# Babel is a JavaScript compiler.

Use next generation JavaScript, today.

Setup (/docs/setup) Try it Out (http://babeljs.io/repl/#?babili=false 2&experimental=false&loose=false&spec=false&code=%5B

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# Babel transforms your JavaScript

You put JavaScript in

```
JavaScript
```

```
[1,2,3].map(n \Rightarrow n + 1);
```

#### And get JavaScript out

#### JavaScript

```
[1,2,3].map(function(n) {
  return n + 1;
});
```

#### Start by installing the Babel CLI and a preset

#### Shell

```
npm install --save-dev babel-cli babel-preset-env
```

# Create a .babelrc (/docs/usage/babelrc) file in your project (or use your package.json (/docs/usage/babelrc#use-via-package-json))

```
JSON

{
    "presets": ["env"]
}
```

### ES2015 and beyond

Babel has support for the latest version of JavaScript through syntax transformers. These plugins (https://babeljs.io/docs/plugins/) allow you to use new syntax, **right now** without waiting for browser support. Check out our env preset (https://babeljs.io/docs/plugins/preset-env) to get started.

You can install this preset with

```
Shell
```

npm install --save-dev babel-preset-env

and add "env" to your .babelrc presets array.

- ✓ Arrow functions (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-arrow-functions)
- √ Async functions (/docs/plugins/syntax-async-functions)
- √ Async generator functions (/docs/plugins/syntax-async-generators)
- √ Block scoping (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-block-scoping)
- √ Block scoped functions (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-block-scoped-functions)
- √ Classes (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-classes)
- √ Class properties (/docs/plugins/transform-class-properties)
- ✓ Computed property names (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-computed-properties)
- √ Constants (/docs/plugins/check-es2015-constants)
- √ Decorators (/docs/plugins/transform-decorators)
- ✓ Default parameters (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-parameters)
- ✓ Destructuring (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-destructuring)
- √ Do expressions (/docs/plugins/transform-do-expressions)
- √ Exponentiation operator (/docs/plugins/transform-exponentiation-operator)
- √ For-of (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-for-of)
- √ Function bind (/docs/plugins/transform-function-bind)
- √ Generators (/docs/plugins/transform-regenerator)
- √ Modules (/docs/plugins/#modules)
- √ Module export extensions (/docs/plugins/transform-export-extensions)
- ✓ New literals (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-literals)
- √ Object rest/spread (/docs/plugins/transform-object-rest-spread)
- ✓ Property method assignment (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-shorthand-properties)
- ✓ Property name shorthand (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-shorthand-properties)
- √ Rest parameters (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-parameters)
- ✓ Spread (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-parameters)
- √ Sticky regex (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-sticky-regex)
- ✓ Template literals (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-template-literals)
- √ Trailing function commas (/docs/plugins/syntax-trailing-function-commas)
- √ Type annotations (/docs/plugins/transform-flow-strip-types)
- ✓ Unicode regex (/docs/plugins/transform-es2015-unicode-regex)

Learn more about ES2015 → (/docs/learn-es2015/)

## **Polyfill**

Since Babel only transforms syntax (like arrow functions), you can use babel-polyfill in order to support new globals such as Promise or new native methods like String.padStart (left-pad). It uses core-js (https://github.com/zloirock/core-js) and regenerator (https://facebook.github.io/regenerator/). Check out our babel-polyfill (/docs/usage/polyfill) docs for more info.

You can install the polyfill with

#### Shell

```
npm install --save-dev babel-polyfill
```

Use it by requiring it at the top of the entry point to your application or in your bundler config.

- ✓ ArrayBuffer (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/ArrayBuffer)
- ✓ Array.from (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/from)
- ✓ Array.of (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/of)
- √ Array#copyWithin (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global Objects/Array/copyWithin)
- ✓ Array#fill (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/fill)
- $\checkmark \ \ \, \text{Array\#find (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/find)} \\$
- ✓ Array#findIndex (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Array/findIndex)
- $\checkmark \ \ Function\#name \ (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Function/name)$
- ✓ Map (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Map)

- ✓ Math.acosh (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Math/acosh)
- Math.hypot (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global Objects/Math/hypot)
- ✓ Math.imul (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Math/imul)
- ✓ Number.isNaN (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global Objects/Number/isNaN)
- √ Number.isInteger (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Number/isInteger)
- ✓ Object.assign (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Object/assign)
- ✓ Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptors (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-

US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Object/getOwnPropertyDescriptors)

- ✓ Object.is (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Object/is)
- ✓ Object.entries (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Object/entries)
- ✓ Object.values (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Object/values)
- √ Object.setPrototypeOf (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Object/setPrototypeOf)
- ✓ Promise (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Promise)
- √ Reflect (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Reflect)
- √ RegExp#flags (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/RegExp/flags)
- ✓ Set (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Set)
- ✓ String#codePointAt (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/codePointAt)
- √ String#endsWith (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/endsWith)
- √ String.fromCodePoint (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/fromCodePoint)
- √ String#includes (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/includes)
- ✓ String.raw (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/raw)
- ✓ String#repeat (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/repeat)
- ✓ String#startsWith (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/startsWith)
- ✓ String#padStart (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/String/padStart)
- √ String#padEnd (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global Objects/String/padEnd)
- ✓ Symbol (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/Symbol)
- ✓ WeakMap (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/WeakMap)
- √ WeakSet (https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global\_Objects/WeakSet)

Learn about more features → (https://github.com/zloirock/core-js#index)

#### **JSX and Flow**

Babel can convert JSX syntax and strip out type annotations. Check out our React preset (https://babeljs.io/docs/plugins/preset-react/) to get started. Use it together with the babel-sublime (https://github.com/babel/babel-sublime) package to bring syntax highlighting to a whole new level.

You can install this preset with

Learn more about JSX (https://facebook.github.io/jsx/) and Flow (http://flowtype.org/)

### **Pluggable**

Babel is built out of plugins. Compose your own transformation pipeline using existing plugins or write your own. Easily use a set of plugins by using or creating a preset (/docs/plugins/#presets). Learn more  $\rightarrow$  (/docs/plugins/)

Create a plugin on the fly with astexplorer.net (https://astexplorer.net/#/KJ8AjD6maa)

```
JavaScript

// A plugin is just a function
export default function ({types: t}) {
   return {
     visitor: {
        Identifier(path) {
        let name = path.node.name;
        // reverse the name: JavaScript -> tpircSavaJ
        path.node.name = name.split('').reverse().join('');
     }
   }
};
}
```

### Debuggable

Source map support so you can debug your compiled code with ease.

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