir());
```





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