

1. WHY DO WE NEED DATA TYPES?

Definition:

Data types define what kind of value a variable can hold — for example, text, number, boolean, object, etc.

Why needed:

JavaScript needs to know how to store and operate on your data.

Without data types, it wouldn't know if `10 + 5` means adding numbers or joining strings.

2. DATA TYPES IN JAVASCRIPT

- ♦ Two main categories:
 - Primitive Data Types – simple, immutable values
 - Non-Primitive (Reference) Data Types – complex structures like objects, arrays, functions

PRIMITIVE DATA TYPES (7 TOTAL)

Type	Example	Description
Number	<code>let age = 25;</code>	Represents integers and floating-point numbers
String	<code>let name = "John";</code>	Represents text (sequence of characters)
Boolean	<code>let isOnline = true;</code>	Logical true or false
Undefined	<code>let city;</code>	Variable declared but not assigned a value
Null	<code>let car = null;</code>	Represents intentional empty value
Symbol	<code>let id = Symbol("id");</code>	Unique and immutable identifier
BigInt	<code>let big = 123456789012345678901234567890n;</code>	Large integers beyond Number limit

NON-PRIMITIVE DATA TYPES

Type	Example	Description
Object	<code>let person = { name: "Alice", age: 25 };</code>	Collection of key-value pairs
Array	<code>let colors = ["red", "green", "blue"];</code>	Ordered list of values
Function	<code>function greet() { console.log("Hi!"); };</code>	Reusable block of code

EXAMPLES OF DATA TYPES

```
let age = 25; // Number
let price = 99.99; // Number
let name = "John Doe"; // String
let isStudent = true; // Boolean
let phone; // Undefined
let car = null; // Null
let id = Symbol('userID'); // Symbol
let bigNum = 12345678901234567890n; // BigInt
let user = { name: "Alice", age: 22 }; // Object
let numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4]; // Array
function sayHello() { console.log("Hello JS!"); } // Function
```

3. VARIABLES IN JAVASCRIPT

Definition:

A variable is like a container that stores a value in memory.

Syntax:

```
let variableName = value;
```

TYPES OF VARIABLE DECLARATIONS

Keyword	Scope	Reassignable	Redeclarable	Example
var	Function-scoped	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	<code>var x = 10;</code>
let	Block-scoped	✓ Yes	✗ No	<code>let y = 20;</code>

Keyword	Scope	Reassignable	Redeclarable	Example
const	Block-scoped	✗ No	✗ No	const z = 30;

EXAMPLE OF VARIABLES

```
var name = "John"; // function-scoped
let age = 25; // block-scoped
const country = "USA"; // cannot change
```

```
age = 30; // ✓ allowed
// country = "UK"; // ✗ error: const cannot be reassigned
```

✓ Use let when you know value might change.

✓ Use const for fixed values.

⊘ Avoid var (older JS) — use let or const.

4. OPERATORS IN JAVASCRIPT

Operators perform actions on variables and values.

ARITHMETIC OPERATORS

Operator	Description	Example	Result
+	Addition	5 + 2	7
-	Subtraction	5 - 2	3
*	Multiplication	5 * 2	10
/	Division	10 / 2	5
%	Modulus (remainder)	10 % 3	1
**	Exponentiation	2 ** 3	8
++	Increment	let x=1; x++	2
--	Decrement	let y=2; y--	1

COMPARISON OPERATORS

Operator	Description	Example	Result
==	Equal to (value only)	5 == "5"	true
===	Strict equal (value + type)	5 === "5"	false
!=	Not equal (value only)	5 != 6	true
!==	Strict not equal	5 !== "5"	true
>	Greater than	10 > 5	true
<	Less than	5 < 10	true
>=	Greater or equal	10 >= 10	true
<=	Less or equal	8 <= 10	true

LOGICAL OPERATORS

Operator	Description	Example	Result
&&	Logical AND	true && false	false
	Logical OR	true false	true
!	Logical NOT	!true	false

ASSIGNMENT OPERATORS

Operator	Example	Meaning
=	x = 10	Assigns value
+=	x += 5	Adds and assigns
-=	x -= 5	Subtracts and assigns
*=	x *= 2	Multiplies and assigns

Operator	Example	Meaning
/=	x /= 2	Divides and assigns
%=	x %= 2	Remainder and assigns

TYPE OPERATORS

Operator	Description	Example	Result
typeof	Returns data type	typeof "hello"	"string"
instanceof	Checks instance of object	arr instanceof Array	true

5. TYPE CONVERSION IN JAVASCRIPT

Converting values between data types is called Type Conversion.

◆ Implicit Conversion (Type Coercion)

JavaScript automatically converts types.

```
console.log("5" + 2); // "52" (string + number → string)
```

```
console.log("5" - 2); // 3 (string - number → number)
```

```
console.log(true + 1); // 2 (true → 1)
```

◆ Explicit Conversion

You convert manually.

➤ String Conversion

```
let num = 123;
```

```
console.log(String(num)); // "123"
```

➤ Number Conversion

```
let str = "123";
```

```
console.log(Number(str)); // 123
```

➤ Boolean Conversion

```
console.log(Boolean(0)); // false
```

```
console.log(Boolean("hi")); // true
```

6. BONUS: TYPEOF OPERATOR EXAMPLES

```
typeof 123; // "number"
typeof "Hello"; // "string"
typeof true; // "boolean"
typeof undefined; // "undefined"
typeof null; // "object" <-- known JS quirk
typeof {}; // "object"
typeof []; // "object"
typeof function(){}; // "function"
typeof 123n; // "bigint"
```

7. PRACTICE EXAMPLES (10+)

```
let x = 5;
let y = "10";
```

```
console.log(x + y); // "510" (string)
console.log(Number(y) + x); // 15 (number)
console.log(typeof x); // "number"
console.log(typeof y); // "string"
```

```
let isAdult = x > 3 && y == 10; // true
console.log(isAdult);
```

```
let name = "Alice";
console.log(`Hello ${name}, your age is ${x}`);
```

```
let count = 0;
count++; // increment
console.log(count); // 1
count--;
console.log(count); // 0
```

```
let result = null;
console.log(Boolean(result)); // false
```

```
let total = 10;
total += 5; // 15
console.log(total);
```