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Conditions and loops in JavaScript

AGENDA

Today we will do

- Short Recap
- **>** Conditions
- > Loops

How do you define a variable?

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- > a keyword let, var or const
- > a name for the variable (remember the list of forbidden words)
- > a value for the variable (optional)

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- > var variables can be re-declared and updated. Scope is global or function.
- > let variables can be updated, but not re-declared within the same scope. Scope is block. New in ES6.
- > const variables maintain constant values. Their scope is block. Their values cannot be updated. They cannot be redeclared. New in ES6.

Which names for JS variables are acceptable?

- > total%sum
- > 1number
- firstNumber
- > _sum

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- > console.log()
- > window.alert()
- > document.write()

CAN YOU TELL ME THE DATA TYPES PER LINE?

- > 42
- > "my text is great"
- > false

Exercise: Age calculator

Want to find out how old you'll be? Calculate it!

- > Store your birth year in a variable.
- > Store a future year in a variable.
- Calculate your 2 possible ages for that year based on the stored values.
 - For example, if you were born in 1988, then in 2026 you'll be either 37 or 38, depending on what month it is in 2026.
- Output them to the screen/console like so: "I will be either NN or NN in YYYY", substituting the values.

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```
let birthYear = 1981;
let futureYear = 2067;
let ageBeforeBirthday = futureYear - birthYear;
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I will be either **85** or **86** in **2067**.

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If Susanne is sitting in front of her laptop she will go to the next slide now.

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Only if the statement is true doSomething will be executed.

Age calculator 2.0

Let's see conditions in action by optimizing our age calculator

BOOLEAN LOGIC

Booleans are used by JavaScript to check if a statement is true.

Logical oeprators allow you to connect as many expressions as you wish.

Operator	Description	Example
&&	logical AND	true && true = true
	logical OR	true false = true
!	logical NOT	!false = true

LOGICAL OPERATORS

True and **False** are often represented by 1 and 0.

A	В	A && B	A B	! A
0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0
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Comparison Operators

Are used in logical statements to determine equility or difference between variables or values. They return **true** or **false**.

Operator	Description	let x=5;	Result
==	equal to	x == '5'	True
===	equal value and equal type	x === '5'	False
!=	not equal	x != 3	True
>	greater than	x > 4	True
<	less than	x < 4	False
>=	greater than or equal to	x>=5	True
<= © 2021 Powercoders	less than or equal to	x<=4	False

if else

The else statement tells JavaScript to execute something if the condition is **false**.

```
if(statement) {
  doSomething();
} else {
  doSomethingElse();
}
```

If the condition is false doSomethingElse will be executed.

TERNARY CONDITION

```
condition ? expr1 : expr2
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If the condition is true, provide expr1 else provide expr2.

It is like shorthand for an if else statement.

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if else if

The else if statement specifies a new condition if the first condition is false.

```
if(a > b) {
   alert("a is greater than b");
} else if(a < b) {
   alert("b is greater than a");
} else {
   alert("a is the same as b");
}</pre>
```

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- > default gets executed if no case matches. Always have it.
- > break will stop the execution of more code inside the switch

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- > Boolean values: if else if is better for conditions resulting in true or false

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If a condition is always **true**, the loop will run **forever**. Make sure that the condition eventually becomes **false**.

for

The for loop is most commonly used. It has 3 statements, separated by **semi-colons**:

- > initialization: declare a new variable used for counting the loops, e.g. x=0
- condition: as long as the condition is true the loop will run, e.g.
 x<=5</p>
- > iterator: is executed after every iteration of the loop, e.g. x++

```
for(initialization; condition; iterator) {
   //codeblock this gets looped until the condition is false
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forEach

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But wait, if you need to return a value and break the loop doing it, forEach is no help.

do while

The do while loop is rarely used. The loop will always be executed at least once, even if the condition is false.

```
do {
  //code block here
} while(statment);
```

CONTROLLING LOOP EXECUTIONS

The break statement jumps out of a loop and continues executing the code **after** the loop.

The return keyword will also break the loop as it immediately returns some value from a loop inside a function.

The continue statement breaks **only one iteration** in the loop and continues with the **next** iteration.

DEBUGGING

To detect and remove exisiting and potential errors (aka bugs) in your code.

It is a very important step in the developer's work. There is no program or application without any bug.

```
console.log("Is often used for debugging");
debugger; // stops the execution of JavaScript, like setting a breakpoint
```

RECOMMEND TUTORIALS ON DEBUGGING

- > Use VS Code: How to set up debugging
- > Use console.log : Boost your debugging skills
- Use dev tools: Tutorial on YouTube
- > Chrome Dev Tools: JavaScript Debugging Reference

Exercises

TRANSLATE DAYS OF THE WEEK

- > For each single day of the week log the translated output
- > e.g. if it is Monday, log "Montag" and so on
- Choose any language you like
- > Try different ways: is it possible with if or switch?

ODD / EVEN REPORTER

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Odd / even reporter 2.0

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Let's try all different types of loop

Multiplication tables

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- > Multiply the given number by 9.
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Work on your project