

JavaScript Objects

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What are objects in JS?

An object is a collection of properties and methods (functions). **Objects in JavaScript, just as in many other programming languages, can be compared to objects in *real life*.**

For example, a real life object could be a cup. A cup has a color, a design, a weight, etc.

How to create objects in JS?

Although, there are several ways to create objects in JS, I'm going to show you a couple of them:

Using the keyword new.

```
var myCar = new Object();
```

Creating an empty object;

```
var table = {};
```

A property of an object can be explained as a variable that is *attached* to the object. Object properties are basically the same as ordinary JavaScript variables, except for the attachment to objects. The properties of an object define the characteristics of the object.

What are properties?

```
var myCar = new Object();  
//Let's add properties to our myCar Object  
myCar.make = 'Ford';  
myCar.model = 'Mustang';  
myCar.year = 1969;  
myCar.mote;  
myCar['mote'] = 'toretto';  
console.log(myCar);
```

How to add the properties?

You can create the properties of an object with a simple dot-notation, or with bracket notation.

```
var myCar = new Object();  
//Let's add properties to our myCar Object  
  
myCar.make = 'Ford';  
myCar['year'] = 1969;  
myCar.mote;  
myCar['mote'] = 'toretto';  
console.log(myCar);
```

```
var myLaptop = new Object();  
//Let's add properties to our myLaptop Object  
myLaptop.brand = 'Dell';  
myLaptop['model'] = 'Inspiron';  
myLaptop.serie;  
myLaptop['serie'] = 3000;  
console.log(myLaptop);
```

Now that we know how to create objects and add properties to it, we can learn two different ways for creating objects.

How to create objects function in JS?

In the following examples we are going to create objects using the keywords Function and Class. We use the 'this' keyword to create a reference to the property.

Declaring a function:

```
let myPhone = function(brand, model, year){  
  this.brand = brand;  
  this.model = model;  
  this.year = year;  
}  
console.log(myPhone);
```

Defining a Class:

```
class Object{  
  constructor(v1, v2){  
    this.v1 = v1;  
    this.v2 = v2;  
  }  
}  
console.log(Object);
```

These two ways make our objects reusable!

Methods in Objects JS?

Our objects will have a behavior which can be called Functions, or Methods. A method is declared as a property of an object, and can be declared when we create the object or later.

Declaring a function:

```
let myPhone = function(brand, model, year){  
  this.brand = brand;  
  this.model = model;  
  this.year = year;  
  this.method = function(){  
    console.log(this.brand);  
  }  
}  
console.log(myPhone);
```

Defining a Class:

```
class Object{  
  constructor(v1, v2){  
    this.v1 = v1;  
    this.v2 = v2;  
  }  
  v3(){  
    console.log(this.v1);  
  }  
}  
console.log(Object);
```

These ones make
the code
reusable!

If we need to create a new object which has the same properties that an existing object already has, we can create an instance of an object (*instantiate*) and this will *inherit* all the properties and methods of the existing object. Let's see how it works.

Instantiation and Inheritance in JS

```
let myPhone = function(brand, model, year){  
  this.brand = brand;  
  this.model = model;  
  this.year = year;  
  this.method = function(){  
    console.log(this.brand);  
  }  
}
```

```
//instance of the myPhone Object  
const phone1 = new myPhone('iPhone', 'X', '2018');  
console.log(phone1);  
phone1.method();
```


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Defining a Class:

```
class Rectangle{  
  constructor(width, length){  
    this.width = width;  
    this.length = length;  
  }  
  area(){  
    console.log(this.width * this.length);  
  }  
}  
// Instance of the Rectangle Object  
const rect1 = new Rectangle(20, 40);  
console.log(rect1);  
rect1.area();
```

Comparing Function and Classes

Declaring a function:

```
var myPhone = function(brand, model, year){  
  this.brand = brand;  
  this.model = model;  
  this.year = year;  
  this.method = function(){  
    console.log(this.brand);  
  }  
}  
const phone1 = new myPhone('iPhone', 'X', '2018');  
console.log(phone1);  
phone1.method();
```

Defining a Class:

```
class Object{  
  constructor(v1, v2){  
    this.v1 = v1;  
    this.v2 = v2;  
  }  
  v3(){  
    console.log('these are my two properties '  
+ this.v1 + this.v2);  
  }  
}  
const obj1 = new Object('firstVa', 'secondVa');  
console.log(obj1);  
obj1.v3();
```



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- Thanks for your attention!
- Resources:
- <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/JavaScript/Objects/Basics>

The End