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Loops

Sometimes we want our code to run multiple times. For example, we want to keep prompting a user to guess a number until they get it right. For this, we would want to use a loop. There are a few different ways you can write loops.

For loops

For loops are the most common type of loop. Typically you will use this one when you know in advance how many iterations you need.

A for loop needs three options:

- 1. The counter variable (usually called 'i')
- 2. The condition to keep running the loop
- 3. Increment or decrement

```
for (let i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    console.log(i);
}</pre>
```

This loop will start at 0, increase by 1 each loop, and will log the current value of 'i' to the console until it reaches 10.

A common way to use a for loop is to iterate over an array:

```
let a = [4, 7, 5, 9, 10];
for (let i = 0; i < a.length; i++) {
    console.log(a[i], i);
}</pre>
```

What will this output to the console?

• It will log each number in the array

While loop

A while loop is usually used when the number of iterations is not known beforehand, and you want to continue looping until a condition becomes false.

```
let whileVariable = 10;
while (whileVariable > 0) {
    console.log(whileVariable);
    whileVariable--;
}
```

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Do...While loop

Similar to a while loop, except this loop **ALWAYS** runs at least once.

```
let whileVariable = 10;
do {
    console.log(whileVariable);
    whileVariable--;
} while (whileVariable > 10);
```

Because the condition check (the "while" part) is after the code to 'do' something, it will always run at least one time.