Programming for Journalists

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Functions

- A function is a list of code that is stored so that it can be executed at a later time.
- The code within a function does not run, until you tell it to.
- Function names follow same naming rules as variables.
- Functions can be stored inside variables.

```
function someName(){
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}
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Always start with the word function, written in lowercase

```
function someName(){
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```

Naming rules follow same for variable names. Should start with lowercase letter

```
function someName(){
    $('#response').html("Hello World");
}
```

Open and closing parenthesis. This will be important later.

```
function someName(){
    $('#response').html("Hello World");
}
```

Code is surrounded by curly brackets.

```
function someName(){
    $('#response').html("Hello World");
}
```

Remember: Code doesn't run until we want it to.

```
function someName(){
    $('#response').html("Hello World");
}
someName();
```

One way to run a function, is to type it with the parenthesis.

```
function showMessage(){
  $('#response').html(5 + "5");
showMessage();
output:
```

```
function showMessage(){
  $('#response').html(5 + "5");
showMessage();
output: 55
```

```
function showMessage(){
  var myarray = [4, 5, 2, 1];
  $('#response').html(myarray[0] + myarray[1]);
showMessage();
output:
What do we see on the screen?
```

```
function showMessage(){
  var myarray = [4, 5, 2, 1];
  $('#response').html(myarray[0] + myarray[1]);
showMessage();
output: 9
What do we see on the screen?
```

```
function showMessage(){
  var obj = {"name":"Bob", "age":56};
  $('#response').html(obj.name);
showMessage();
output:
```

```
function showMessage(){
  var obj = {"name":"Bob", "age":56};
  $('#response').html(obj.name);
showMessage();
output: Bob
```

```
function showMessage(){
    $('#response').html("Hello World");
}
```

output:

```
function showMessage(){
    $('#response').html("Hello World");
}
```

output:

```
function showMessage(){
  $('#response').html("Hello");
showMessage();
output:
```

```
function showMessage(){
  $('#response').html("Hello");
showMessage();
output: Hello
```

```
function showMessage(message){
    $('#response').html(message);
}
```

```
function showMessage(message){
    $('#response').html(message);
}
showMessage("Hello World! How are you?");
```

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function showMessage(message){
    $('#response').html(message);
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}
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```

```
function showMessage(message){
    $('#response').html(message);
showMessage("Hello");
showMessage("World");
showMessage("Ahhhhhhhh");
```

```
function showMessage(message){
  $('#response').html(message);
showMessage("This isn't so hard");
output:
```

```
function showMessage(message){
  $('#response').html(message);
showMessage("This isn't so hard");
output: This isn't so hard
```

```
function showMessage(message){
  $('#response').append(message);
showMessage("Testing...");
showMessage("1, 2, 3");
output:
```

```
function showMessage(message){
  $('#response').append(message);
showMessage("Testing...");
showMessage("1, 2, 3");
output: Testing... 1, 2, 3
```

```
function calculateScore(score){
  score += 1000;
  $('#response').html("You scored " + score);
calculateScore(1);
output:
```

```
function calculateScore(score){
  score += 1000;
  $('#response').html("You scored " + score);
calculateScore(1);
output: Your score is 1001
```

```
function canYouRideFerrisWheel(height){
  if(height > 40){
    document.write("Hop on!");
  } else {
    document.write("Sorry");
canYouRideFerrisWheel(40);
output:
```

```
function canYouRideFerrisWheel(height){
  if(height > 40){
    document.write("Hop on!");
  } else {
    document.write("Sorry");
canYouRideFerrisWheel(40);
output: Sorry
```

```
function canYouRideFerrisWheel(height){
  if(height > 40){
    $('#response').html("Hop on!");
  } else {
    $('#response').html("Too short to ride");
canYouRideFerrisWheel(100000);
output:
```

```
function canYouRideFerrisWheel(height){
  if(height > 40){
    $('#response').html("Hop on!");
  } else {
   $('#response').html("Too short to ride");
canYouRideFerrisWheel(100000);
output: Hop on!
```

```
function canYouRideFerrisWheel(height){
  if(height > 40){
    $('#response').html("Hop on!");
  } else {
    $('#response').html("Too short to ride");
canYouRideFerrisWheel(40);
output:
```

```
function canYouRideFerrisWheel(height){
  if(height > 40){
   $('#response').html("Hop on!");
  } else {
   $('#response').html("Too short to ride");
canYouRideFerrisWheel(40);
output: Too short to ride
```

What do we see on the screen?

Passing multiple values into function

```
function fullName(first, last){
    $('#response').html("Hi " + first + " " + last);
}
fullName("Jeremy", "Rue");
```

```
function addNumbers(num1, num2){
  $('#response').html(num1 + num2);
addNumbers(4, 8);
```

output:

```
function addNumbers(num1, num2){
    $('#response').html(num1 + num2);
}
addNumbers(4, 8);
```

output: 12

```
function showData(array, index){
  $('#response').html(array[index]);
showData([1, 2, 3], 1);
output:
```

```
function showData(array, index){
    $('#response').html(array[index]);
}
showData([1, 2, 3], 1);
```

output: 2

```
function canDrive(age, hasLicense){
  if(age > 16 && hasLicense == true){
     $('#response').html("Let's drive!");
  } else {
     $('#response').html("Keep to the bike");
canDrive(43, false);
output:
```

```
function canDrive(age, hasLicense){
  if(age > 16 && hasLicense == true){
     $('#response').html("Let's drive!");
  } else {
     $('#response').html("Keep to the bike");
canDrive(43, false);
```

output: Keep to the bike

```
function canDrive(age, hasLicense){
  if(age > 16 && hasLicense){
    $('#response').html("Let's drive!");
  } else {
   $('#response').html("Keep to the bike");
canDrive(8, true);
```

output:

```
function canDrive(age, hasLicense){
  if(age > 16 && hasLicense){
    $('#response').html("Let's drive!");
  } else {
   $('#response').html("Keep to the bike");
canDrive(8, true);
```

output: Keep to the bike

```
function retrieveProperty(obj, prop){
    $('#response').html(obj[prop]);
}
retrieveProperty({"type":"cat"}, "type");
```

output:

```
function retrieveProperty(obj, prop){
    $('#response').html(obj[prop]);
}
retrieveProperty({"type":"cat"}, "type");
```

output: cat

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```
function addNumbers(num1, num2){
    return num1 + num2;
}
```

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function addNumbers(num1, num2){
    return num1 + num2;
}
```

```
function addNumbers(num1, num2){
    return num1 + num2;
}
addNumbers(3, 5);
```

```
function addNumbers(num1, num2){
    return num1 + num2;
}
var sum = addNumbers(3, 5);
```

```
function addNumbers(num1, num2){
  var total = num1 + num2;
  return total;
$('#res').html(addNumbers(4, 1));
output:
```

```
function addNumbers(num1, num2){
  var total = num1 + num2;
  return total;
$('#res').html(addNumbers(4, 1));
output: 5
```

```
function calculatePercentage(is, of){
  var percent = is/of * 100;
   return is + " is " + percent + " percent of " + of;
$('#res').html( calculatePercentage(3, 10) );
output:
```

```
function calculatePercentage(is, of){
  var percent = is/of * 100;
  return is + " is " + percent + " percent of " + of;
$('#res').html( calculatePercentage(3, 10) );
output: 3 is 30 percent of 10
```

```
function appendPrefix(gender, name){
   if(gender == "male"){
     name = "Mr." + name;
   } else {
     name = "Ms." + name;
   return name;
$('#res').html("Why hello " + appendPrefix("male", ""Stevens"));
output:
```

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function appendPrefix(gender, name){
  if(gender == "male"){
     name = "Mr." + name;
  } else {
     name = "Ms." + name;
  return name;
$('#res').html("Why hello " + appendPrefix("male", ""Stevens"));
output: Why hello Mr. Stevens
```

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function appendPrefix(gender, name){
   if(gender == "male"){
      name = "Mr." + name;
   } else {
      name = "Ms." + name;
   return name;
$('#res').html(appendPrefix("male", "Stevens") + ", please meet "
+ appendPrefix("female", "Wright"));
output:
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+ appendPrefix("female", "Wright"));
```

output: Mr. Stevens, please meet Ms. Wright

```
function average(num1, num2, num3, num4){
   var avg = (num1 + num2 + num3 + num4)/4;
   return avg;
}

$('#res').html(average(1, 1, 1, 1) + " is boring, while " +
   average(1, 2, 3, 4) + " is more interesting.");

output:
```

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$('#res').html(average(1, 1, 1, 1) + " is boring, while " +
average(1, 2, 3, 4) + " is more interesting.");

output: 1 is boring while 2.5 is interesting
```

```
function calculateAverage(arrayOfNumbers){
   var total = 0;
  for(var i=0; i<arrayOfNumber.length;i++){</pre>
     total += arrayOfNumbers[i];
   return total/arrayOfNumbers.length;
$('#res').html(calculateAverage([1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]));
output:
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output: 5
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