

# Scoping in javascript

Scope in JavaScript refers to the accessibility and visibility of variables and functions within different parts of your code. It determines where a variable or function can be accessed and used. JavaScript utilizes lexical scoping, meaning that the scope of a variable is determined by its position within the source code at the time it's written, rather than at runtime.

There are several types of scope in JavaScript:

- **Global Scope:**

- Variables declared outside of any function or block are in the global scope.
- They are accessible from anywhere in the JavaScript code, including within functions and blocks.

- **Function Scope (Local Scope):**

- Variables declared with `var` inside a function are function-scoped.
- They are only accessible within that specific function and any nested functions.
- They are not accessible from outside the function.

- **Block Scope:**

- Introduced with `let` and `const` in ES6 (ECMAScript 2015).
- Variables declared with `let` or `const` inside a block (e.g., `if` statements, `for` loops, or any curly braces `{ }`) are block-scoped.
- They are only accessible within that specific block.

- **Lexical Scope:**

- This describes how nested functions have access to variables declared in their outer (parent) scopes.
- A function "remembers" the environment in which it was created, allowing it to access variables from its enclosing scopes even after the outer function has finished executing (leading to closures).

Understanding scope is crucial for writing organized, maintainable, and bug-free JavaScript code, as it helps prevent unintended variable overwrites and ensures data privacy within specific parts of your program.