

7.11 JS ES6



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- ECMAScript 2015 was the second major revision to Javascript.
- ECMAScript 2015 is also known as ES6 and ECMAScript 6.

New arrow functions

- **Arrow functions** allows a short syntax for writing function expressions.
- You don't need the `function` keyword, the `return` keyword, and the curly brackets.

```
// ES5
```

```
var x = function(x, y) {  
  return x * y;  
}
```

```
// ES6
```

```
const x = (x, y) => x * y;
```

- Arrow functions do not have their own `this`. They are not well suited for defining object methods.
- Arrow functions are not hoisted. They must be defined before they are used.
- Using `const` is safer than using `var`, because a function expression is always a constant value.
- You can only omit the `return` keyword and the curly brackets if the function is a single statement. Because of this, it might be a good habit to always keep them:

```
const x = (x, y) => { return x * y };
```

Setting default parameter values

- ES6 allows function parameters to have default values.

```
function myFunction(x, y = 10) {  
  // y is 10 if not passed or undefined  
  return x + y;  
}  
myFunction(5); // will return 15
```

Indefinite argument count

- The rest parameter (`...`) allows a function to treat an indefinite number of arguments as an array:

```
function sum(...args) {  
  let sum = 0;  
  for (let arg of args) sum += arg;  
  return sum;  
}  
  
let x = sum(4, 9, 16, 25, 29, 100, 66, 77);
```

String functions

Keyword(s)	Description	Sample code	Console output
<code>includes()</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Checks if a given substring is present within the source string and returns true if found, or false if not.	<pre>const sample_string = "Hello, World!"; const contains_hello = sample_string.includes("Hello"); const contains_goodbye = sample_string.includes("Goodbye"); console.log("Contains 'Hello':", contains_hello);</pre>	<pre>Contains 'Hello': true Contains 'Goodbye': false Starts with 'Hello': true Starts with 'World': false</pre>
<code>startsWith()</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Determines whether the source string begins with a specified prefix and returns true if it	<pre>console.log("Contains 'Goodbye':", contains_goodbye); const starts_with_hello = sample_string.startsWith("Hello");</pre>	<pre>Ends with '!': true Ends with ,': false</pre>

	does, or false if it does not.	<pre>const starts_with_world = sample_string.startsWith("World"); console.log("Starts with 'Hello':", starts_with_hello); console.log("Starts with 'World':", starts_with_world);</pre>	
endsWith()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Checks if the source string ends with a specified suffix and returns true if it does, or false if it does not. 	<pre>const ends_exclamation = sample_string.endsWith("!"); const ends_comma = sample_string.endsWith(","); console.log("Ends with '!':", ends_exclamation); console.log("Ends with ',':", ends_comma);</pre>	

Array functions

Keyword(s)	Description	Sample code	Console output
from()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creates a new array from an iterable or array-like object. 	<pre>const iterable = "Hello"; const char_array = Array.from(iterable); console.log("Array from iterable:", char_array);</pre>	<pre>Indices of array elements: (5) [0, 1, 2, 3, 4] First even number: 2</pre>
keys()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returns an array iterator containing the indices of an array's elements. 	<pre>const keys_array = Array.from(char_array.keys()); console.log("Indices of array elements:", keys_array);</pre>	<pre>Index of person with age 25: 1</pre>
find()	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returns the first element in an array that satisfies a specified condition or predicate function. 	<pre>const numbers = [1, 2, 5, 8, 9]; const evenNumber = numbers.find((num) => num % 2 === 0); console.log("First even number:", evenNumber);</pre>	

		<pre>const people = [{ name: "Alice", age: 30 }, { name: "Bob", age: 25 }, { name: "Charlie", age: 35 },];</pre>	
<code>findIndex()</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Returns the index of the first element in an array that satisfies a specified condition or predicate function.	<pre>const index = people.findIndex((person) => person.age === 25); console.log("Index of person with age 25:", index);</pre>	

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