

Objects, JSON and Prototypes



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and JSON

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Simple Objects and JSON

```
var project = new Object();  
project.name = 'Project Phoenix';  
console.log(project.name);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

Project Phoenix

```
var project = new Object();  
project.name = 'Project Phoenix';  
project.securityLevel = 15;  
project.updateDueDate = function () {  
    return true;  
};  
console.log(project.updateDueDate());
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

true

```
var project = new Object();  
project.name = 'Project Phoenix';  
project.securityLevel = 15;  
project.updateDueDate = function () {  
    return true;  
};  
console.log(project['securityLevel']);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

15

```
var project = new Object();  
project.name = 'Project Phoenix';  
project.securityLevel = 15;  
project.updateDueDate = function () {  
    return true;  
};  
var field = 'securityLevel';  
console.log(project[field]);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

15

```
var project = {};  
project.name = 'Project Phoenix';  
console.log(project.name);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

Project Phoenix


```
var project = {  
  name: 'Project Phoenix',  
  securityLevel: 15,  
  updateDueDate: function () {  
    return true;  
  }  
};  
console.log(project.name);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

Project Phoenix

```
var project = {  
  name: 'Project Phoenix',  
  securityLevel: 15,  
  updateDueDate: function () {  
    return true;  
  },  
  team: ['iguanaboy', 'cactusgirl',  
        'Buffy']  
};  
console.log(project.team[2]);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

Buffy

```
var project = {  
  tasks: [  
    {  
      taskName: 'first'  
    },  
    {  
      taskName: 'second'  
    }  
  ]  
};  
console.log(project.tasks[1].taskName);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

second

Understanding Prototypes

Every JavaScript Object has a
prototype property.

However, we don't always have
access to it.

The prototype property is
simply an object.

```
var project = anyObject;  
project.someFunction();
```

How does JavaScript locate / resolve someFunction?

- `project.someFunction()`
- `project.prototype.someFunction()`
- `project.prototype.prototype.someFunction()`
- `project.prototype.prototype.prototype.someFunction()`
- `etc.`

In most browsers, we can
access the prototype property
by using the symbol
`__proto__`.

(not safe!)

The prototype property is most easily accessed on constructor functions.

(Covered in the functions module of this course)

Working with Prototypes

```
var project = {  
  name: 'Project Phoenix'  
};  
console.log(project.foo());
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

TypeError: project.foo
is not a function

```
var project = {  
    name: 'Project Phoenix'  
};  
console.log(project.toString());
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

[object Object]

```
console.log(typeof Object.prototype);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

object

```
console.log(typeof Object.prototype.toString);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

function

```
var project = {  
  name: 'Project Phoenix'  
};  
console.log(project.prototype);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

undefined

```
var project = {  
  name: 'Project Phoenix'  
};  
console.log(typeof project.__proto__);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

object


```
var project = {  
  name: 'Project Phoenix'  
};  
console.log(project.__proto__ === Object);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

false

```
var project = {  
  name: 'Project Phoenix'  
};  
console.log(project.__proto__ === Object.prototype);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

true

Object.create() and Prototypes

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log(secretProject.securityLevel);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

2

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log(typeof secretProject.toString);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

function

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log(secretProject.__proto__ === Object.prototype);
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

false

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log(secretProject.__proto__.__proto__ === Object.prototype);
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true

Object.defineProperty()

```
var task = { };  
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {  
  value: 'Get this job done!'  
});  
console.log(task.text);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

Get this job done!

```
'use strict';  
var task = { };  
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {  
  value: 'Get this job done!',  
  writable: true  
});  
task.text = task.text + ' ... NOW!';  
console.log(task.text);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

Get this job done! ...
NOW!

```
'use strict';
var task = { };
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {
  value: 'Get this job done!'
  // writable: true
});
task.text = task.text + ' ... NOW!';
console.log(task.text);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

TypeError: Cannot
assign to read only
property...

```
'use strict';  
var task = { };  
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {  
  value: 'Get this job done!',  
  enumerable: true  
});  
for (var f in task)  
  console.log(f);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

text

```
'use strict';  
var task = { };  
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {  
  value: 'Get this job done!'  
  //enumerable: true  
});  
for (var f in task)  
  console.log(f);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

(nothing shows)

```
'use strict';
var task = { };
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {
  value: 'Get this job done!',
  configurable: false
});
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {
  value: 'Done!'
});
console.log(task.text);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

TypeError: Cannot
redefine property: text

```
'use strict';  
var task = { };  
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {  
  value: 'Get this job done!',  
  configurable: true  
});  
Object.defineProperty(task, 'text', {  
  value: 'Done!'  
});  
console.log(task.text);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

Done!

```
'use strict';  
var task = {  
  _dueDate: '1/15/16'  
};  
Object.defineProperty(task, 'dueDate', {  
  get: function () {  
    return this._dueDate;  
  }  
});  
console.log(task.dueDate);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

1/15/16


```
'use strict';
var task = {
  _dueDate: '1/15/16'
};
Object.defineProperty(task, 'dueDate', {
  get: function () {
    return this._dueDate;
  },
  set: function (newValue) {
    this._dueDate = newValue;
  }
});
task.dueDate = '2/2/16';
console.log(task.dueDate);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

2/2/16

```
'use strict';
var task = { };
Object.defineProperties(task, {
  'text': {
    value: 'New Task'
  },
  'dueDate': {
    value: '1/15/16'
  }
});
console.log(task.text + ' Due: ' +
  task.dueDate);
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

New Task Due: 1/15/16

```
'use strict';
var task = { };
Object.defineProperty(task, {
  'text': {
    value: 'New Task'
  }
});
var descriptor = Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(task, 'text');
console.log(descriptor);
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

Object {value: "New Task", writable: false, enumerable: false, configurable: false}

Miscellaneous Object Functions

```
'use strict';  
var project = {  
  name: 'Top Secret Project',  
  dueDate: '1/1/2016'  
};  
console.log(project.hasOwnProperty('name'));
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

true

```
'use strict';  
var project = {  
  name: 'Top Secret Project',  
  dueDate: '1/1/2016'  
};  
console.log(project.hasOwnProperty('toString'));
```

Question

What shows in the console?

Answer

false

```
'use strict';  
var project = {  
  name: 'Top Secret Project',  
  dueDate: '1/1/2016'  
};  
console.log(project.__proto__.hasOwnProperty('toString'));
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true

```
'use strict';  
var project = {  
  name: 'Top Secret Project',  
  dueDate: '1/1/2016'  
};  
console.log(Object.prototype.isPrototypeOf(project));
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true


```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log(project.isPrototypeOf(secretProject));
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log(Object.prototype.isPrototypeOf(secretProject));
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log(project.__proto__.isPrototypeOf(secretProject));
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log("securityLevel" in secretProject);
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true

```
var project = {  
    securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log("toString" in secretProject);
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

true

```
var project = {  
  securityLevel: 2  
};  
var secretProject = Object.create(project);  
console.log("securityLevel" in Object.prototype);
```

Q

What shows in the console?

A

false

Summary



JavaScript

- Simple Objects and JSON
- Understanding Prototypes
- Working With Prototypes
- `Object.create()`
- `Object.defineProperty()`
- Miscellaneous Object Functions