

## This Keyword:

# What is **this**?

In JavaScript, the **this** keyword refers to an **object**.

**Which** object depends on how **this** is being invoked (used or called).

The **this** keyword refers to different objects depending on how it is used:

In an object method, <b>this</b> refers to the <b>object</b> .
Alone, <b>this</b> refers to the <b>global object</b> .
In a function, <b>this</b> refers to the <b>global object</b> .
In a function, in strict mode, <b>this</b> is <b>undefined</b> .
In an event, <b>this</b> refers to the <b>element</b> that received the event.
Methods like <b>call()</b> , <b>apply()</b> , and <b>bind()</b> can refer <b>this</b> to <b>any object</b> .

## Note

**this** is not a variable. It is a keyword. You cannot change the value of **this**.

Example:

