

#typescript : Types in TypeScript

TypeScript is a superset of JavaScript.

Let's have a gentle introduction of different types available in TypeScript:

1) String

```
let name: string = 'Rizwan';
```

2) Number

```
let age: number = 21;
```

3) Boolean

```
let isEven: boolean = true;
```

4) Array

```
let ages: number[] = [9, 21, 10]
```

5) Any

```
let distance: any[] = ['1000km', 1000]
```

-> any type is compatible with all the other existing types, so we can type any data with it and assign any value to it later.

-> The null and undefined are typed under “any” type.

6) Custom types

```
type Animal = 'cat' | 'dog'
```

```
let animal1: Animal = 'cat' //correct
```

```
let animal2: Animal = 'bear' //Type '"bear"' is not  
assignable to type 'Animal'
```

7) Enum

```
enum Brands {  
    BMW,  
    Ford,  
    Audi
```

```
}  
Const myCar: Brands = Brands.Ford
```

-> Inspecting myCar returns 1, which is the index held by Ford.

-> Using enum we can also assign custom numeric values as well.

8) Void

```
function test(): void {  
    const A = 0;  
}
```

-> The void type represents the absence of any type.

9) Type inference

```
let brand = 'BMW'  
brand = 123 // shows error -> Type 'number' is not  
assignable to type 'string'
```

-> Typing is optional since TypeScript is smart enough to infer the data types of variables and function return values out of context with a certain level of accuracy.

-> When type inference is not possible, it will assign the “any” type to that data.

10) Partial

```
interface Hero {  
    name: string  
    power: number  
}  
  
const hero: Partial<Hero> = {  
    name: 'Iron man'  
}
```

-> We use this type when we want to create an object from an interface but include some of its properties, not all of them.

11) Union

```
let age: string | number = '78'  
age = 21
```

-> It is used to mix types

-> It is used when we know what the possible types are

12) Nullable

```
interface Hero {  
    powers: number[] | null | undefined  
}
```

-> We can use null and undefined, along with the union type to indicate that a property is nullable.

-> link to GitHub Repo containing all post as pdf files:


References:

1) The TypeScript official site

<https://www.typescriptlang.org/>

2) The TypeScript official wiki

<https://github.com/microsoft/TypeScript/wiki>

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