

NULL Safety-

- Never type- prevents expression from finishing evaluation, causes exception to be thrown (at the bottom of type tree)
- Objects of any type are of type object?
- Invalid returns (when function of non void doesn't have return value)
 - o In null safety, results in compiler error (non null safety would return null)
 - o Checks that every possible path in a function returns a valid value (flow analysis)
- Uninitialized variables (before null safety uninitialized variables would be set to null)
 - o Top level variables and static fields must be initialized with a value of the correct type
 - o Non-nullable local variables don't need to be initialized
- Control flow analysis
 - o Can cast variable as non-nullable through: var!
 - o Late variables- don't need to be initialized right away, initialized at first time of use
- This tutorial will always have null safety turned on

Dart Variables-

- Keywords- Don't use as identifiers
- 4 types- (based on where you declare them)
 - o Top-level – not linked to any class or object, can be accessed anywhere in programs
 - o Static, instance – tied to objects and variables
 - o Local- can only be accessed in scope of particular function etc.
- How to declare a variable:

Table on variable declaration and nullability optionality provided

Nullable initialization				
NO LATE	Top Level	Static	Instance	Local
At declaration	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Before constructor body	---	---	Optional	---
After declaration, but before use	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
LATE				
At declaration	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Before constructor body	---	---	Optional	---
After declaration, but before use	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Non-nullable initialization				
NO LATE	Top Level	Static	Instance	Local
At declaration	Required	Required	Optional	Optional
Before constructor body	---	---	Required	---
After declaration, but before use	ERROR	ERROR	ERROR	Optional
LATE				
At declaration	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Before constructor body	---	---	Optional	---
After declaration, but before use	Required	Required	Required	Required