**ARCH A4988** 

# Coding for Spatial Practices

<JavaScript Basics>



## **Learning Objectives**

## Giving your website some interactivity

- Describe the role JavaScript plays alongside HTML and CSS.
- Define website behavior and the practical uses of JavaScript.
- Demonstrate the ability to include JavaScript files in a project.

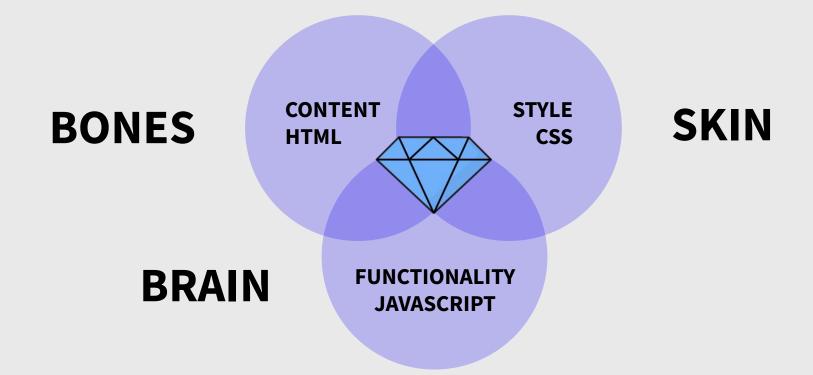
# Agenda

- 1. Hello, World!
- 2. JavaScript Basics
- 3. Exercises
- 4. Final Project -- Deliverable 02





## **Front End Trifecta**



## What is JavaScript?

A list of instructions to be executed by a computer:

- Instruction-based
- Conditional
- Sequential

## What JavaScript can do?

- Access the content of the page
- Modify the content of the page
- Program rules or instructions the browser can follow
- React to events triggered by the user or browser
- Use an API via HTTP(S)

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- 2. Modify Content
- 3. Program Rules
- 4. React to Events

You can use JavaScript to select any element, attribute or text from an HTML page.

#### Example:

Find out what a visitor
 to your site entered into
 a text input when they
 submit a form

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You can use JavaScript to add (or remove) elements, attributes and text to/from an HTML page.

#### Example:

 Change the size, position, color or other styles for an element

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You can use JavaScript to specify a set of steps (instructions) for the browser to follow.

#### Example:

 Have images/text fade in if the user has scrolled to a certain portion of the page

## What JavaScript can do?

- 1. Access Content
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- 4. React to Events

You can use JavaScript to specify that a script should run when an event occurs.

#### Example:

- When a button is clicked
- When the cursor hovers over an element

# **How to Implement**

#### Internal

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
JavaScript code
</script>
```

#### **External**

```
<script language="javascript"
src="js/filename.js"></script>
```

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
    alert("Hello World!")
</script>
```

#### Method

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
    alert("Hello World!")
</script>
```

#### **Bracket**

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
    alert("Hello World!")
</script>
```

- () data
- [] an array
- {} object or the opening of a block statement

#### Data

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
    alert("Hello World!")
</script>
```

#### Whitespace & Line Breaks

```
<script language="javascript"
type="text/javascript">
    let num01 = 10
    let num02 = 20
</script>
```

#### **Semicolons**

```
<script language="javascript"
type="text/javascript">
    let num01 = 10; let num02 = 20;
</script>
```

#### Comments

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
   // This is a single line comment
   <!-- This is a multiline comment
   -->
   /* This is also a multiline comment */
</script>
```

#### **Shortcut**

Command + backslash



#### console

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
    console.log("Hello World!");
</script>
```

#### document

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
    document.write("Hello World!");
</script>
```

#### **Variables**

Sometimes your program will have to store temporary bits of information it needs to do its job. It uses variables to store this information.

Before you can use a variable, you need to announce that you want to use it. This involves creating it and giving it a name.

```
var width;
```

#### **Variables**

Once you've created the variable, you can tell it what information you would like it to store for you.

```
width = 40;
```

#### **Variables**

Before the newer version of JavaScript was introduced in 2015, var was used extensively. Now, with JavaScript ES6 we use let and const.

#### **Variables**

Declare variables using the let or const keywords.

You refer to variables by using their names anywhere in your program.

```
let age;
age = 29;
let age = 29

let numberOfStudents = 12;
const name = "Celeste";
```

## **Variable Naming**

Names should be easily understood.

- No spaces allowed
- You can use "\_"; but don't do it
- Use camelCase: itWorksLikeThis

```
let howManyCoasters = 18;
const midWeek = "Wednesday";
```

## Variable Reassignment

Note: If you'd used **const** instead of **let** to declare the variable, the last part of the example would throw an error!

```
let day = "Tuesday";
day = "Wednesday";
let x = 18;
console.log(x);
⇒ 18
x * 2;
console.log(x);
⇒ 18
x = x * 2
console.log(x);
⇒ 36
```

#### **Methods**

The actions that can be performed on objects.

```
alert(); console.log(); click(),
toggle(), mouseover(), mousemove(),
mouseenter(), mouseleave(), drag(),
drop(), scroll(), show(), hide(),
fadeIn(), fadeOut(), slideDown(),
slideUp(), focus(), blur(), css(),
addClass(), html(), append(), load(),
copy(), paste(), ...
```

#### **Function**

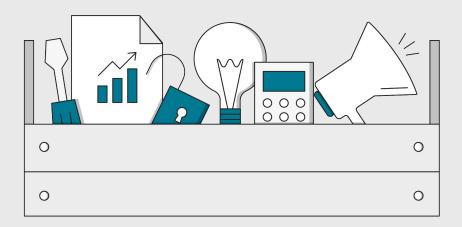
A block of code designed to perform a particular task.

```
//define function called sayHello
function sayHello() {
  console.log("Hi!");
}

//call sayHello Function
sayHello();
```

## **Basic Data Types**

- Strings
- Numbers
- Boolean
- Null / undefined



#### **Numbers**

- You've probably seen these before: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.
- They are used mathematically throughout JS code, so normal math rules apply.
- They are paired with operators: +, -, \*, and /.
  - 10 \* 10 ⇒ 100
  - 8 4 ⇒ 4
- They can also include floating point numbers i.e., decimals or floats.
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  - 0 8.99 + 2 => 10.99

## **Strings**

- String means text that's it!
  - o "It is a beautiful evening";
  - o "Is it really Monday?";
  - o "I am feeling good today!";
- With JS, you can merge strings using the "+" operator. This is called "string concatenation."
  - "You want " + "to go " + "eat on 14th?";
- You can think of a string as a collection of characters tied together.

#### Boolean

- Booleans represent the logical concept of true or false.
  - Other data values can be converted to Booleans for logical analysis.
  - 0, -0, null, NaN, undefined, or the empty string ("") are false.
  - All other values will be converted to **true** if it exists, it's "truthy."

```
Boolean("Harry Styles");

⇒ true

Boolean("1979");

⇒ true
```

#### Null / undefined / NaN

- These values denote the lack of value in JavaScript.
  - null specifically suggests nothing i.e., certain not to be anything.
  - undefined suggests a variable will be given a value later but not yet.
  - NaN means "not a number," usually because your math has gone wrong.

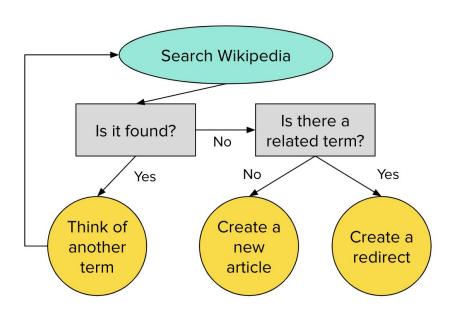
```
let lysine;
console.log(lysine);
⇒ undefined

console.log(9 * null);
```

#### **Conditional Statements**

Why use them?

Conditional logic allows you to create vastly more complex programs. Think of the decision-making process of giant flowcharts.



#### **Conditional Statements**

#### **Comparison Operators**

These are a set of operators that give you the ability to compare values and return a Boolean result (true or false).

operator	name	description	example
>	Greater than	Returns true if the left operand is greater than the right operand.	a > b
>=	Greater than or equal	Returns true if the left operand is greater than or equal to the right operand.	b >= a
<	Less than	Returns true if the left operand is less than the right operand.	a < b
<=	Less than or equal	Returns true if the left operand is less than or equal to the right operand.	b <= 5

# **Conditional Statements**

## **Equality Operators**

operator	name	description	example
==	Equal	Returns true if the operands match. Does not compare data type.	3 == var1
!=	Not equal	Returns true if the operands are not equal. Does not compare data type.	var1 != 4
===	Strict equal	Returns true if the operands are strictly including their data types.	3 === var1
!==	Strict not equal	Returns true if the operands are not equal and/or not of the same type.	var2 !== 3

## **Double vs. Triple Equals**

**Double equals** doesn't check for type, so it won't care if the data types are the same. This can lead to some unpredictable behavior!

**Triple equals** — the strict equality operator — will compare both the value and data type, creating much more predictable results. **Just use triple equals!** 

#### **Conditional Statements**

Conditionals are function-like statements that take Booleans as inputs:

```
if (valueOne === valueTwo) {
  console.log("Valid");
}
```

Note the **code block** defined in curly braces ({ }). This code block executes if the Boolean provided is **true**.

#### else Statements

You will often want to have an <a href="else">else</a> statement immediately after the <a href="if">if</a> statement. This will trigger when the <a href="if">if</a> comparison turns out to be <a href="false">false</a>.

```
if (valueOne === valueTwo) {
  console.log("Valid");
} else {
  console.log("Invalid");
}
```

## **Multiple Conditions**

```
if (test1 === test2) {
  console.log('test1 and test2 are equal');
} else if (test1 > test2) {
  console.log('test1 is greater than test2');
} else {
  console.log('none of the conditions were met');
}
```

## Careful! Equals Aren't All Equal...

When you use =, that is an assignment operator.

If you try to use = instead of === in a comparison statement, you will get strange results — it will always evaluate as true!

```
// This won't work the way you think it will!
let temperature = 0;
if (temperature = 100) {
  console.log("Always going to happen!");
}
```

#### **Conditional Statements**

#### **Logic Operators**

**These** allow us to combine multiple conditions together. For very complex conditionals, you can put several conditions in parentheses to evaluate them as a single expression.

operator	name	description	usage
&&	Logical AND	Evaluates to <b>true</b> only if all combined values are true.	expr1 && expr2
II	Logical OR	Evaluates to <b>true</b> if any of the combined values are true.	expr1    expr2
!	Logical NOT	Reverses the Boolean result of whatever follows it.	!expr

### **Multiple Conditions, One Statement**

You can check to see if two conditions are met in one statement with a logic operator:

```
let clickDetected = true;
let clickTwoDetected = false;
if (clickDetected === true && clickTwoDetected === false){
   // do something
}
```

## Using!

The **not** operator, !, is a great way to check if something exists in the JS memory system.:

```
let whatever; // would be undefined, no memory assignment
if( !whatever ) {
  console.log("Turns out whatever doesn't exist!");
}
```

If there isn't a comparison inside a conditional statement, JS will interpret the argument as a Boolean. The only values that would equate to false are 0, -0, null, NaN, undefined, or "", so nearly anything that exists will pass the test.

## **Pro Tip: Condensing Conditionals**

Like we saw in the previous slide, not all conditionals need a comparison statement — especially if the values being tested are already Booleans!

Thus, you will rarely see a comparison with === true or !== false.

Instead, developers will use the following pattern:

```
if (clickDetected && !clickTwoDetected) {
   // do something
}
```

# JavaScript Basics

## **Arithmetic Operators**

operator	name	description	usage
-	Negation	Subtracts	4 - 3 = 1
+	Plus	Adds	4 + 3 = 7
*	Multiply	Multiplies	3 * 2 = 6
1	Divide	Divides	12 / 2 = 6
%	Modulus	Returns the remainder.	12 % 5 = 2
++	Increment	Increases the value by 1	x = 1; x++; x = 2
	Decrement	Decreases the value by 1	x = 1; x; x = 0

### **Arrays**

Think of arrays as containers of data. Technically, an **array** is an ordered collection of data types combined into one variable.

Each item in an array is assigned an **index** value based on its position. These index values allow us to access individual elements within the array.

## Why Do Arrays Matter?

Arrays are one of just two types of data "containers" in JavaScript (the other is objects). As a result, much of the data we use comes in the form of arrays.

Arrays come from three main places:

- The DOM (With querySelectorAll and getElementsByClassName)
- 2. API responses (information received from other web applications)
- 3. Databases

## **Syntax**

```
const fruits = ["banana", "orange", "apple"]
```

You make an array using a set of square brackets.

Inside the brackets, each value must be separated by a comma.

## **Accessing Array Values**

```
const fruits = ["banana", "orange", "apple"];
fruits[0]; // will output "banana"
fruits[1]; // will output "orange"
fruits[2]; // will output "apple"
```

Access array items using square brackets around their index values. It's pretty simple — just remember that the first index value is always zero!

### .length

```
const fruits = ["banana", "orange", "apple"];
fruits.length;
=> 3
```

Use the .length property to figure out how many items are in your array. This is very useful when we need to look through the whole array with a loop.

## Removing Items With . pop

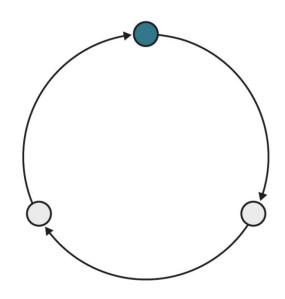
```
const fruits = ["banana", "orange", "apple"];
fruits.pop();
// fruits is now: ["banana", "orange"];
```

The **.pop** method removes the **last** item in the array. Can you hear the sound effect when you pop an item off?

Loop: A control flow statement allowing for the repeated execution of a code block until a specific condition is reached.

## Why Loops?

- Loops take advantage of what computers do best: evaluate instructions across organized sets of data very quickly.
- Computers excel when working in isolated patterns, which is exactly how a loop works.
- Avoid needlessly copying or re-typing code by repeating it in a loop.



#### An Iterator, Terminator, and Incrementer Walk Into a Loop...

A for loop is similar to an if statement but with more conditions. When creating a for loop, we need to make three declarations:

- 1. Define a variable to act as our **iterator**, typically named i.
- 2. Establish a condition for the loop to stop, called the terminating condition.
- 3. Increment the iterator variable (or decrement, if the loop goes backward).

```
for (let i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
  console.log(i);
}
// outputs 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9</pre>
```

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```
for (let i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
  if(i === 6){ break; }
  console.log('Total elephants: ' + i);
}</pre>
```

The for loop consists of three optional expressions, followed by a code block:

- Initialization -- a used to create a counter.
- 2. Condition -- checked each time before the loop runs. If it evaluates to true, the statement or code in the loop is executed. If it evaluates to false, the loop stops.
- Final expression -- executed after each iteration of the loop; usually used to increment or decrement a counter

```
for (initialization; condition; finalExpression) {
  // code
}
```

#### **Iterators**

```
const students = ["Alice", "Han", "Chi Chi", "Brent"];
for(let index = 0; index < students.length; index++){
  console.log("Name of student is: " + students[index]);
}</pre>
```

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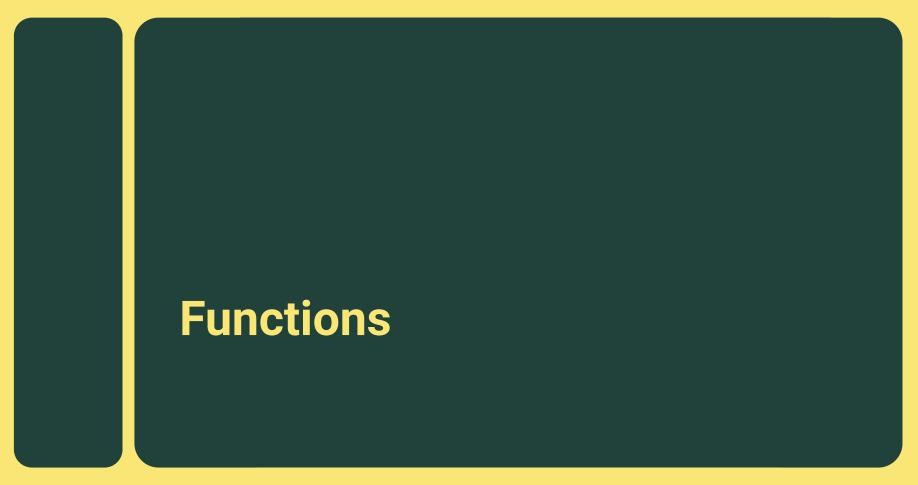




Let's practice writing functions.

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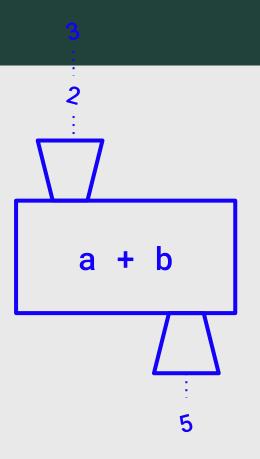
Go to the Google Drive course folder, Week-09: JavaScript Basics and download starter\_code\_week\_09 into your course folder. Open arrays\_and\_loops



#### What is a function?

Function is a term that comes out of mathematics. A function is a block of code that returns a result.

It only knows what you tell it and when you ask it something, it will reply with an answer.



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Functions are not always executed when a page loads. It provides us with a way to 'store' the steps needed to achieve a task.

# **Anatomy of a Function**

#### keyword

function name
scope
function body
return statement
semicolon

```
function calculateBill(){
  let sum = 3 + 2;
  return sum;
};
calculateBill();
```

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                         function name +
                         parentheses
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#### **Function Container**

```
function multiply() {
};
```

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```
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## **Output**

```
function multiply(num1, num2) {
   // Output
   return num1 * num2
};
```



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# **Function Syntax**

#### **Call a function**

To run the code in a function, we call, or invoke, the function by using the function name followed by parentheses.

If the parentheses are not included, the function will not run.

```
function sayHello(){
  console.log("Great to see you.")
};
sayHello();
```

# **Function Syntax**

## **Properly name a function**

The variable you use for a function should contain a verb. If the purpose of your function is to check data, for example, use the verb check in the variable name.

Functions usually do things:

checkInputLength()
moveSquareRight()
changeBackgroundColor()

- getting data
- setting data
- checking data
- printing data

### Write a function with one parameter

In the function, the parameter is arbitrarily called *name*. We call parameters whatever makes semantic sense.

```
// Define the function
function sayName(name) {
  console.log('Hello! My name is
' + name);
}

// Call (or invoke) the function
with a parameter
sayName('Helen')
sayName('Mabel')
```

### Write a function with one parameter

Instead of logging the statement to the console, what if we render it to the webpage?

```
// Define the function
function sayName(name){
  const body = document.querySelector('body');
  const p = document.createElement('p');
  p.textContent = 'Hello! My name is' + name
  body.appendChild(p)
// Call the function with a parameter
sayName('Helen')
sayName('Mabel')
```

### Write a function with multiple parameters

A function can take any number of parameters.

```
// Define the function
function calculateArea(width, length){
  console.log(width * length);
}

// Call (or invoke) the function with a
parameter
calculateArea(4, 4)
calculateArea(12, 16)
```

#### Write a function with a return statement

A function is only defined if it has a return value.

### **Stop a function**

You can use return to terminate a function.

If the **num** value is present, the function goes on as expected, otherwise it's immediately stopped.

```
function calculateSomething(num) {
  if (!num) {
    return
  }

  // go on with the function
}
```

#### return

Programs with multiple, reusable functions that process and return data are the next step in your journey.

```
function addThings(val1, val2) {
  return val1 + val2;
}

let result = addThings(1, 2);
console.log(result);
```

#### return + Conditions

Functions will often have conditions that change the nature of their output.

```
function addThings(val1, val2) {
   if (val1 >= 10) {
     return val1 + val2;
   }
   return 0;
}

console.log(addThings(11, 2));
console.log(addThings(7, 5));
```

# **Practical Application**

These examples may seem kind of silly (they are!), but that's because our data is static.

Loops and functions become more important when we handle **live data** from APIs and databases, because they help us deal with information we haven't defined ourselves!





#### Guided Walk-Through:

## **GSAPP Event Page**



Let's make an event score in the style of the Fluxus visual artist, Alison Knowles. The Fluxus movement emphasized process over product.

#### Instructions:

Go to the Google Drive course folder, Week-08: JavaScript Basics and download starter\_code\_week\_08 into your course folder. Open house\_of\_dust



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#### Part I

Using your new knowledge of some simple JavaScript functionality, to solve the following:

Imagine you work the information booth at a theme park and help recommend rides to guests.

- 1. Declare a variable age. Assign it the value 25.
- 2. Declare a variable height. Assign it the value 5.
- 3. Log each variable to the console and hit the "Run" button in the console panel. Example: console.log(age)

#### **Part II**

Write out an if / else if / else statement for the following conditions:

- 1. If a person is less than 8 years old, recommend the merry-go-round. console.log("Check out the Merry-Go-Round. You'll love it!");
- 2. Otherwise if a person is more than 8 years old AND less than 65 years old AND more than 4.5 feet tall, recommend the roller coaster. console.log("Check out the Roller Coaster. It's awesome!");
- 3. Otherwise recommend the lazy river console.log('Why not enjoy a float down the Lazy River?');

#### **Sentence Generator**

- 1. Create three variables called noun verb and adjective and store one of each type.
- 2. Choose a short one sentence poem that includes the following variables:
  - Sample sentence: `My \${noun} leaps \${adjective} when I
    \${verb} a rainbow in the sky:`
- 3. Create five different versions of this sentence with different variables.
- 4. Style the HTML pages.

#### **Sentence Generator**

- 1. Make Make a list of at least five words for each variable:
   Sample array: let nouns = [ 'heart', 'rainbow', 'ocean'];.
- 2. Create a randomly generated sentence by using the variables.
   - Sample sentence: `My \${noun} leaps \${adjective} when I
   \${verb} a rainbow in the sky:`
- 3. Style the HTML page.

Hint: Formula for selecting a random element from an array
let item = arrayName[Math.floor(Math.random()\*arrayName.length)];

Upload all your html files to your Github repository, and add links to the pages on the Github homepage.

Project 03 - Catalog!!!

Create a collection of 100 (visual) media items. These can be physical objects that you document, screenshots, found images, videos, original images, etc. If you want to collect quotes or text, it will have to be displayed with an image-based method.

We will add these into a database to be determined, (you have the option to swap collections with one of your peers). We will then make an online experience that connects with the database in order to learn how to pull structured data that is not yours and use it to populate a website.

#### Deliverable 01 << 10/29/2024 >>

- Come up with 3 ideas for a collection with 5 images/media items/examples for each. (example set of three themes: screenshots of my desktop, video clips from the news, or cut out images of doll body parts).
  - a. Consider what unites the media, how different or similar can they be from each other?
  - b. You don't have to know why you like something or where this is going!
- 2. For each, write a summary of what you'd like to investigate with the collection idea.

## **Objectives:**

- Find a way for the type of content to inform the form of your site
- To gather and organize a collection of media
- To design flexibly for content that we can't control
- To connect and use structured content from an "API" that you created

#### Consider:

- WHAT do you want to do and WHY, and then HOW?
- Does the type of content imply a form for your site?
- How can you tell a story through a curated set of visuals / interactive experiences?
- How is the collection organized (or disorganized)?
- Consider how the user interacts with this collection, do they see it all at once, or do they have to work to uncover parts or all of it?
- Does the design of the site respond to new content? (e.g. marking anything that has been added in the last 24 hours)

### Requirements:

- A title for your collection
- An about page or section containing a brief text about your collection
   + designer credit
- Must include all 100+ media items
- Your site must have one javascript element that enhances the experience and relates to your collection in a meaningful way.
- Your website should have at least two ways of viewing your collection.
- These can be filters/subgroupings, sorting methods, list v thumbnails toggle, etc.
- Site favicon
- Must be responsive / functional on a mobile screen (mobile does NOT need a custom design, however, but the site should not break on a mobile screen.)

#### Deliverable 02 << 11/12/2024 >>

- 1. Create a folder that bears your name in the Google Drive folder: <u>Final-Project-Student-Folders</u>. Come up with three layout ideas for your website.
- 2. Consider ways that you might organize the 100 items. Come up with multiple ideas for a set of 3 sub-categories. These might be filtering or sorting mechanisms. Find similarities, draw connections, and develop a concept or narrative for the collection you chose.

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- Present sketches of 3 vastly different ways of viewing/designing your assigned collection using Sketch, XD, Figma, or Indd.
  - Can you look at one item at a time, or is the overall-ness important?
  - How does the user move between the items in your collection?
  - How do the filters/sorting mechanisms function?
- 4. Add the sketches to your Google Drive project folder: <u>Final-Project-Student-Folders</u>.

