JavaScript Variables

Variables are "containers" for storing information.

JavaScript variables are used to hold values or expressions.

A variable can have a short name, like x, or a more descriptive name, like carname. Rules for JavaScript variable names:

- Variable names are case sensitive (y and Y are two different variables)
- Variable names must begin with a letter or the underscore character

Declaring (Creating) JavaScript Variables

var x;

var carname;

Assigning Values to Variables

var x=5;

var carname="Scorpio";

The Lifetime of JavaScript Variables

When you declare a variable within a function, the variable can only be accessed within that function.

When you exit the function, the variable is destroyed. These variables are called local variables. You can

have local variables with the same name in different functions, because each is recognized only by the

function in which it is declared.

If you declare a variable outside a function, all the functions on your page can access it. The lifetime of

these variables starts when they are declared, and ends when the page is closed.

DataTypes

• Numbers - are values that can be processed and calculated. You don't enclose them in quotation

marks. The numbers can be either positive or negative.

Strings - are a series of letters and numbers enclosed in quotation marks. JavaScript uses the string

literally; it doesn't process it. You'll use strings for text you want displayed or values you want passed along.

- Boolean (*true/false*) lets you evaluate whether a condition meets or does not meet specified criteria.
- Null is an empty value. **null** is not the same as 0 -- 0 is a real, calculable number, whereas **null** is

the absence of any value.

JavaScript Operators

Assignment operators
Comparison operators
Arithmetic operators
Bitwise operators
Logical operators
BigInt operators
String operators
Conditional (ternary) operator
Comma operator
Unary operators
Relational operators

ARITHMETIC:-

| Operator | Example | Same As | Result |
|------------|---------|---------|--------|
| = | x=y | | x=5 |
| += | x+=y | x=x+y | x=15 |
| | x-=y | x=x-y | x=5 |
| *= | x*=y | x=x*y | x=50 |
| <i> </i> = | x/=y | x=x/y | x=2 |
| %= | x%=y | x=x%y | x=0 |

ASSIGNMENT:-

| Operator | Example | Same As | Result |
|------------|---------|---------|--------|
| = | x=y | | x=5 |
| += | x+=y | x=x+y | x=15 |
| - | x-=y | x=x-y | x=5 |
| *= | x*=y | x=x*y | x=50 |
| <i> </i> = | x/=y | x=x/y | x=2 |
| %= | x%=y | x=x%y | x=0 |

COMPARISON:-

| Operator | Description | Example | |
|----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| - | is equal to | x=8 is false | |
| | is exactly equal to (value and type) | x==5 is true x=="5" is false | |
| != | is not equal | x!=8 is true | |
| > | is greater than | x>8 is false | |
| < | is less than | x<8 is true | |
| >= | is greater than or equal to | x>=8 is false | |
| <= | is less than or equal to | x<=8 is true | |

LOGICAL:-

| Operator | Description | Example | |
|----------|-------------|---------------------------|--|
| && | and | (x < 10 && y > 1) is true | |
| I I | or | (x==5 y==5) is false | |
| ! | not | (x==y) is true | |

JavaScript Controlling(Looping) Statements

Loops in JavaScript are used to execute the same block of code a specified number of times or while

a specified condition is true.

JavaScript Loops

Very often when you write code, you want the same block of code to run over and over again in a row.

Instead of adding several almost equal lines in a script we can use loops to perform a task like this.

In JavaScript there are two different kind of loops:

for - loops through a block of code a specified number of times

while - loops through a block of code while a specified condition is true

Conditional Statements

Very often when you write code, you want to perform different actions for different decisions. You can

use conditional statements in your code to do this.

In JavaScript we have the following conditional statements:

if statement - use this statement if you want to execute some code only if a specified condition is

true

if...else statement - use this statement if you want to execute some code if the condition is true

and another code if the condition is false

if...else if....else statement - use this statement if you want to select one of many
blocks of code to
be executed

switch statement - use this statement if you want to select one of many blocks of code to be executed

JavaScript Functions

A function (also known as a *method*) is a self-contained piece of code that performs a particular

"function". You can recognise a function by its format - it's a piece of descriptive text, followed by open

and close brackets. A function is a reusable code-block that will be executed by an event, or when the

function is called.

To keep the browser from executing a script when the page loads, you can put your script into a function.

A function contains code that will be executed by an event or by a call to that function. You may call a function from anywhere within the page (or even from other pages if the function is

embedded in an external .js file)

How to Define a Function

```
function functionname(var1,var2,...,varX)
{
some code
}
```