

VARIABLES

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AFTER THIS PRESENTATION

- You'll understand different data types in JavaScript

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var

typeof

DATA TYPES

- Number
- String
- Boolean
- Other e.g. Object

NUMBER

- JavaScript has only one type of number
- Can be written with or without a decimal place

```
var number1 = 34.289;  
var number2 = 100;
```

- Can use scientific notation

```
var big_number = 123e5;      //12300000  
var small_number = 123e-5;   //0.00123
```

STRING

- A *string* simply means text
- You can use single or double quotes

```
var name = "David";  
var title = 'Professor';
```

- You can use quotes inside a string, as long as they don't match the quotes surrounding the string

```
var message = "It's alright";
```

BOOLEAN

- A Boolean value can only be true or false

```
var condition1 = true;  
var condition2 = false;
```

- Do not confuse Boolean values with String values

```
var myBool = true;           //Boolean type  
var myString = "true";      //String type
```

A VARIABLE TYPE CAN CHANGE

- If you do this

```
var storage = "David";
```

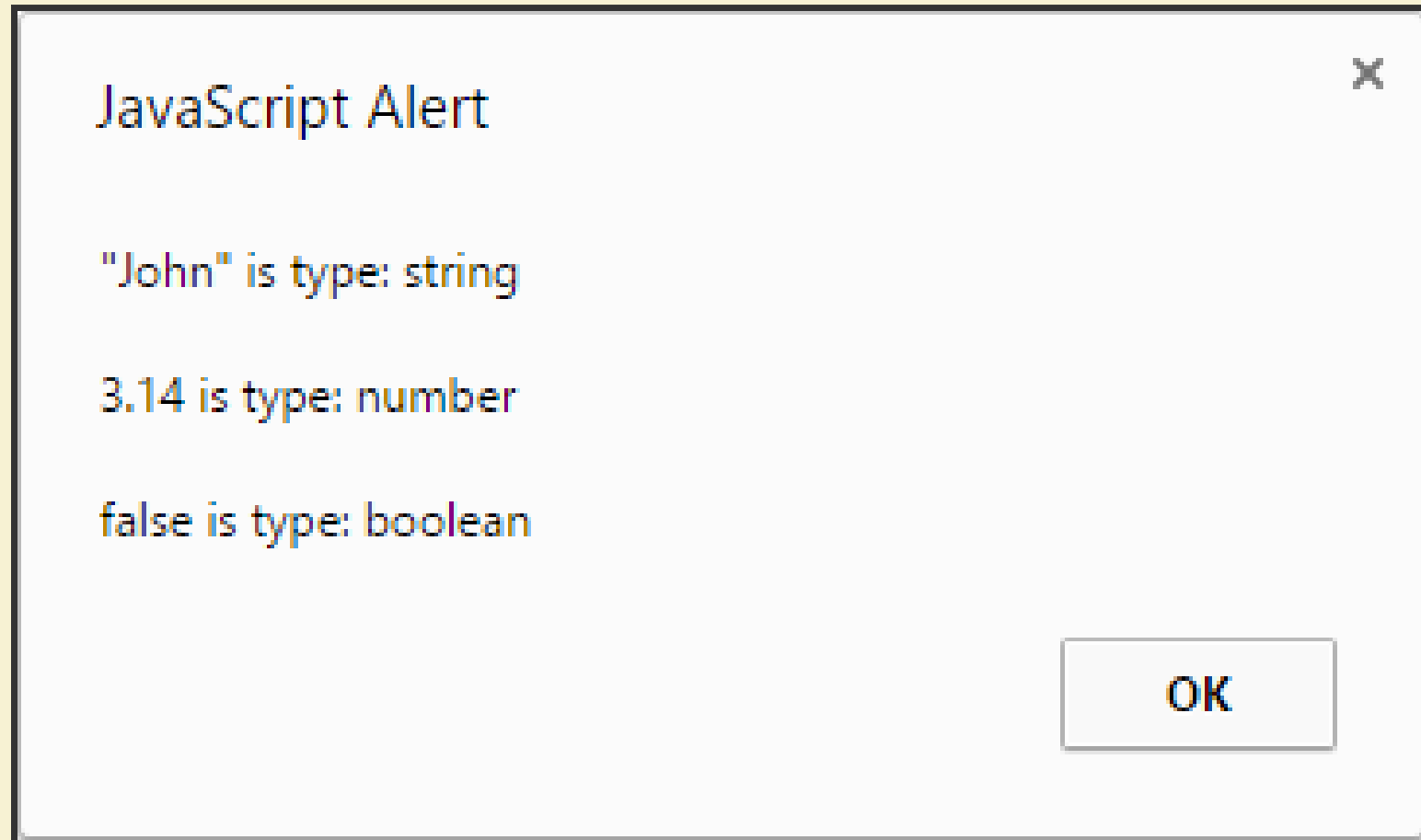
- And then this:

```
storage = 98;
```

- The type of the variable is immediately changed

USING TYPEOF

- You can use the typeof operator to check the type of a variable



```
<!doctype html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Variable Type Example</title>
</head>
<body>
  <script>
    alert( '"John" is type: ' + typeof "John" + "\n\n"
          + "3.14 is type: " + typeof 3.14 + "\n\n"
          + "false is type: " + typeof false ) ;
  </script>
</body>
</html>
```

COMMON CHANGES

| Code | Quicker Typing |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <code>count = count + 1</code> | <code>count++</code> |
| <code>count = count - 1</code> | <code>count--</code> |
| <code>count = count + 10</code> | <code>count += 10</code> |
| <code>hello = hello + "!"</code> | <code>hello += "!"</code> |
| <code>marks = marks - 20</code> | <code>marks -= 20</code> |
| <code>pigs = pigs * 5</code> | <code>pigs *= 5</code> |
| <code>cakes = cakes / students</code> | <code>cakes /= students</code> |

FROM ONE TYPE TO ANOTHER

| Function | Meaning |
|---------------------------|---|
| <code>parseInt()</code> | Converts to an integer |
| <code>parseFloat()</code> | Converts to a floating point number |
| <code>String()</code> | Converts the value of an object to a string |

INTRODUCTION TO EVENTS AND FUNCTIONS

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- You'll appreciate the concept of events
- You'll understand how to use functions

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| Events | onload |
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| Functions | function |
|-----------|----------|

return

EVENTS

- An event is when something happens
- For example:
 - Click on something
 - Move the mouse
 - Press a key on the keyboard
- You can arrange for some code that you write to be executed when the event occurs

ONLOAD EVENT

- *onload* is triggered when the object has loaded

```
<body onload="alert('Hello!')">
```

... the main web page content goes here ...

```
</body>
```

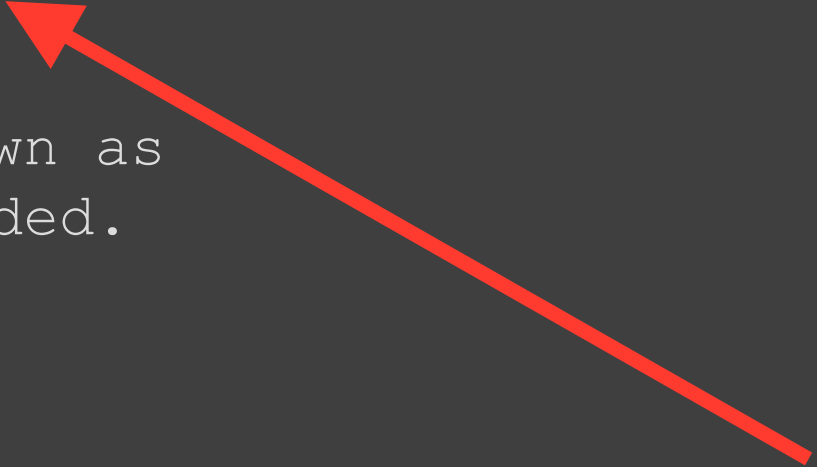
when body finishes loading code, it will show

EXAMPLE

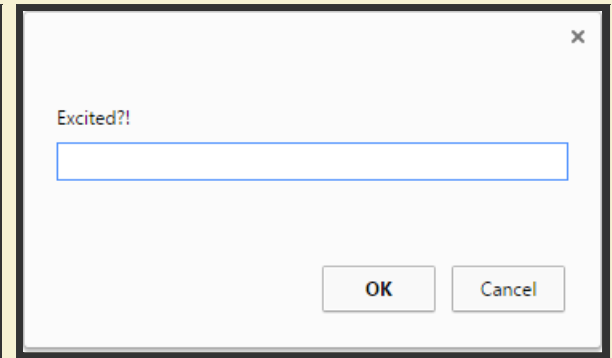
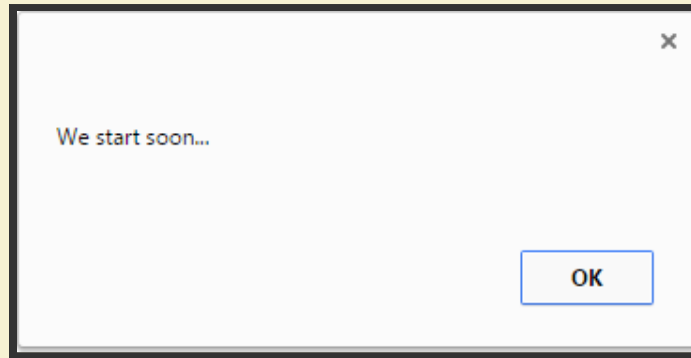
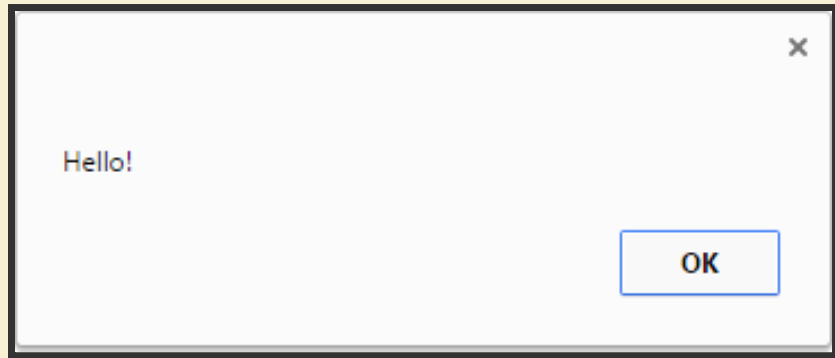
```
<!doctype html>
<html>
  <body onload="alert('Hello!')">
    <p>
      A message is shown as soon
      as the page is loaded.
    </p>
  </body>
</html>
```

You can execute as much code as you like

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
  <body onload="alert('Hello!');
    alert('We start soon...');
    prompt('Excited?!') ">
    <p>
      3 popup windows are shown as
      soon as the page is loaded.
    </p>
  </body>
</html>
```



通常不这么做，而是将多个语句放在function里



FUNCTIONS

- A function is a group of code:

```
function do_something() {
```

... code goes here ...

```
}
```

- Run the function like this:

```
do_something();
```

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Example of a function</title>
    <script>
      function greet_the_user() {
        alert('Hello!');
        alert('We start soon...');
        prompt('Excited?!')
      }
    </script>
  </head>
  <body onload="greet_the_user()">
  </body>
</html>
```

function可以放在head里定义

用event调用

FUNCTION PARAMETERS

You can pass something to a function

```
function purchase( cats ) {
```

... code here uses cats ...

```
}
```

- Run the function like this:

```
purchase( 10 );
```


FUNCTION RESPONSE

You can get a response from a function

```
function do_something() {
```

... code here stores something in answer ...

```
    return answer; }
```

- Use the function like this:

```
result = do_something();
```

```
<!doctype html>
<html><body onload="check_user_age()" style="position:absolute">
  <h1>This is my naughty home page.</h1>
  <script>
    function check_user_age() {
      if (age_of_user() < 18)
        alert("Please go to another page.");
    }
    function age_of_user() {
      var age_text, age;
      age_text=prompt("What is your age?");
      age=parseInt(age_text);
      return age;
    }
  </script></body></html>
```

在一个函数里调用
另一个函数

A RECURSIVE FUNCTION

A function can call itself

递归

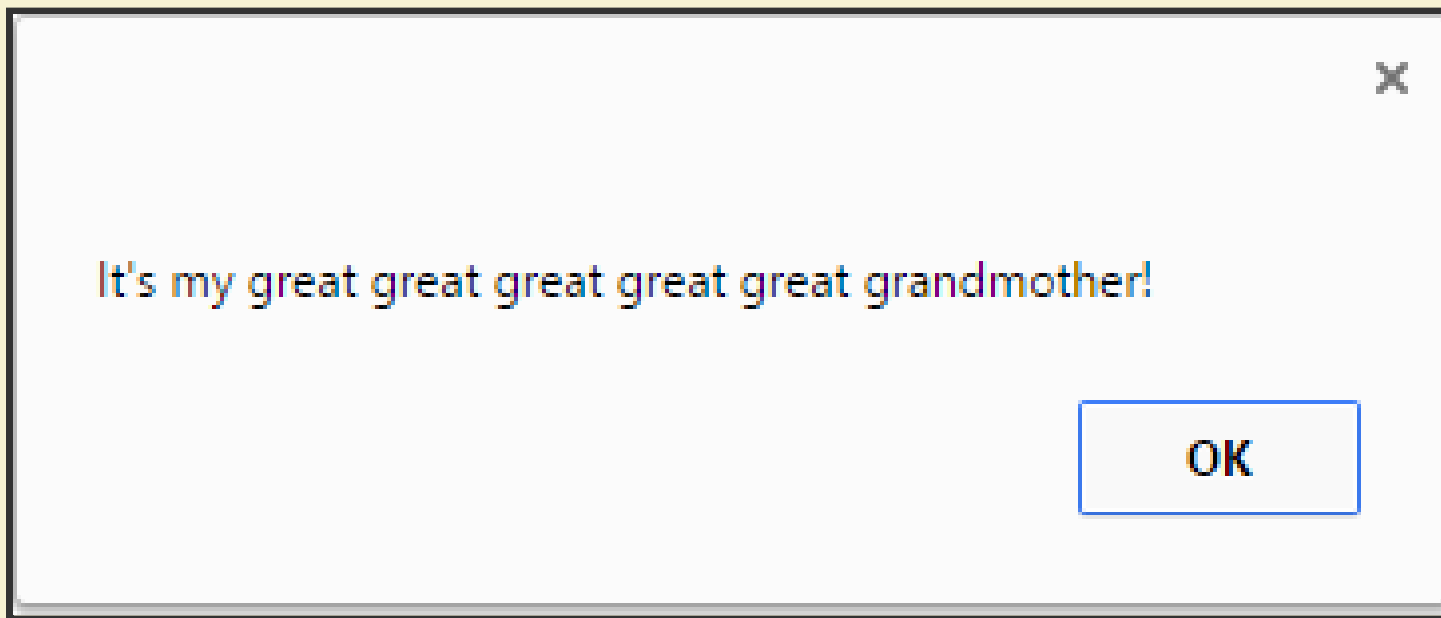
```
function do_something( control_value ) {  
  
    ...code here calls do_something(...)  
  
}
```

- Start the function like this:

```
result = do_something( 10 );
```

```
<!doctype html>
<html><body>
  <script>
    alert("It's my " + build_great(5) +
          "grandmother!");

    function build_great( depth ) {
      if (depth > 0)
        return "great " + build_great( depth - 1 );
      else
        return "";
    }
  </script>
</body></html>
```



用`console.log(...)` 代替`alert(...)`，
使得打印只在console发生，用看不到