

# Objects and Constructors

JavaScript's equivalent to classes

oof in js is weird

# Python: Make a class

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        print 'Hello %s, I am %s!' % (other_person.name, self.name)
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method definition

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the prototype of  
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# Side by Side

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the new operator

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object being constructed

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# Object Literals vs Constructor- based objects



# Object Literals

```
var contact = {  
  firstName: 'Janice',  
  lastName: 'LaGrange',  
  email: 'janicel@yahoo.com',  
  phone: '485-2394-4934'  
};
```

```
console.log('First name: ' + contact.firstName);  
console.log('Last name: ' + contact.lastName);  
console.log('Email: ' + contact.email);  
console.log('Phone: ' + contact.phone);
```

# Constructor-based

```
function Contact(firstName, lastName, email, phone) {  
    this.firstName = firstName;  
    this.lastName = lastName;  
    this.email = email;  
    this.phone = phone;  
}  
  
var contact = new Contact(  
    'Janice', 'LaGrange', 'janice1@yahoo.com', '485-2394-4934');  
  
console.log('First name: ' + contact.firstName);  
console.log('Last name: ' + contact.lastName);  
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