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Types of JavaScript Errors

Errors in JavaScript are mainly of three types:

1 Syntax Error | 2 Reference Error | 3 Type Error

1 Syntax Errors

These occur when the code structure is invalid, and the program won't even start executing.

- 1.1 ♦ Uncaught SyntaxError: Identifier 'a' has already been declared
 - This happens when you **redeclare a variable** that's already been declared with let.
 - ! No execution will happen beyond this point.

```
let a = 5;
let a = 10; // ★ SyntaxError
```

1.2 Uncaught SyntaxError: Missing initializer in const declaration

- This means you declared a const variable without assigning it a value.
- const must be initialized at the time of declaration.

```
const b; // 🗶 SyntaxError
```

2 Reference Errors

These occur when trying to access variables that aren't properly declared or are in the Temporal Dead Zone.

- 2.1 ? Uncaught ReferenceError: x is not defined
 - You tried to use a variable that was never declared anywhere in your program.

```
console.log(x); // X ReferenceError
```

2.2 ⚠ Uncaught ReferenceError: Cannot access 'a' before initialization

- You tried to access a let or const variable before it was initialized.
- This happens because of the **Temporal Dead Zone (TDZ)** the phase between hoisting and initialization.

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```
console.log(a); // X ReferenceError
let a = 5;
```

3 Type Errors

These happen when a value is not of the expected type.

- 3.1 ① Uncaught TypeError: Assignment to constant variable
 - You **tried to reassign a value to a const variable**, which is not allowed.

```
const c = 10;
c = 20; // X TypeError
```

Good Practices to Avoid Such Errors

- ✓ Prefer const whenever possible.
- ✓ Use let only when reassignment is needed.
- Avoid using var (it can lead to weird bugs due to hoisting issues).
- Declare and initialize variables at the top of their scope to **minimize the Temporal Dead Zone**.