Default Values

Every variable in Dart can have a default value. A default value is a value that you assign to a variable in order to initialize it. Not all variables have a default value. For instance, a late variable is a type of variable that doesn't have a default value to start with, but will be assigned a value later on in its lifetime. Default values are necessary for constants as they need to be initialized with a value.

Further reading:

- Default value dart.dev
- · Dart Programming Variables Tutorialspoint
- · Dart Variables W3Schools | W3Adda
- Dart Variable Javatpoint
- · Dart Variables GeeksforGeeks



Examples

```
1 const names = ['Foo', 'Bar', 'Baz'];
2 // in this example we are going to loop over a list
3 // of names and find the one that has the most amount
4 // of characters, aka, the longest, and place it inside
5 // the "longestName" variable. In this case we are
6 // setting the default value of this variable to an
7 // empty string, so that its length is 0
8 String longestName = '';
9 for (final name in names) {
10   if (name.length > longestName.length) {
11    longestName = name;
12   }
13 }
```