



# JAVASCRIPT

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# JavaScript

JavaScript is used to create client-side dynamic pages. JavaScript is an object-based scripting language which is lightweight and cross-platform. JavaScript is not a compiled language, but it is a translated language. The JavaScript Translator is responsible for translating the JavaScript code for the web browser.

What is JavaScript?

JavaScript is a light-weight object-oriented programming language which is used by several websites for scripting the webpages. It is an interpreted, full-fledged programming language that enables dynamic interactivity on websites when applied to an HTML document. JavaScript has no connectivity with Java programming language. The name was suggested and provided in the times when Java was gaining popularity in the market. In addition to web browsers, databases such as Couch DB and Mongo DB use JavaScript as their scripting and query language.

Features of JavaScript

1. All popular web browsers support JavaScript as they provide built-in execution environments.
2. JavaScript follows the syntax and structure of the C programming language. Thus, it is a structured programming language.



3. JavaScript is a weakly typed language, where certain types are implicitly cast.
4. JavaScript is an object-oriented programming language, where it is also used as prototypes rather than using classes for inheritance.
5. It is a lightweight and interpreted language.
6. It is a case-sensitive language.
7. JavaScript is supportable in several operating systems including Windows, macOS, etc.
8. It provides good control to the users over the web browsers.

### History Of JavaScript

In 1993, Mosaic, the first popular web browser, came into existence. In the year 1994, Netscape was founded by Marc Andreessen. He realized that the web needed to become more dynamic. Thus, a 'glue language' was believed to be provided to HTML to make web designing easy for designers and part-time programmers. Consequently, in 1995, the company recruited Brendan Eich intending to implement and embed Scheme programming language to the browser. But before Brendan could start, the company merged with Sun Microsystems for adding Java into its Navigator so that it could compete with Microsoft over the web technologies and platforms. Now, two languages were there: Java and the scripting language. Further, Netscape decided to give a similar name to the scripting language as Java's. It led to 'JavaScript'.