Variables, scope and hoisting

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Rules

Feel free to interrupt me for:

- questions
- relevant comments

Agenda

- variable declaration and naming
- var, let, and const
- variable scope
- hoisting

Variable declaration

- var
- let
- const

Variable names

- names can contain letters, digits, underscores (_), and dollar signs (\$)
- names must begin with a letter
- names can also begin with _ and \$
- names are case-sensitive ("x" and "X" are different variables)
- reserved words (JavaScript keywords) cannot be used as names

Variable scope

- global scope: the default scope for all code running in script mode
- module scope: the scope for code running in module mode
- function scope: the scope created with a function
- block scope: the scope created with openining and closing curly braces ({})

Variables

- var: function scope
- let or const: block scope
- const: cannot be updated or re-declared

Hoisting

Hoisting refers to the process whereby the interpreter appears to move the declaration of functions, variables, classes, or imports to the top of their scope, prior to execution of the code.

Happy coding!