

# JavaScript Callback vs Promises









## **Hey Everyone**

If you're new to JavaScript and have a hard time trying to understand how promises work.

In this Post, we will see difference between Javascript Callback vs Promises.

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# The Goal behind Using It

- The Goal is to achieve asynchronous code.
- Async code allows multiple things to happen at the same time.
- We can achieve async code using two methods:
  - Callbacks
  - Promises.



#### Callbacks

 A callback function is a function passed into another function as an argument, which is called inside the otherFunction.

```
//callback function
const greet=(name) ⇒{ console.log('Hi '+name) }

// function
const callMe = ( callback ) ⇒{
   // Take input and save in name
   let name = prompt('Enter your name');
   callback(name);
}

// passing funtion as parameter
callMe(greet);
```



## **Promise**

- Promises are JavaScript objects that represent an eventual completion or failure of an asynchronous operation.
- A promise has two possible outcomes: it will either be kept when the time comes, or it won't.
- A promise is a returned object where you attach callbacks, instead of passing callbacks into a function.



```
//callback function
const greet = (name) \Rightarrow {}
  console.log('Hi ' + name);
};
// function
const callMe = () \Rightarrow {
  return new Promise((resolve, reject) ⇒ {
    let name = prompt('Enter your name');
    if (name) resolve(name);
   reject(false);
 });
};
// start call
callMe().then((result) \Rightarrow greet(result));
```

## Callbacks Vs Promises

- A key difference between the two is
- when using the callback approach, we'd normally just pass a callback into a function.
- In promises, however, you attach callbacks on the returned promise object.
- Making callbacks async can cause issues such as callback hell, so to avoid this we can use promises.





#### **Promises**

- The syntax is userfriendly and easy to read.
- Error Handling is easier to manage.

#### Callbacks

- The syntax is difficult to understand.
- Error handling may be hard to manage.

```
api()
   .then(function (result) {
    return api2();
})
   .then(function (result2) {
    return api3();
})
   .then(function (result3) {
    // do work
})
   .catch(function (error) {
    //handle error
});
```

```
api(function (result) {
   api2(function (result2) {
     api3(function (result3) {
        // do work
        if (error) {
            // do something
        } else {
            // do something
        }
     });
   });
});
```



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