Converting to Strings

In this lesson, we'll learn how to convert various data types to strings. Let's begin!

WE'LL COVER THE FOLLOWINGString() rules for conversion



Almost all values (including reference values and primitive values) have a toString() method that can be used to convert the value to a string. If the value is a Number, you can pass an integer argument to toString(), which represents the base of the conversion. Its value must be between 2 and 36:

```
var num = 73;
console.log(num.toString(2)); // 1001001
console.log(num.toString(8)); // 111
console.log(num.toString(16)); // 49
var num1 = 17.25;
console.log(num1.toString(2)); // 10001.01
```

As you can see from this short code snippet, you can invoke toString() with a specific radix to convert floating-point numbers, too.

Another way to convert values to strings is to leverage the String() casting function. It works similarly to the other casting functions you have already met, such as Boolean() and Number().

String() rules for conversion

String() uses these rules:

- If the value is null, "null" is returned.
- If the value is undefined, the casting results "undefined".
- Otherwise, if the value has a toString() method, it is called with no arguments, and its result is returned.

Achievement unlocked!



Congratulations! You've learned some really useful stuff about string conversion in JavaScript.



Great work! Give yourself a round of applause! :)

In the *next lesson*, we'll look at some string properties and some useful string functions.

Stay tuned!