

JavaScript Tips & Tricks

Closures

Master the art of closures to write more elegant, scalable, and maintainable JavaScript code.





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What are closures?

A closure is a function that has access to the variables in the scope in which it was created, even after that scope has closed. This means that a closure can access variables that are no longer available to other functions

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Benefits of using closures

- Closures can help you to create private variables and functions.
- Closures can help you to create functions that are more reusable and flexible.
- Closures can help you to write more efficient and performant code.



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How to use closures

To use a closure, simply create a function inside of another function. The inner function will then have access to the variables in the outer function's scope, even after the outer function has returned.

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Demo code

```
function counter() {  
  let count = 0;  
  
  function increment() {  
    count++;  
    return count;  
  }  
  
  return increment;  
}  
  
const incrementCounter = counter();  
  
console.log(incrementCounter()); // 1  
console.log(incrementCounter()); // 2  
console.log(incrementCounter()); // 3
```




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Conclusion

Closures are the secret sauce to writing elegant, flexible, and performant JavaScript code. They allow you to create private variables and functions, reusable functions, and efficient code.

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Quiz Time!

What is the output of the last line of code? Write your answer in the comments

```
function outer() {  
  var x = 1;  
  
  function inner() {  
    x++;  
    return x;  
  }  
  
  return inner;  
}  
  
var closure = outer();  
  
console.log(closure());  
console.log(closure());  
  
console.log(x);
```