

Language Map for JavaScript

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| Variable Declaration <i>Is this language strongly typed or dynamically typed? Provide at least three examples (with different data types or keywords) of how variables are declared in this language.</i> | JavaScript is dynamically typed. The types of declared variables are determined at runtime. <pre>let count = 0; const active_status = false; var name = 'John';</pre> |
| Data Types <i>List all of the data types (and ranges) supported by this language.</i> | String – character sequence Boolean (true/false) Object – key/value pairs in brackets {} Array (not a fixed size) – [] Null – No value (intentional) Undefined – Undefined / uninitialized value (unintentional) BigInt – Very large integers Number – Integers and floating-point values Symbol – Individual unique identifiers for object properties (immutable) |
| Selection Structures <i>Provide examples of all selection structures supported by this language (if, if else, etc.) Don't just list them, show code samples of how each would look in a real program.</i> | if-else: <pre>if (condition){ code } else / else-if (condition) { code }</pre> ternary operator: condition is truthy ? do this : else do this switch statement: <pre>let count = 1; switch (count){ case 1: code; break; case 2: code; break; default: code; }</pre> |

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| <p>Repetition Structures <i>Provide examples of all repetition structures supported by this language (loops, etc.) Don't just list them, show code samples of how each would look in a real program.</i></p> | <p>for loop: <pre>for (let i = 0; i < 10; i++) { console.log(i); }</pre></p> <p>while loop: <pre>let i = 0; while (i < 10) { console.log(i); i++; }</pre></p> <p>do-while loop: <pre>let i = 0; do { console.log(i); i++; } while (i < 15);</pre></p> <p>for-of loop (arrays): <pre>for (let item of list){ do something; }</pre></p> <p>for-in loop (loop object properties (keys)): <pre>for (let key in object){ do something with object[key]; }</pre></p> |
| <p>Arrays <i>If this language supports arrays, provide at least two examples of creating an array with a primitive or String data types (e.g. float, int, String, etc.)</i></p> | <pre>let nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]; let names = ['John', 'Anna', 'Rose'];</pre> |
| <p>Data Structures <i>If this language provides a standard set of data structures, provide a list of the data structures and their Big-Oh complexity.</i></p> | <p>Arrays: Indexed lists that can hold multiple values of any type (access: O(1), insertion/removal at end: O(1), at beginning: O(n) due to shifting of values). Objects: Key-value pairs used for storing data with unique keys that must always be strings (access and insertion: O(1) due to hashing). Set: A collection of unique values (O(1) for insertion and access).</p> |

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| | Map: A collection of key-value pairs where keys can be any type (O(1) for insertion and access). |
| Objects <i>If this language support object-orientation, provide an example of how you would write a simple object with a default constructor and then how you would instantiate it.</i> | <pre>class Animal { constructor (species, age) { this.species = species; this.age = age; } } const dog1 = new Animal(Dog, 4); console.log(dog1.age); // 4</pre> |
| Runtime Environment <i>What runtime environment does this language compile to? For example, Java compiles to the Java Virtual Machine. Do other languages also compile to this runtime?</i> | JavaScript runs in the browser. It can also be run outside the browser on the server-side using Node.js. TypeScript (JavaScript with types) also runs in the browser. |
| Libraries/Frameworks <i>What are the popular libraries or frameworks used by programmers for this language? List at least three (3) and describe what they are used for..</i> | React – A prominent front-end framework for developing web applications Vue.js – A prominent front-end framework for developing web applications Node.js – A runtime environment for JavaScript, allows you to run JavaScript outside the browser Express – A framework/library for Node.js for building servers more quickly with JavaScript |
| Domains <i>What industries or domains use this programming language? Provide specific examples of companies that use this language and what they use it for. E.g. Company X uses C# for its line of business applications.</i> | It is primarily used for web-development, both frontend and backend. Companies like Netflix, Chess.com, Lyft, Facebook, and many others use JavaScript and TypeScript for their web products. |