

# ARRAYS (PART 1)

What have we learned about arrays so far?

1. We create an array using square brackets:

```
const myArray = []; // an empty array
```

2. One array can hold many items of data (like an object)

3. We use *indexes* to access data from an array

4. Indexes begin from 0

```
myArray[0]; // returns a value
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We used this property in loops, so we know how many times to loop through the array

We saw in a previous presentation how *strings* have methods we can use, for example:

```
1 const name = "Luigi";  
2  
3 const result = name.toUpperCase(); // "LUIGI"
```

Arrays *also* have their own methods



- concat()
- copyWithin()
- entries()
- every()
- filter()
- find()
- findIndex()
- forEach()
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- `push()`
- `pop()`
- `forEach()`
- `filter()`

*push()* allows us to *ADD* items to the *END* of an array

```
1 const fruit = [ "apple" ];  
2  
3 fruit.push("pineapple");  
4  
5 console.log(fruit); // [ "apple", "pineapple" ]
```

*pop()* allows us to *REMOVE* items at the *END* of an array

```
1 const fruit = [ "apple", "pineapple" ];  
2  
3 fruit.pop();  
4  
5 console.log(fruit); // [ "apple" ]
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**Pay attention because this is a question I have asked  
candidates during interviews! 🤔**

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Using `typeof` we can tell if a value is:



# A number

```
1 const value = 12;  
2  
3 typeof value; // "number"
```



# A string

```
1 const value = "Hello";  
2  
3 typeof value; // "string"
```



# A boolean

```
1 const value = true;  
2  
3 typeof value; // "boolean"
```





# Undefined

```
1 const value;  
2  
3 typeof value; // "undefined"
```



# An object

```
1 const value = {};  
2  
3 typeof value; // "object"
```

What happens if we try `typeof` on an array?

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A candidate once gave me this as his answer in an interview. He didn't get the job 🤡



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That's right, arrays have the same type as regular objects

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`Array.isArray()`

```
1 const value = [ "cat", "dog" ];  
2  
3 Array.isArray(value); // true  
4  
5 const value = 12;  
6  
7 Array.isArray(value); // false
```

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2  
3 value.isArray(value); // isArray is not a function  
4  
5 Array.isArray(value); // true
```