

JS Objects And Obj APIS

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Agenda

- Objects
- Prototypes
- Classes
- Writing to the DOM
- Event Bubbling

Object Prototypes

- A better way of using `Object.create()`
- Will force inheritance of properties from a parent
- Allows us to have functions across all functions

`ObjectName.prototype.methodName(){}`

Note: `ObjectName` is analogous to class name

All objects will now have that method available.

Object Prototypes

- Methods:
 - `Object.prototype.hasOwnProperty(prop)`
 - `prop` is a direct property (not inherited through the prototype chain)
 - `Object.prototype.isPrototypeOf(obj)`
 - `Object.prototype.toString()`
 - Returns a string representation of the object
 - `Object.prototype.valueOf()`
 - Returns the primitive value of the specified object
 - In ES6, `Symbol.toPrimitive` is a symbol that specifies a function valued property that is called to convert an object to a corresponding primitive value.

Object Constructors

- Rather than handwriting all values in an object, Javascript allows for Object Constructors

Ex:

```
function Person(first, last, age, eye) {  
  this.firstName = first;  
  this.lastName = last;  
  this.age = age;  
  this.eyeColor = eye;  
}
```

Classes in JavaScript

- Use keyword class
- Constructor is no longer using function, use constructor instead
- Methods can be defined with no other keywords necessary
- Not hoisted!

Let's create an Object!

What is `this`?

- Outside of any object, it refers to the global object window **or** is undefined (if you “use script”)
- Arrow functions do not have their own “this” - rather the this value of the enclosing lexical scope is used;
- When in an object, it refers to the current Object
 - Works the same as in Java
 - `This.data` to access a data field in your object
- **Caveat:** in JS functions form closures
 - Every function creates its own “this”
 - Can lead to unexpected behavior

Inheritance in JavaScript

- Classes *extend* each other
- References to the superclasses' methods and constructors must use the *super* keyword
- If the superclass is not created using *class*, you must link the prototypes!

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After today make sure you know how to:

- Create a symbol (and know it's use)
- Use and manipulate maps and sets
- Create Objects all 3 ways
- Create an object constructor
- Inheritance in ES6 syntax