

JavaScript Interview Q&As (Part 2)

◆ Section 1: ES6+ Features

Q21. What are Template Literals in JavaScript?

Answer: Template literals use backticks (``) instead of quotes and allow string interpolation using \${}. They also support multi-line strings.

Example:

```
const name = "Yash";
```

```
console.log(`Hello, ${name}!`);
```

💡 Tip: Mention – “They make dynamic strings easier and cleaner.”

Q22. What are Modules (import/export) in JS?

Answer: Modules split code into multiple files for better organization and reusability. export shares code, import brings it into another file.

Example: export const x=10; → import {x} from './file.js'.

💡 Tip: Say – “Modules prevent polluting the global scope.”

Q23. Difference between Default and Named Exports?

Answer:

- Default export → only one per file, imported without {}.
- Named export → multiple exports, imported with {}.

Example: export default func vs export {a, b}.

💡 Tip: Default = main thing, Named = multiple helpers.

Q24. What is Destructuring in JavaScript?

Answer: Destructuring extracts values from arrays or objects into separate variables.

Example:

```
const {name, age} = user;
```

```
const [a,b] = [1,2];
```

💡 Tip: Say — “Destructuring makes code shorter and more readable.”

Q25. What are Rest & Spread Operators?

Answer:

- Rest (...) collects arguments into an array.
- Spread (...) expands array/object elements.

Example: `function sum(...nums){`

`return nums.reduce((a,b)=>a+b) }`

💡 Tip: Mention — “Same syntax, different use: collect vs expand.”

◆ Section 2: Error Handling & Debugging

Q26. Difference between try...catch and promise .catch()?

Answer: try...catch handles synchronous errors, while .catch() is for promise rejections in async code.

Example:

```
try { riskyFn() } catch(e){ console.log(e) }
```

```
fetch('/api').catch(err => console.log(err))
```

💡 Tip: Say — “Use try...catch inside async/await functions.”

Q27. What is the finally block used for?

Answer: finally runs after try/catch, regardless of success or failure. Often used for cleanup like closing DB connections.

Example:

```
try { ... } catch(e){ ... } finally { console.log("Done") }
```

💡 Tip: Say — “finally always runs → cleanup guarantee.”

Q28. How do you create custom errors in JS?

Answer: Extend the Error class to make meaningful custom errors.

Example:

```
class AuthError extends Error {
```

```
  constructor(msg){ super(msg); this.name="AuthError"; }
```

```
}
```

💡 Tip: Say — “Custom errors improve debugging & clarity.”

Q29. What are common debugging techniques in JS?

Answer:

- Use console.log to inspect values.
- Use Chrome DevTools breakpoints.
- Debugging with debugger keyword.
- Linting tools (ESLint).

💡 Tip: Always mention DevTools + breakpoints in interviews.

Q30. Difference between throw and return in error handling?

Answer:

- throw immediately stops execution and passes error to nearest catch.
- return just exits function with a value.

Example: throw new Error("Invalid") vs return false.

💡 Tip: Say — “throw = error, return = exit gracefully.”

◆ Section 3: Advanced Concepts

Q31. What is Event Bubbling vs Capturing?

Answer:

- Bubbling → event goes from child → parent (default).
- Capturing → parent → child (set with {capture:true}).

💡 Tip: Use bubbling for most cases, capturing when order matters.

Q32. What are Generators in JavaScript?

Answer: Generators (function*) can pause execution using yield and

resume later. Useful for async workflows.

Example:

```
function* gen(){ yield 1; yield 2; }
```

```
js

function* gen() {
  yield 1;
  yield 2;
  yield 3;
}

const g = gen();
console.log(g.next()); // { value: 1, done: false }
console.log(g.next()); // { value: 2, done: false }
console.log(g.next()); // { value: 3, done: false }
console.log(g.next()); // { value: undefined, done: true }
```

💡 Tip: Mention — “Generators produce values lazily.”

Q33. What is a Symbol in JavaScript?

Answer: Symbol is a unique, immutable primitive used as object keys. Even with same description, symbols are different.

Example:

```
const id = Symbol("id");
```

```
js

const id1 = Symbol("id");
const id2 = Symbol("id");

console.log(id1 === id2); // false (they are unique)

let user = {
  name: "Yash",
  [id1]: 123
};

console.log(user[id1]); // 123
```

💡 Tip: Say — “Symbols prevent property name clashes.”

Q34. What are WeakMap and WeakSet?

Answer: WeakMap = key-value pairs with object keys.

WeakSet = stores only objects. They don't prevent garbage collection.

💡 Tip: Use when you need temporary associations with objects.

Q35. Explain Garbage Collection in JavaScript.

Answer: JS automatically clears memory by removing unused objects (no references left). Done via **mark-and-sweep** algorithm.

💡 Tip: Say — “GC is automatic, but memory leaks still happen.”

◆ Section 4: Performance & Optimization

Q36. What causes memory leaks in JavaScript?

Answer: Memory leaks happen when references prevent garbage collection. Common causes:

- Global variables
- Forgotten timers (setInterval)
- Detached DOM nodes

💡 Tip: Always say — “Leaks = unused memory never freed.”

Q37. How do you optimize large arrays or loops?

Answer: Use efficient methods like map, reduce instead of nested loops. Use pagination or generators for large datasets.

💡 Tip: Mention — “Break big tasks into smaller chunks.”

Q38. What is Lazy Loading in JavaScript?

Answer: Lazy loading means loading content/resources only when needed (like images below the fold).

Example: loading="lazy" for images.

💡 Tip: Say — “Improves performance by reducing initial load time.”

Q39. What is Tree Shaking in modern JS bundlers?

Answer: Tree shaking removes unused code during bundling (works with ES6 modules).

Example: `import { usedFn } from 'lib'` → unused functions are dropped.

💡 Tip: Mention Webpack/Rollup → common interview plus point.

Q40. How do you improve performance in a JS-heavy web app?

Answer:

- Use caching, lazy loading, and code splitting.
- Minimize DOM manipulation.
- Optimize loops and data structures.
- Use CDN for assets.

💡 Tip: Always say — “Profile first, then optimize.”