

Introduction to JavaScript

Class 3



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3.1 Loops



Loops offer a quick and easy way to do something repeatedly.

while Loops

while will repeat the same code over and over until some condition is met.

```
var bottlesOfBeer = 50;
while (bottlesOfBeer > 0) {
  console.log(bottlesOfBeer + ' bottles of beer on the wall');
  bottlesOfBeer = bottlesOfBeer - 1;
}
```

for Loops

for loops are very similar, but you declare a counter in the statement.

```
// will count 1 to 10
for (var i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {
  console.log(i);
}</pre>
```

Loops and logic

You can add other statements or logical operators inside the loops.

```
Count from 1 to 100
for (var i = 1; i \le 100; i++) {
 if (i % 3 === 0) {
    // Says 'Fizz' after multiples of three
    console.log(' Fizz');
  } else if (i % 5 === 0) {
    // Says 'Buzz' after multiples of five
    console.log(' Buzz');
  } else {
    console.log(i);
```



Infinite Loops

Break

▶ To exit a loop, use the **break** statement.

```
for (let current = 20; ; current = current + 1) {
    if (current % 7 == 0) {
        console.log(current);
        break;
    }
}
// - 21
```

Let's Develop It

- Write a loop that gives you the 9's times table, from $9 \times 1 = 9$ to $9 \times 12 = 108$.
- Finish early? Try using a loop inside a loop to write all the times tables, from 1 to 12.

3.2 Arrays



Arrays in JavaScript are dynamic

Arrays

Arrays are ordered lists of values.

```
var arrayName = [value0, value1];
```

You can put different types of data into an array.

```
var rainbowColors = ['Red', 'Orange', 'Yellow',
    'Green',
    'Blue', 'Indigo', 'Violet'];
var lotteryNumbers = [33, 72, 64, 18, 17, 85];
var myFavoriteThings = ['Broccoli', 1024, 'Sherlock'];
```



Array Length

The **length** property tells you how many things are in an array.

```
var rainbowColors = ['Red', 'Orange', 'Yellow',
'Green',
'Blue', 'Indigo', 'Violet'];
console.log(rainbowColors.length);
```

Using Arrays

You can access items with bracket
 notation by using the position of the item
 you want.

```
var rainbowColors = ['Red', 'Orange', 'Yellow',
'Green',
'Blue', 'Indigo', 'Violet'];

var firstColor = rainbowColors[0];
var lastColor = rainbowColors[6];
```

JS arrays are **zero-indexed**, so counting starts at 0.

Changing arrays

You can use bracket notation to change an item in an array.

```
var myFavoriteThings = [Cats, 6, Coding];
myFavoriteThings[0] = Kittens;
```

Expanding arrays

Arrays do not have a fixed length. You can use **push** to add something to an array.

```
var myFavoriteThings = [Cats, 6, Coding];
myFavoriteThings.push('Javascript');
```

Let's Develop It

- Create an array of your favorite foods.
- Print a few values onto your screen.



Arrays + loops = BFF

Iterating through arrays

Use a **for** loop to easily work with each item in an array.

```
var rainbowColors = ['Red', 'Orange', 'Yellow', 'Green',
    'Blue', 'Indigo', 'Violet'];

for (var i = 0; i < rainbowColors.length; i++) {
    console.log(rainbowColors[i]);
}</pre>
```

Let's Develop It

> Use a **for** loop to print a list of all your favorite foods.

3.3

Objects



JavaScript is designed on a simple **object-based paradigm.**



Objects

Objects let us store a collection of properties.

```
var objectName = {
  propertyName: propertyValue,
  propertyName: propertyValue
};
```

```
var user = {
  hometown: 'Atlanta, GA',
  hair: 'Auburn',
  likes: ['knitting', 'code'],
  birthday: {month: 10, day: 17}
};
```

Accessing Objects

You can retrieve values using dot notation.

```
var user = {
  hometown: 'Atlanta, GA',
  hair: 'Auburn'
};

var usersHometown = user.hometown;
```

Or using <u>bracket notation</u> (like arrays)

```
var usersHair = user['hair'];
```

Changing Objects

You can use dot or bracket notation to change properties.

```
var user = {
  hometown: 'Atlanta, GA',
  hair: 'Auburn'
};
user.hair = 'blue';
```

Add new properties

```
user.married = true;
```

Or delete them

```
delete user.married;
```

Arrays of Objects

Because arrays can hold any data type, they can also hold objects.

```
var users = [
    {name: 'Jolene', age: 21},
    {name: 'Alexa', age: 18}
];

for (var i = 0; i < users.length; i++) {
    var user = users[i];
    console.log(user.name + ' is ' + user.age + ' years
old.');
}</pre>
```

Objects

Just like other data types, objects can be passed into functions:

```
var jolene = {
 age: 21,
 hairColor: 'Auburn',
 likes: ['pizza', 'tacos'],
 birthday: {month: 3, day: 14, year: 1995}
function describeUser(user) {
 console.log('You are ' + user.age + ' years old with '
 + user.hairColor + ' hair.');
describeUser(jolene);
```



Let's Develop It

Create an object to hold information on your favorite recipe. It should have properties for:

```
recipeTitle (a string)
servings (a number)
ingredients (an array of strings)
directions (a string)
```

- Try displaying some information about your recipe.
- **Bonus**: Create a loop to list all the directions.

Object methods

Objects can also hold functions.

```
var jolene = {
  age: 21,
  hairColor: 'Auburn',
  talk: function() {
    console.log('Hello!');
  },
  eat: function(food) {
    console.log('Yum, I love ' + food);
  }
};
```

Call object methods using dot notation:

```
jolene.talk();
jolene.eat('pizza');
```

Let's Develop It

- Go back to your recipe object. Add a function called **letsCook** that says "I'm hungry! Let's cook..." with the name of your recipe title.
- Call your new method.

Resources

- <u>JavaScript Guide</u>, from the Mozilla Developers Network.
- Code Academy, with interactive JavaScript lessons to help you review.

YOU DID IT! Any questions?

