



MODULE THREE - OBJECTS

OOJS



TODAY'S SCHEDULE

1. Cool Things
2. Midterm Review
3. Let's Review Objects
4. What is OOP?
5. Review - Objects!
6. OOJS / Constructor Functions
7. Not 'This', Again!
8. Other Methods to Create Object Instances
9. Recap & Next Week



LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. understand what objects are, the basics of OOP and how to do JS in an object-oriented way
2. understand what a constructor function is and how to use it
3. understand and demonstrate other ways to create objects

A person wearing a brown baseball cap and a red and blue plaid shirt is sitting at a desk, looking at a computer monitor. The monitor displays some code or text. To the right of the monitor is a laptop. On the desk, there is also a white mug with a logo and a smartphone. The background shows a bookshelf with books and a decorative infinity symbol on the wall. The text "COOL THINGS!" is overlaid in the center of the image.

COOL THINGS!

RESOURCES, LINKS TUTORIALS AND OTHER COOL THINGS...

- ▶ <https://medium.com/javascript-scene/top-javascript-frameworks-and-topics-to-learn-in-2020-and-the-new-decade-ced6e9d812f9>
- ▶ <https://css-tricks.com/become-a-front-end-master-in-2020-with-these-10-project-ideas/>
- ▶ <https://watchandcode.com/>
- ▶ <https://hackernoon.com/jokes-programmers-will-understand-23d484d8bef8>

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- ▶ <https://technostacks.com/blog/front-end-development-tools/>
- ▶ <https://github.com/h5bp/Front-end-Developer-Interview-Questions>
- ▶ <https://www.freecodecamp.org/news/cracking-the-front-end-interview-9a34cd46237/>
- ▶ <http://endless.horse/>
- ▶ <https://trypap.com/>



LET'S REVIEW – MIDTERM EXAM

A person wearing a brown cap and a plaid shirt is sitting at a desk, looking at a computer monitor. The person is resting their chin on their hand, appearing thoughtful. On the desk, there is a large monitor, a laptop, a smartphone, and a mug. In the background, there is a bookshelf with books and a decorative infinity symbol on the wall.

LET'S REVIEW – OBJECTS

WHAT IS AN OBJECT?

- ▶ a **collection** of related data and/or functionality
- ▶ objects are made up of **multiple members**, each of which has a name and value
- ▶ Each name/value pair must be **separated by a comma** and the name and value in each case are **separated by a colon**



IN JAVASCRIPT,
EVERYTHING (ALMOST)
IS AN OBJECT

(And if it's not an object, it still might act like one)

OBJECT LITERALS



We call objects that we create **object literals**, they are **different** than objects instantiated from a **class**.

OBJECT LITERAL SYNTAX

```
const objectName = {  
  member1Name: member1Value,  
  member2Name: member2Value,  
  member3Name: member3Value  
};  
|
```


OBJECT LITERAL EXAMPLE

```
const cat = {  
  name: ['Stevie', 'Nicks'],  
  age: 7,  
  gender: 'female',  
  interests: ['napping', 'eating', 'purring', 'mice',  
    'mischief'],  
  bio: function() {  
    alert(this.name[0] + ' ' + this.name[1] + ' is ' + this.age  
      + ' years old. He likes ' + this.interests[0] + ' and ' +  
      this.interests[1] + '.');  
  },  
  greeting: function() {  
    alert('Hi! I\'m ' + this.name[0] + '.');  
  }  
}
```

OBJECT LITERALS – WHEN TO USE?

- ▶ Need to transfer a series of structured, related data
(i.e. sending a request to a server)
- ▶ more efficient than sending items
- ▶ easier to work with than an array



OOP BASICS

A person wearing a brown cap and a plaid shirt is sitting at a desk, looking at a computer monitor. The desk also has a laptop, a smartphone, a mug, and a pair of headphones. The background shows a bookshelf and a wall with a geometric pattern. The text "OOP BASICS" is overlaid on the image.

Object-oriented Programming in **7 minutes**

What is OOP?

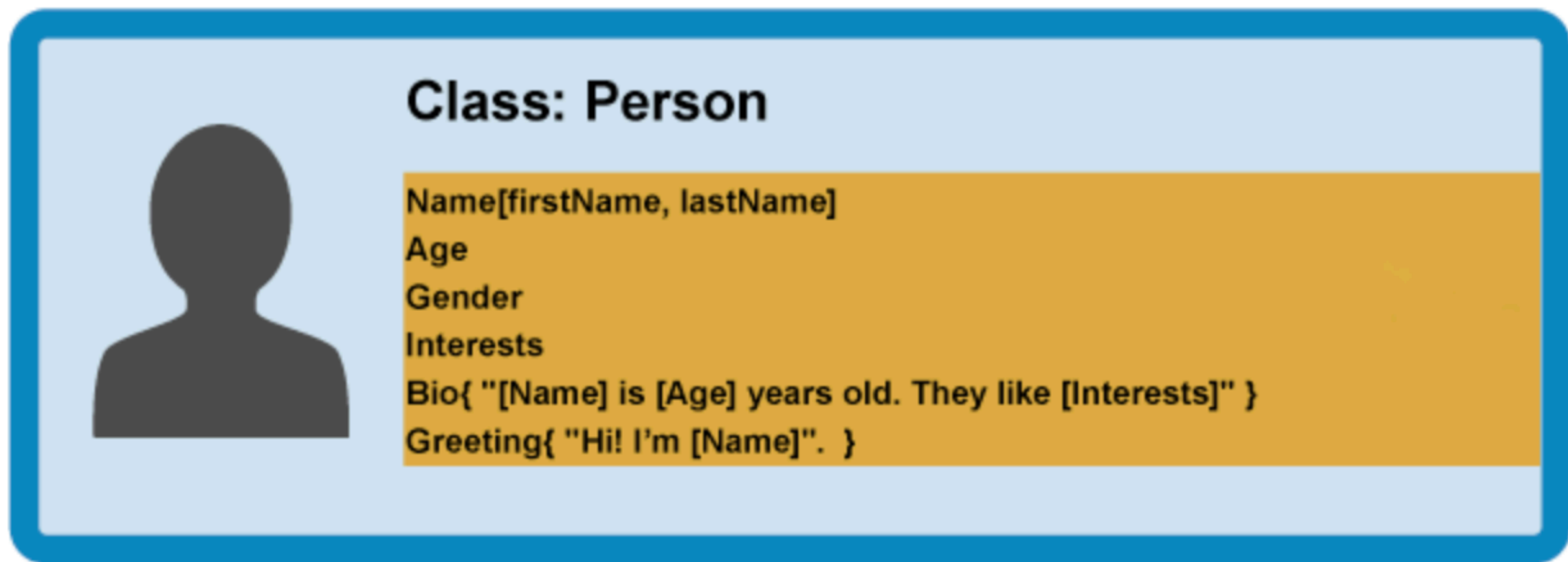
A word cloud illustrating concepts related to Object-Oriented Programming (OOP). The central and largest word is "objects" in green. Other prominent words include "methods" in teal, "instantiation" in brown, "variables" in green, and "functionality" in blue. Smaller words scattered around include "polymorphism" (purple), "proper" (blue), "easy" (teal), "capsule" (blue), "properties" (brown), "organized" (green), "program" (green), "using" (blue), "classes" (green), "working" (blue), "structures" (green), "data" (brown), "object" (purple), and "inheritance" (green).

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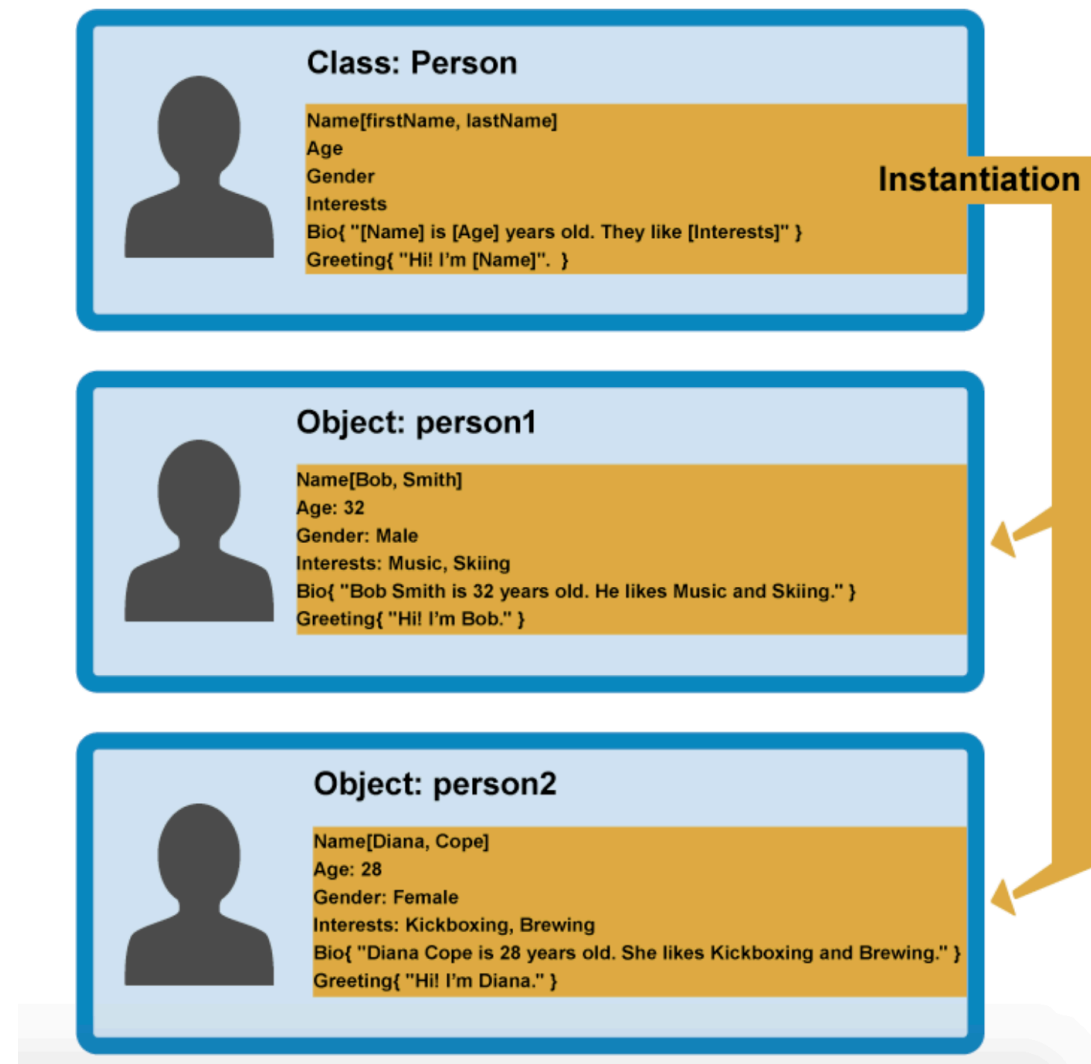
LET'S TALK ABOUT OOP

- ▶ we use objects to **model** real world things in our programs/ provide easy access to **functionality**
- ▶ objects contain related data and code which **represent info or functionality**
- ▶ our object is a **nice, neat package** for our data and functionality that is easy to access

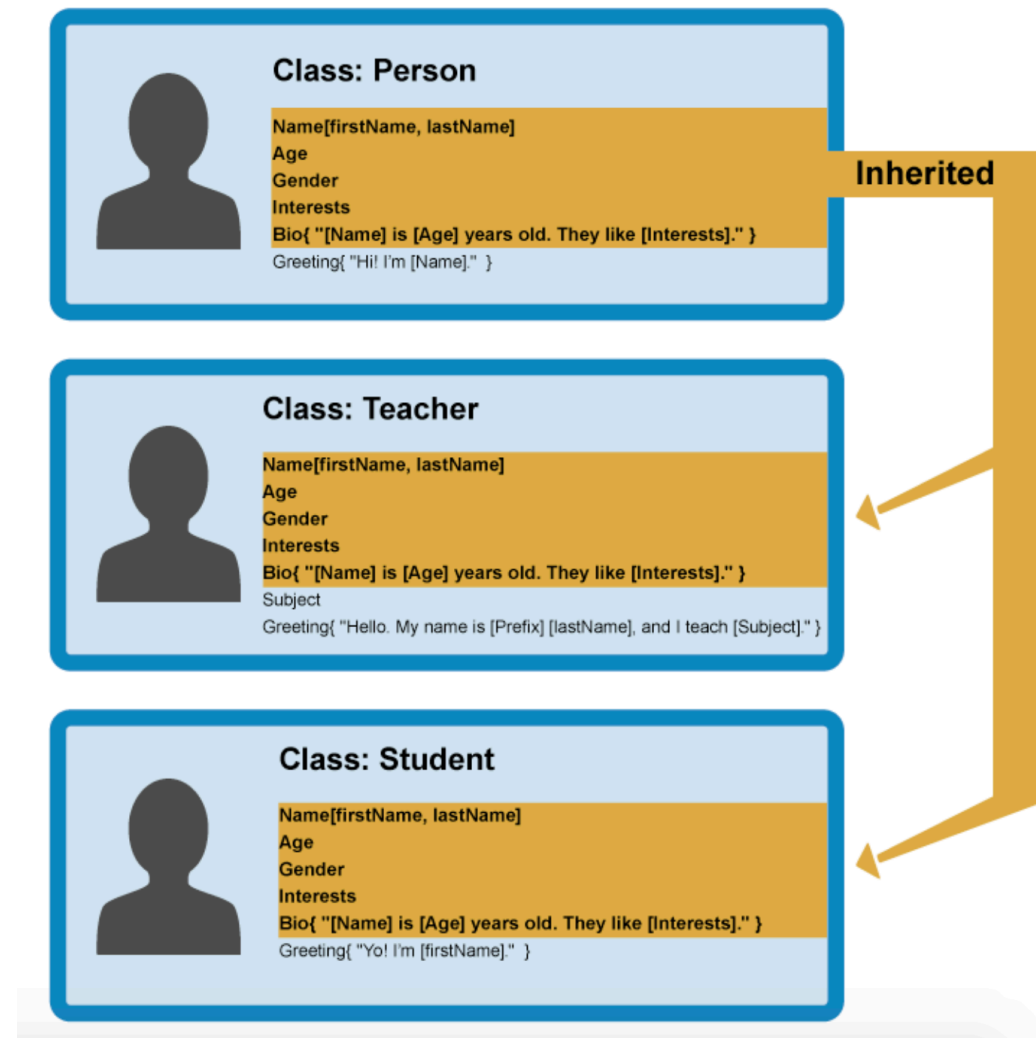
DEFINING AN OBJECT TEMPLATE (CLASS)



CREATING ACTUAL OBJECTS (INSTANTIATION)

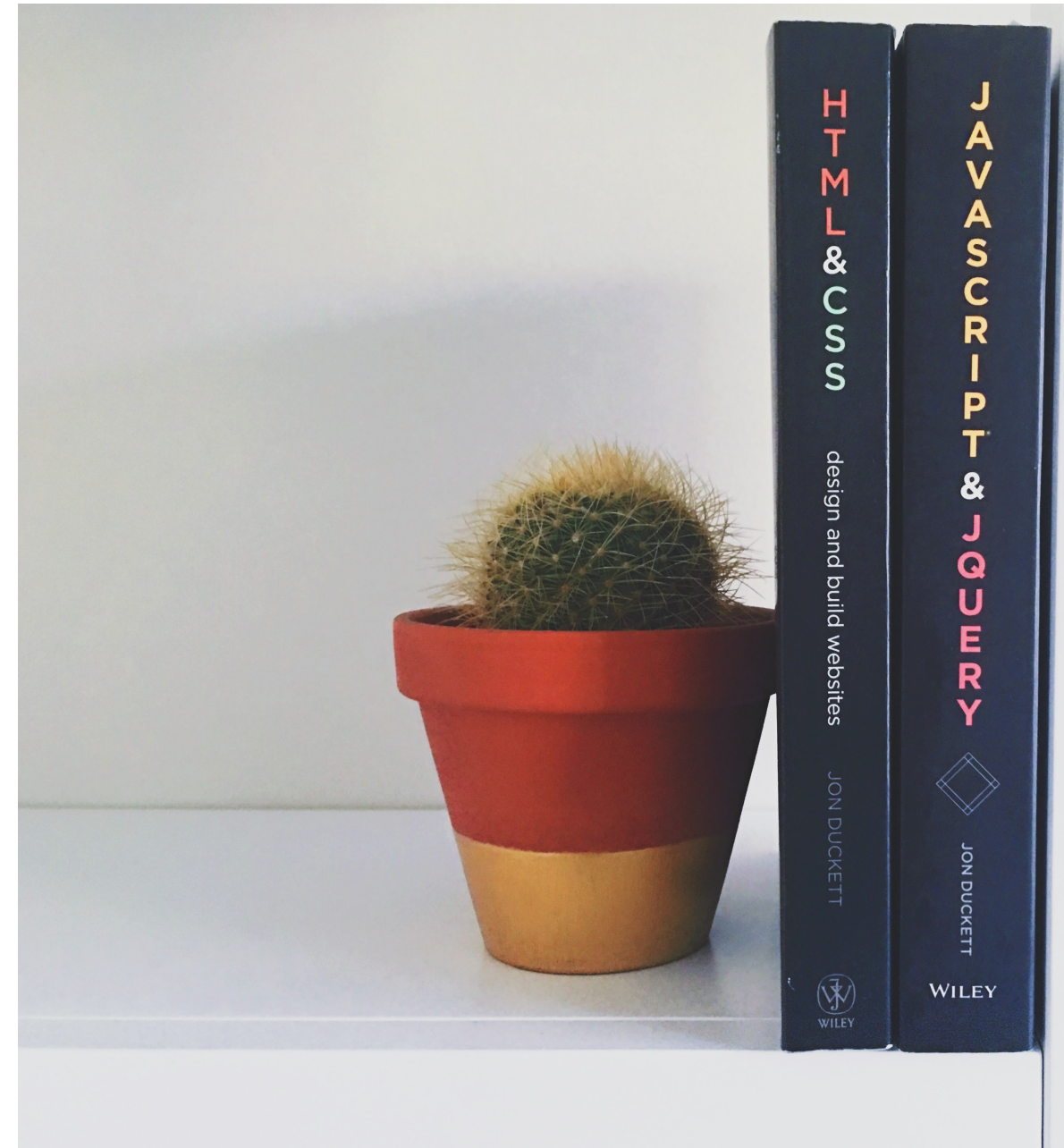


SPECIALIST CLASSES



!IMPORTANT OOP CONCEPTS

- ▶ **Abstraction** : creating a simple model of a more complex thing
- ▶ **Encapsulation** : our object becomes a container or capsule for properties and methods
- ▶ **Instantiation**: creating an object instance from a class
- ▶ **Polymorphism**: the ability for multiple objects to implement the same functionality



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OOP + JS = OOJS

LET'S EXPLORE CREATING CLASSES VIA CONSTRUCTORS & CREATING OBJECT INSTANCES

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Example 01

METHOD ONE : USING A PLAIN OL' FUNCTION

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

1. defining a **function** called createNewCat with a parameter called name
2. inside the function, we're creating an **empty object**
3. **adding members** to our object
4. **returning the object** so we can use it outside the function
5. call the function to create a **new instance of this object**

COOL, BUT...

we have to create an empty object each time and return, which is **not as efficient** (or cool) as we would like...

METHOD TWO :
USING A CONSTRUCTOR
FUNCTION

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

1. creating a class using a **constructor function**
2. creating **properties and methods**
3. **instantiating new instances of this object** with the **new** keyword and calling the constructor function with the required arguments
4. to access object instances, use the object **namespace**

```
function Cat(name) {  
  //capitalize your function name to show that it's a  
  constructor function  
  this.name = name; //new keyword, who dis?  
  this.greeting = function() {  
    let newPara = document.createElement('p');  
    newPara.textContent = 'Meow there! I am ' + name +  
      ' .';  
    main.appendChild(newPara);  
  };  
}
```

CONSTRUCTOR FUNCTIONS

The **constructor function** allows us to create a class. It's pretty much like a standard function, except we aren't creating an empty object or returning it.

CONSTRUCTOR FUNCTIONS

Constructors help to give our code **order**. We can create constructors in one place, then **create object instances** when we need them.

COOL, BUT...

- one **small drawback** is that every time we call our constructor function, we are defining `greeting()` every time
- Don't worry, we'll improve on this when we talk about **prototypes and inheritance**.

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NOT 'THIS', AGAIN!

WHAT IS THIS?

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=2qMKjWf1KdE&t=74s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2qMKjWf1KdE&t=74s)

WHAT IS 'THIS'

- ▶ this keyword is often used inside of functions and objects
- ▶ where it's declared alters it's meaning
- ▶ always refers to one object, usually the object in which the function operates

WHAT DOES THIS
REPRESENT IN
DIFFERENT CONTEXTS ?

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Example 02

A person wearing a brown cap and a plaid shirt is sitting at a desk, looking at a computer monitor. The person's hand is resting on their chin, suggesting a thoughtful or focused state. The desk also has a laptop, a smartphone, and some headphones. In the background, there is a bookshelf with books and a decorative infinity symbol on the wall.

OTHER WAYS TO CREATE OBJECT INSTANCES

OTHER WAYS TO CREATE OBJECT INSTANCE – OBJECT CONSTRUCTOR

- ▶ object constructor
- ▶ pass object literal to object constructor

OTHER WAYS TO CREATE OBJECT INSTANCE – CREATE METHOD

- ▶ can create object instances without first creating constructor
- ▶ Built-in create method
- ▶ create new object based on existing object

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Example 03

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RECAP & NEXT WEEK

OOP

- ▶ we use objects to **model** real world things in our programs/ provide easy access to **functionality**
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- ▶ We can create define object templates using a **constructor function** (like a class in JS)
- ▶ **'this'** represents different things according to context.

NEXT WEEK –

**PROTOTYPES & INHERITANCE, A
CLASSIER WAY & JSON**

THANKS TO (SOURCES):

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/JavaScript/Objects/Object-oriented_JS

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/JavaScript/Objects/Object_prototypes