

We're not limited to declaring reactive *values* — we can also run arbitrary *statements* reactively. For example, we can log the value of `count` whenever it changes:

```
$: console.log('the count is ' + count);
```

You can easily group statements together with a block:

```
$: {  
  console.log('the count is ' + count);  
  alert('I SAID THE COUNT IS ' + count);  
}
```

You can even put the `$:` in front of things like `if` blocks:

```
$: if (count >= 10) {  
  alert('count is dangerously high!');  
  count = 9;  
}
```