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Block scope & shadowing in JS

Block is defined by `{...}`. Everything written inside these bracket comes in a block.

It is a compound statement which starts with '`{`' and end with '`}`'. It is used to -
group multiple items in a single unit.

These group of statement can be use where JS expects a single statement.

→ Each block acts separate block scope / execution context where variable / function defined inside a block will be hoisted. outside of this block ~~will be~~ no element will be accessible which is declaration inside this block.

→ let and const are block scoped because they have separate block in which they are hoisted.

```
var a = 10;
{
  var b = 11;
  console.log(a);
  console.log(b);
}
```

```
console.log(a);
console.log(b);
```

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Reference Error: b is defined in this scope.

Shadowing

```
var a = 100;  
let b = 100;
```

```
{ var a = 10;  
  let b = 20;
```

```
  const c = 30;
```

```
  console.log(a);
```

```
    " (b);
```

```
    (c);
```

```
}
```

```
console.log(a);
```

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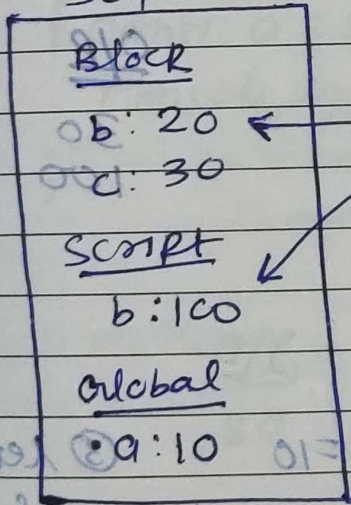
* If there exists a same named variable outside the block then this variable

shadows the value of

outside variable.

As a is changed to 10 because they were referring to same memory location.

Scope



Both b indicate different memory location.

- Similar thing happens with const also.

```
let a = 100;
```

```
{ var a = 10;
```

```
  let b = 20;
```

```
  const c = 30;
```

```
  console.log(a);
```

```
  console.log(b);
```

```
  console.log(c);
```

```
}
```

```
console.log(a);
```

both associated to global scope

point same memory location.

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Scope

→ Block

b: undefined

c: undefined

→ Global

a: 10

→ when code is executed upto

③ ↓

value of global will be modified to 10. When block is executed then again value of a will not change to 100.

— line ⑤ & ⑩ both are referring to same memory location.

Function shadowing: also work in similar fashion

```
const c = 100;
```

```
function x() {
```

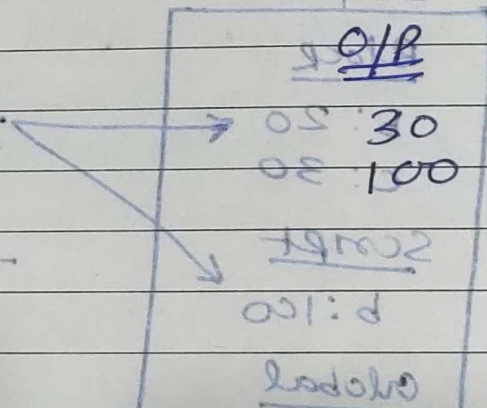
```
  const c = 30;
```

```
  console.log(c);
```

```
}
```

```
x();
```

```
console.log(c);
```



* ① let a = 10

```
{ let a = 100;
```

```
}
```

② var a = 10

```
{ var a = 100;
```

```
}
```

③ let a = 10

```
{ var a = 100;
```

```
}
```

④ var a = 10

```
{ let a = 100;
```

```
}
```

①, ②, ④ → Shadowing (works fine)

③ → Shadowing is not possible - Illegal shadowing


```
let a = 10;
function x() {
  var a = 100;
}
```

✓ [Not illegal shadowing]

→ Similar Behaviour with const variable also

Block scope also follows lexical scope.



follows scope chain pattern.

```
* const a = 20;
{
  const a = 100;
  {
    const a = 200;
    console.log(a); ← debugged
  }
}
```

Scope
Block
a: 200
Block
a: 100
Script
a: 20

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```
* const a = 20;
{
  const a = 100;
  {
    console.log(a);
  }
}
```

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→ All scope concept work exactly in same fashion for arrow function also.