

Chapter 5 - Arrays

Arrays are variables which can hold more than one value.

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

```
const a1 = [7, "Harry", false]
```

↳ can be different types

Accessing Values

```
let numbers = [1, 2, 7, 9]
```

numbers[0] → 1

numbers[1] → 2

Finding the length

```
let numbers = [1, 7, 9, 21]
```

numbers[0] → 1

numbers.length → 4

Changing the values

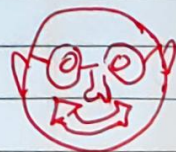
```
let numbers = [7, 2, 40, 9]
```

```
numbers[2] = 8
```

↳ "numbers" now becomes [7, 2, 8, 9]

Arrays are mutable

Arrays can be changed



In JavaScript, arrays are objects. The type of operator on arrays returns object

```
const n = [1, 7, 9]
```

typeof n → returns "object"

Arrays can hold many values under a single name

Array methods

There are some important array methods in JavaScript. Some of them are as follows:

1. toString() → Converts an array to a string of comma separated values

```
let n = [1, 7, 9]  
n.toString() → 1, 7, 9
```

2. join() → joins all the array elements using a separator

```
let n = [7, 9, 13]  
n.join("-") → 7-9-13
```

3. pop() → removes last element from the array

```
let n = [1, 2, 4]  
n.pop() → updates the original array  
returns the popped value
```


4. `push()` → Adds a new element at the end of the array

let `a = [7, 1, 2, 8]`

`a.push(9)` → modifies the original array
↳ returns the new array length

5. `shift()` → Removes first element and returns it

6. `unshift()` → Adds element to the beginning
Returns new array length

7. `delete` → Array elements can be deleted using the delete operator

let `d = [7, 8, 9, 10]`

`delete d[1]` → delete is an operator

8. `concat()` → Used to join arrays to the given array

let `a1 = [1, 2, 3]`

let `a2 = [4, 5, 6]`

let `a3 = [9, 8, 7]`

`a1.concat(a2, a3)` → Returns `[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 8, 7]`

↓
Returns a new array
Does not change existing arrays

9> `Sort()` → `sort()` method is used to sort an array alphabetically.

let `a = [7, 9, 8]`
`a.sort()`

↳ `a` changes to `[7, 8, 9]`
 [modifies the original array]

`Sort()` takes an optional compare function. If this function is provided as the first argument, the `Sort()` function will consider these values (the values returned from the compare function) as the basis of sorting.

10> `splice()` → `splice` can be used to add new items to an array

const `numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]`
`numbers.splice(2, 1, 23, 24)`

Returns deleted items, modifies the Array

position to add

No of elements to remove

Elements to be added

11> `slice()` → slices out a piece from an array. It creates a new array

const `num = [1, 2, 3, 4]`

`num.slice(2)` → `[3, 4]`

`num.slice(1, 3)` → `[2, 3]`

12. `reverse()` → Reverses the elements in the source array.

Looping through Arrays

Arrays can be looped through using the classical JavaScript `for` loop or through some other methods discussed below

1. `forEach` loop → calls a function, once for each array element

```
const a = [1, 2, 3]
a.forEach((value, index, array) => {
  // function logic
});
```

2. `map()` → creates a new array by performing some operation on each array element.

```
const a = [1, 2, 3]
a.map((value, index, array) => {
  return value * value;
});
```

3. `filter()` → Filters an array with values that passes a test. Creates a new array

```
const a = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
a.filter(greater-than-5)
```

4, reduce method → Reduces an array to a single value

const n = [1, 8, 7, 11]
let sum = numbers.reduce(add)
 ↓
 1+8+7+11 ↳ A function

5, Array.from → Used to create an array from any other object

Array.from("Harry")

6, for... of → For-of loop can be used to get the values from an array

7, for... in → for-in loop can be used to get the keys from an array.