

Reminders

- **Homework 1** (not optional) is at weblab.to/homework1 → please complete it ASAP as you will need certain installations for Wednesday's workshops!
- **Milestone 0** (not optional) can be found at weblab.to/milestone0 and is due tomorrow, Wednesday 11:59 PM :)
 - If you still need teammates, please check out the **"Search for teammates"** post on piazza!
- **Lunch reminders:**
 - We are serving food to in-person students, but under the agreement that you **eat outdoors**. No one should be unmasked/eating inside the lecture hall at any point during the day!
 - When you're eating outside, please try to **spread out**, away from other groups. It is important that we be safe about eating, else there's a chance we may get shut down which will be very BAD.

Reminders

- weblab.to/questions
- weblab.to/bukabuka

JavaScript

Albert Xing

Recap

HTML

- Describes **content** and **structure**
- What exists? How is it organized?

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title>A Cool Webpage</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <p>
      programming is just spicy Googling
    </p>
  </body>
</html>
```

CSS

- Describes the **presentation**
- Colors! Fonts! Alignment, margins, borders, shading, and more

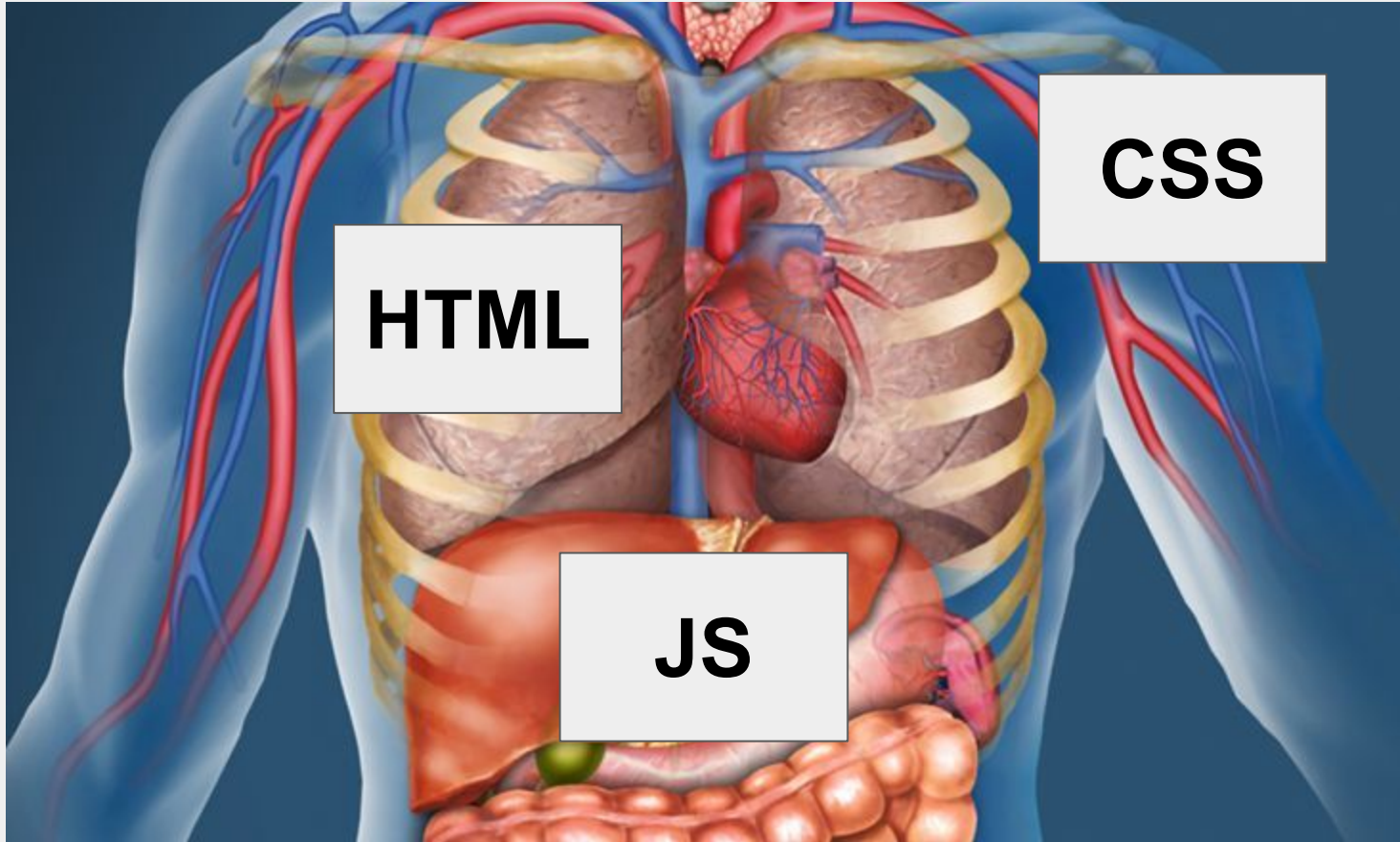
```
body {
  background-color:  red;
}

p {
  font-family: Helvetica;
  font-size: 16px;
}
```

JavaScript is...

- ... a programming language that **manipulates** the content of a web page
- ... how we take HTML + CSS and make it **interactive!**
- ... used by a vast majority of websites and web applications
- ... not related to Java 🙄

```
const bulkAssignDorm = (people, dorm) => {  
  for (let i = 0; i < people.length; i++) {  
    people[i].dorm = dorm;  
  }  
};  
  
button.addEventListener("click", () => {  
  bulkAssignDorm(students, "Lobby 10");  
  console.log("Complete!");  
});
```



HTML

CSS

JS

Where does it go?

Where can we run JavaScript code?

1. The browser console

Chrome: Ctrl + Shift + J (on Windows) / Cmd + Option + J (on Mac)

Firefox: Ctrl + Shift + J (on Windows) / Cmd + Shift + J (on Mac)

2. Tied to our HTML file (more on that later!)

How to JavaScript

Types

JavaScript has 5 primitive data types:

- Boolean (true, false)
- Number (12, 1.618, -46.7, 0, etc.)
- String ("hello", "world!", "12", "", etc.)
- Null
- Undefined

Operators

Things (mostly) work how you would expect:

```
> 5+4
< 9

> 8-2
< 6

> 3*7
< 21

> 1/3
< 0.3333333333333333

> "cool string" + "cooler string"
< "cool stringcooler string"

>
```

arithmetic operators

```
> 2 === 2
< true

> 6 !== 7
< true

> 15 < 11
< false

> 8 > 3
< true

> 19 <= 19
< true

>
```

(note the triple equals sign!)



comparison operators

Syntax

```
// this function finds the GCD of two numbers
const greatestCommonDivisor = (a, b) => {
  while (b !== 0) {
    const temp = b;
    b = a % b;
    a = temp;
  }
  return a;
}
```

```
const x = 50;
const y = 15;
const gcd = greatestCommonDivisor(x, y); // 5
```

Every statement in JavaScript ends with a semicolon;

Whitespace is ignored. (but can improve readability)

Curly braces denote where **blocks** begin and end.

These are **comments**. It doesn't affect how the code runs, but you should use them to keep your codebase readable!

Defining variables

JavaScript convention
is to name variables
using **camelCase**.

```
let myBoolean = true;  
let myNumber = 12;  
let myString = "Hello World!";  
  
myBoolean = false;  
myNumber = -5.6;  
myString = "";
```

Defining constants

To define a variable which *cannot* be re-assigned later:

```
const answerToLife = 6.148;
```

```
// this WILL NOT work!!!
```

```
answerToLife = 42;
```

let vs. const

Why bother using `const` when `let` exists?

Safe code practices! If something should never be changed, don't let it change :)

```
const secondsPerMinute = 60;  
// if this needs to be changed, then  
// we have bigger issues to address
```

null vs. undefined

undefined means “declared but not yet assigned a value”

null means “no value”

```
let firstName;  
// currently, firstName is undefined  
  
firstName = "Albert";  
// firstName has now been assigned to a value  
  
firstName = null;  
// we can explicitly "empty" the variable
```

let vs. var

tl;dr please don't use **var**

```
let userLoggedIn = true;
```

```
var userLoggedIn = true;
```

technical details (Google it if you're interested):

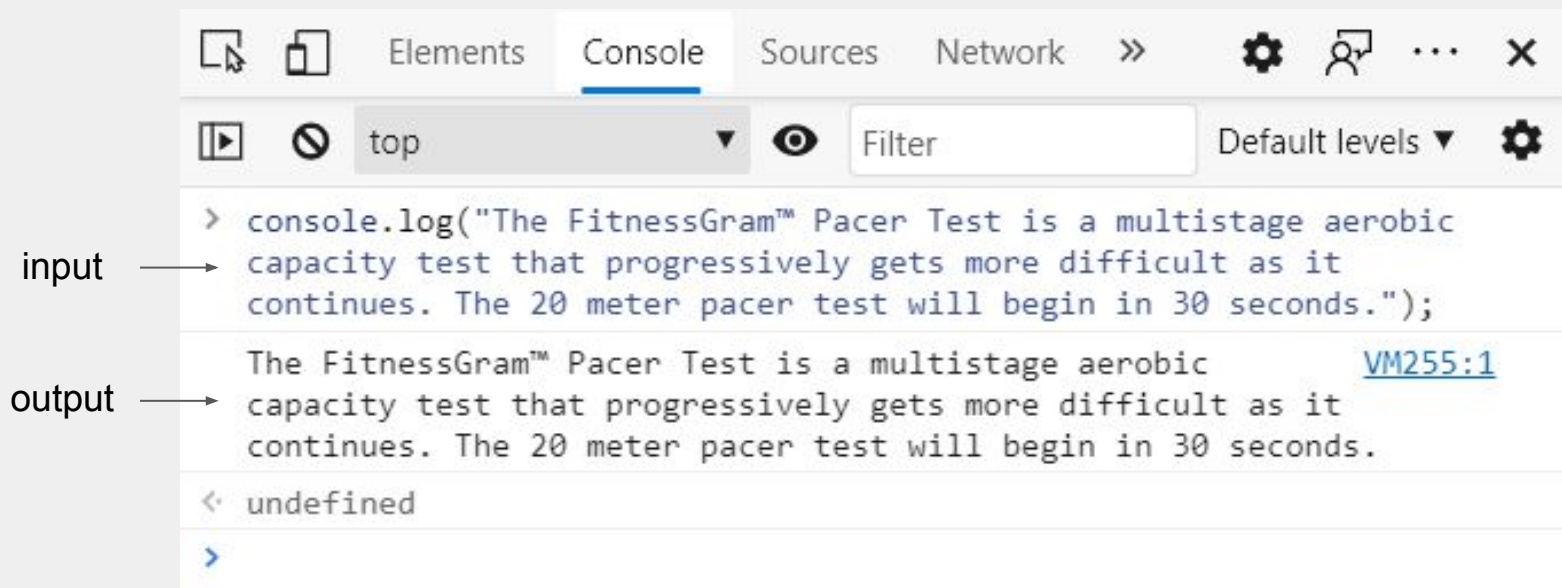
let is block-scoped

var is function-scoped

let exists because people kept getting bugs when trying to use **var**

Output

`console.log()` writes to the JavaScript console:



Output

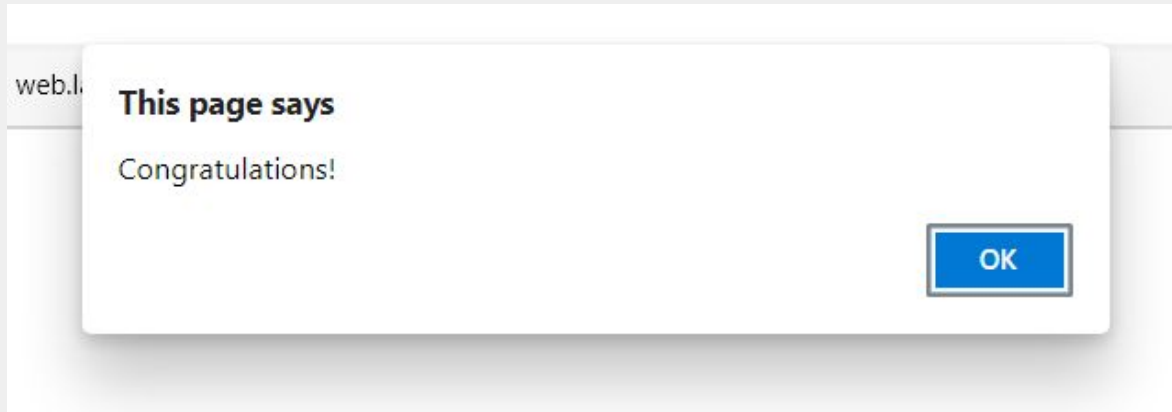
Handy for quick debugging!

```
let salary = 30000;  
salary = salary + 5000;  
salary = salary * 2;  
  
console.log(salary);  
// should output 70000
```

Alerts

`alert()` generates a pop-up notification with the given content.

```
alert("Congratulations!");
```



Questions?

Arrays

For when you want to store a sequence of (ideally similar) items:

```
// initialize
let pets = ["cat", "dog", "guinea pig", "bird"];

// access
console.log(pets[3]); // "bird"

// replace
pets[2] = "hamster"; // ["cat", "dog", "hamster", "bird"]
```

Arrays


```
// initialize  
let pets = ["cat", "dog", "guinea pig", "bird"];  
  
// remove from end  
pets.pop(); // ["cat", "dog", "guinea pig"]  
  
// add to end  
pets.push("rabbit"); // ["cat", "dog", "guinea pig", "rabbit"]
```

Conditionals

We often want to perform different actions in response to different conditions.

For this, we use the **conditional operators** `if`, `else`, and `else if`:

Note the indent (tab)!
It's not necessary, but
it will make your code
much more readable.



```
if (hour < 12) {  
    console.log("Good morning!");  
} else if (hour < 16) {  
    console.log("Good afternoon!");  
} else if (hour < 20) {  
    console.log("Good evening!");  
} else {  
    console.log("Good night!");  
}
```

While loops

What if we want to repeat an action *as long as* some condition is satisfied?

```
let z = 1;

while (z < 1000) {
  z = z * 2;
  console.log(z);
}
```

2

4

8

16

32

64

128

256

512

1024

For loops

Useful when we want to iterate through indices:

I love my cat
I love my dog
I love my guinea pig
I love my bird

```
const pets = ["cat", "dog", "guinea pig", "bird"];

for (let i = 0; i < pets.length; i++) {
  const phrase = "I love my " + pets[i];
  console.log(phrase);
}
```

For ... of ...

A more “pythonic” way of iterating:

I love my cat
I love my dog
I love my guinea pig
I love my bird

Requires the keyword **of** instead of **in**

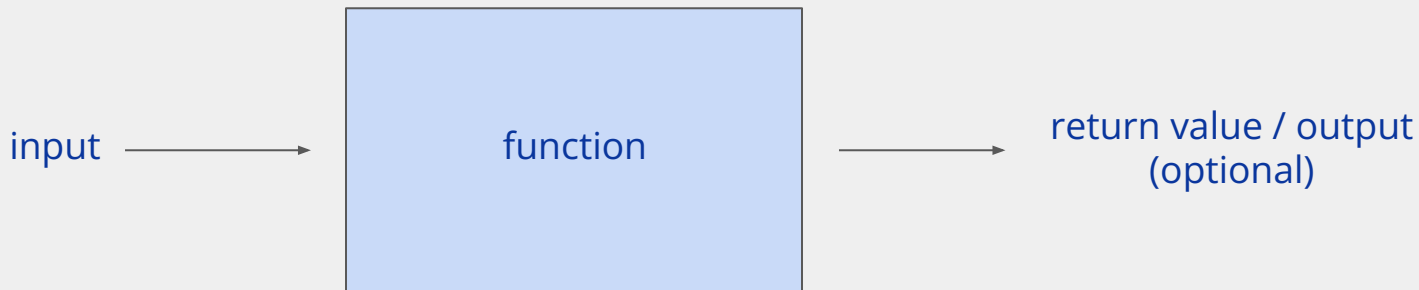
```
const pets = ["cat", "dog", "guinea pig", "bird"];

for (const animal of pets) {
  const phrase = "I love my " + animal;
  console.log(phrase);
}
```

Questions?

Functions

A **function** is a compartmentalized block of code which can be given input and asked to perform a set of instructions on that input.



Sometimes, we want the function to **return** an output value.

Other times, what matters more is what happens inside the “box” (the function body).

Functions

JavaScript functions can be defined using this cute little arrow =>

Syntax: (parameters) => { body };

parentheses are optional if there's only one parameter

```
const celsiusToFahrenheit = tempC => {  
  const tempF = tempC * 1.8 + 32;  
  return tempF;  
};
```

```
console.log(celsiusToFahrenheit(10));  
// should output 50
```

The actual parameter value(s) given to the function are called **arguments**.

Callback functions

In JavaScript, functions can be passed around like any other variable.

This means we can give a **“callback”** function as an argument to another function!

Why might we do this?

Callback functions

```
const addTwo = x => {  
  return x + 2;  
};  
  
const modifyArray = (array, callback) => {  
  for (let i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {  
    array[i] = callback(array[i]);  
  }  
};  
  
let myArray = [5, 10, 15, 20];  
modifyArray(myArray, addTwo); // [7, 12, 17, 22]
```

A common mistake with callback functions

`addTwo` is a function.

`addTwo(x)` is the *value* that gets returned when you run `addTwo` on `x`.

`modifyArray` needs to be given the actual function in order to use it!

```
const addTwo = x => {  
  return x + 2;  
};
```

```
let myArray = [5, 10, 15, 20];  
modifyArray(myArray, addTwo);
```

Don't do this:



```
modifyArray(myArray, addTwo(x));
```


Callback functions

```
const addTwo = x => {  
  return x + 2;  
};
```

```
const modifyArray = (array, callback) => {  
  for (let i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {  
    array[i] = callback(array[i]);  
  }  
};
```

```
let myArray = [5, 10, 15, 20];  
modifyArray(myArray, addTwo); // [7, 12, 17, 22]
```

Anonymous functions

```
const modifyArray = (array, callback) => {  
  for (let i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {  
    array[i] = callback(array[i]);  
  }  
};
```

```
let myArray = [5, 10, 15, 20];  
modifyArray(myArray, x => {  
  return x + 2;  
});
```

Anonymous functions

If your function is simple enough, you can use the following shorthand.

Syntax: `(parameters) => output;`

```
const modifyArray = (array, callback) => {  
  for (let i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {  
    array[i] = callback(array[i]);  
  }  
};
```

```
let myArray = [5, 10, 15, 20];  
modifyArray(myArray, x => x + 2);
```

Other built-in array functions

If it seems common enough, there's probably a built-in function for it!

For arrays, we've seen **push** and **pop**, which mutate the target array *in-place*.

We also have **map** and **filter**, which produce a *new* array based on some instruction. (This “instruction” is going to be a callback function!)

```
let myArray = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
myArray.map(...);  
myArray.filter(...);
```

map(...)

Creates a new array by applying the callback function to every element of the starting array.

```
let myArray = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5];  
let modifiedArray = myArray.map(x => x * 3);  
// modifiedArray === [3, 6, 9, 12, 15]
```

```
const celsiusToFahrenheit = tempC => {  
  const tempF = tempC * 1.8 + 32;  
  return tempF;  
}  
  
let celsius = [-40, -20, 0, 20, 40];  
let fahrenheit = celsius.map(celsiusToFahrenheit);  
// fahrenheit === [-40, -4, 32, 68, 104]
```

filter(...)

Creates a new array by selecting the elements in the starting array which pass the given “test” (i.e. *filtering out* the “bad” elements and keeping the “good” ones).

```
let values = [3, -6, 2, 0, -9, 4];  
let positiveValues = values.filter(x => x > 0);  
// positiveValues === [3, 2, 4];
```

```
const staffNames = ["Claire", "Daniel", "", "Mufaro", "", "Nick"];  
const validNames = staffNames.filter(name => name !== "");  
// validNames = ["Claire", "Daniel", "Mufaro", "Nick"]
```

Questions?

Comments?

Concerns?

Wait, we don't have a primitive data type for this



Objects

A JavaScript **object** is a collection of **name:value** pairs.

```
const myCar = {  
  make    : "Ford",  
  model   : "Mustang",  
  year    : 2005,  
  color   : "red"  
};
```

Accessing properties

There are two ways to access object properties, if you know the property name:

```
const myCar = {  
  make    : "Ford",  
  model   : "Mustang",  
  year    : 2005,  
  color   : "red"  
};  
  
console.log(myCar.model);    // "Mustang"  
console.log(myCar["color"]); // "red"
```

Object destructuring

Object destructuring is a shorthand to obtain multiple properties at once.

without object destructuring

```
const myCar = {  
  make    : "Ford",  
  model   : "Mustang",  
  year    : 2005,  
  color   : "red"  
};  
  
const make = myCar.make;  
const model = myCar.model;
```

with object destructuring

```
const myCar = {  
  make    : "Ford",  
  model   : "Mustang",  
  year    : 2005,  
  color   : "red"  
};  
  
const { make, model } = myCar;
```

Using objects

```
const car1 = {  
  make    : "Ford",  
  model   : "Mustang",  
  year    : 2005,  
  color   : "red"  
};
```

```
const car2 = {  
  make    : "Honda",  
  model   : "Civic",  
  year    : 2011,  
  color   : "silver"  
};
```

etc.

We can treat objects like any other variable!

For example, given an array of car objects, we can apply a filter to just keep the red ones:

```
let myCars = [car1, car2, car3, car4, car5];  
let redCars = myCars.filter(car => car.color === "red");
```

Equality...?

We use `===` to check if two *primitive* variables are equal in JavaScript.

```
2 === 2;           // true
2 === 3;           // false
"2" === "2";       // true
2 === "2";         // false
```

But what does `===` mean for arrays and objects?

```
let arr1 = [1, 2, 3];
let arr2 = [1, 2, 3];

arr1 === arr2; // false!
```

```
let person1 = { name: "Bill Gates" };
let person2 = { name: "Bill Gates" };

person1 === person2; // false!
```

Object references

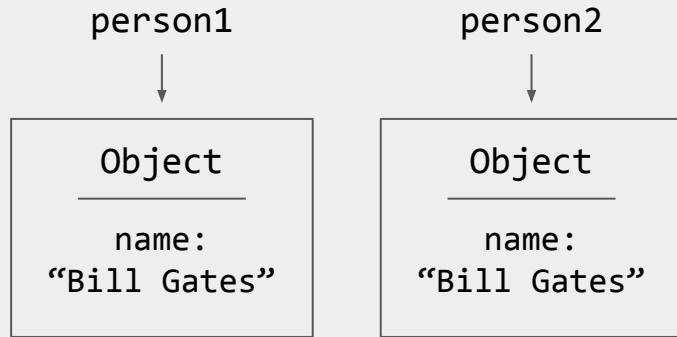
Object variables are **references** – they point to where the data is actually stored.

```
let person1 = { name: "Bill Gates" };  
let person2 = { name: "Bill Gates" };  
  
person1 === person2; // false!
```

=== checks if the *references* are equal.

Two objects created separately are stored separately, so their references are different!

Same goes for arrays – two arrays created separately have different references.



How to copy arrays and objects

It's not as simple as

```
let arr = [1, 2, 3];  
let copyArr = arr;
```

(Why not?)

One way to copy arrays and objects is to use the **spread** operator (`...`) like so:

```
let arr = [1, 2, 3];  
let copyArr = [...arr];
```

```
let obj = { name: "Bill Gates" };  
let copyObj = { ...obj };
```

You could also manually copy over every item / property. But where's the fun in that?

Why we don't use ==

So, we use === to check equality in JavaScript.

But what does == do?

It performs *type coercion*
(i.e. forces the arguments
to be of the same type
before comparing them)

```
2 === 2;    // true
```

```
2 === "2";  // false
```

```
2 == 2;     // true
```

```
2 == "2";   // also true!
```

tl;dr don't use ==

Classes

If you want multiple entities that are guaranteed to have shared behavior, use classes!

Every class has a **constructor** which tells it how to create a specific **instance** of that entity (in this case, a rectangle).




```
class Rectangle {  
  constructor(width, height) {  
    this.width = width;  
    this.height = height;  
  }  
}  
  
const smallRect = new Rectangle(3, 4);  
const bigRect = new Rectangle(15, 11);  
console.log(smallRect.width); // 3  
console.log(bigRect.height); // 11
```

Classes

Classes have **instance properties** which are specific to each instance. Instance properties are accessed with the keyword **this**.

Classes may also contain **methods** (functions) which can access and manipulate instance properties. The same methods exist in every instance of the class!

```
class Rectangle {  
  constructor(width, height) {  
    this.width = width;  
    this.height = height;  
  }  
  
  getArea = () => {  
    return this.width * this.height;  
  };  
}  
  
const rect = new Rectangle(6, 8);  
console.log(rect.getArea()); // 48
```



Summary

JavaScript is how we make things happen!

- Declare variables using let, const.
- boolean, number, string, null, undefined
- functions, arrays, objects, classes
- if, else, while, for

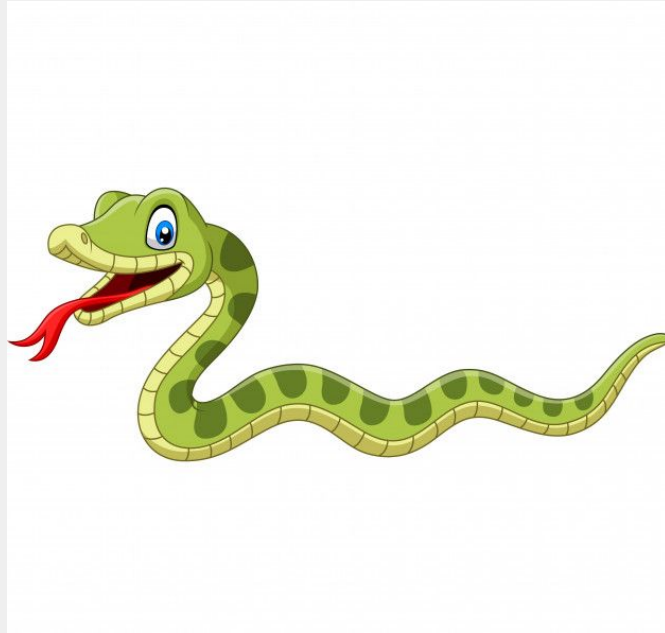
Up next: hands-on JavaScript workshop!

Questions?

W1: Javascript

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Agenda: Make Something With JS



Demo

Things We Need

1. Game setup
2. Snake
3. Respond to inputs
4. Food
5. Snake die

Let's get started!

cd into your catbook-react folder

Run *git fetch*

Run *git reset --hard*

Run *git checkout w1-starter*