

1 More JavaScript

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JavaScript and OOP

- Values of the type object are arbitrary collections of properties, and we can add or remove these properties as one pleases
- An object can be created in various ways:
 - Bracketed notation:
 - ```
var day = {
 squirrel: false,
 events: ["work", "touched tree", "pizza",
 "running", "television"]
};
```
  - The classical way:

```
var day = new Object;
day.squirrel = false;
```
  - ...

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## JavaScript and OOP

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- JavaScript is not an *really* object oriented programming language
  - Does not support data abstraction in the form of Classes
  - There is no support for data protection

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## User Defined Objects

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```
Incr = new Object();
Incr.count = 0;
Incr.increment = function(inc) {
 if (inc == undefined) {
 inc = 1;
 }
 this.count += inc;
 return this.count;
}
```

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## User-defined objects

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- You may add, remove, or alter your object's properties and methods at any time:
- The syntax for changing the value of a property is:  
`object.property = expression`
  - ▣ **object** is the JavaScript name of the object you want to manipulate
  - ▣ **property** is a property of that object
  - ▣ **expression** is a JavaScript expression that assigns a value to the property

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## Constructor

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```
function Rectangle(width, height) {
 this.width = width;
 this.height = height;
}
```

```
r = new Rectangle(26, 14);
```

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## Functions Can Have Properties

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```
function plus1(value) {
 if (plus1.invocations ==
 undefined) {
 plus1.invocations = 0;
 }
 plus1.invocations++;
 return value+1;
}
```

- More of this later!

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## On Curly Braces and Semicolons

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- Where should the curly braces of a function go:
  - ▣ Should be on the same line, or should it be on the next line?
- JavaScript automatically appends a `;` at the end of a line

```
function a()
{
 return
 {
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 };

function b()
{
 return
 {
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 };

console.log(a());
console.log(b());
```

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## On Curly Braces and Semicolons

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- Both functions return undefined!
- Why?

```
function a()
{
 return
 {
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 };

function b()
{
 return
 {
 course: "Web Programming"
 };

console.log(a());
console.log(b());
```

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## JavaScript Functions

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- A function is defined in JavaScript in a very similar to defining a variable
  - Define a function in JavaScript by either using the keyword `function` followed by the function name.
  - Create a variable and set it equal to a function
    - No name is defined after the function keyword
- So after either of these definitions you can now invoke, otherwise known as execute, function by referring to it by its name `compare`.

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```
function compare () {...}
```

Value of function assigned,  
NOT the returned result!

No name defined

```
var compare = function () {...}
```

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```
function compare (x, y) {
 return x > y;
}
```

```
function compare (x, y) {...}
var a = compare(4, 5);
compare(4, "a");
compare();
```

Both are legal!

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# Scope

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- Global
  - ▣ Variables and functions defined here are available everywhere
  - ▣ Variables and functions defined here are available only within this function

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# Scope Chain

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- Everything is executed in an **Execution Context**
- Function invocation creates a new Execution Context
- Each Execution Context has:
  - ▣ Its own *Variable Environment*
  - ▣ Special 'this' object
  - ▣ Reference to its *Outer Environment*
- Global scope does not have an *Outer Environment* as it's the most outer there is

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# Scope Chain

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- Referenced (not defined) variable will be searched for in its current scope first. If not found, the Outer Reference will be searched.
- If not found, the Outer Reference's Outer Reference will be searched, etc.
- This will keep going until the Global scope.
- If not found in Global scope, the variable is undefined.

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# What is the Value of x?

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**Global**

```
var x = 2;
A();
```

**Function A**

```
var x = 5;
B();
```

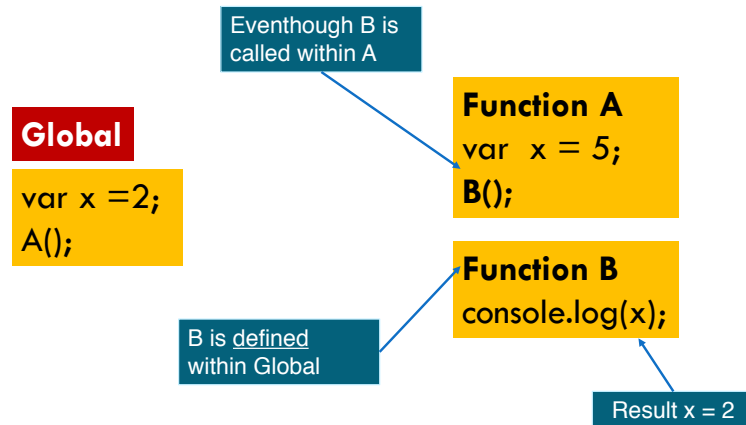
**Function B**

```
console.log(x);
```

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## What is the Value of x?

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## JavaScript Functions

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- Functions in JavaScript are what's called, first class data types
  - What that means is, is that whatever you could do with the variable, whatever you could do with an object you could also do with the function

**Functions in JavaScript are objects.**

- Function can be:
  - Passed around
  - Assigned it to a variable (we just saw this!)
  - Passed as an argument to another function
  - Returned as a return result from a function

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## Functions in JavaScript are Objects!

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- Functions in JavaScript are regular objects that have some special properties to them
  - Can set properties on them just like we set properties on objects

```
function multiply(x, y) {
 return x * y;
}
```

```
multiply.version = "v.1.0.0";
```

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## Function Factory

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**Functions in JavaScript are objects**

```
function multiply(x, y) {
 return x * y;
}
```

```
function makeMultiplier(multiplier) {
 var myFunc = function (x) {
 return multiplier * x;
 };
 return myFunc;
}
```

```
var MultiplyByFour = makeMultiplier(4); // What is the output?
```

```
MultiplyByFour(10); // How about this one?
```

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# Immediately Invoked Function Expression (IIFE)

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- Recall executing functions in JavaScript:

```
function compare (x, y)
{...};
...
compare(3,5);
```

```
var compare = function (x, y)
{...}
...
compare();
```

- But since a function is an Object:

```
(
 function (x, y) {...};
)(3,5);
```

- The function will be *immediately invoked!*
  - ▣ Produces a function object!