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Coding Bootcamp

Lesson 14

Web Design and Development Fundamentals (Front End)

Objectives JavaScript Functions Object Prototypes Exception Handling Document Object Model JavaScript Events Syllabus Items: 4.6.1 Code in JavaScript, variables, functions 4.6.2 Code using advance java script: if conditions, loops



Syllabus

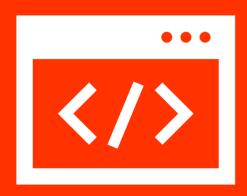
Category	Topic	Task
FSD_4 Web Design and	JavaScript/ jQuery	4.6.1 Code in JavaScript, variables, functions
		4.6.2 Code using advance java script: if conditions, loops
Developme nt		4.6.3 Improve usability of forms, validate data from the user
Fundament als (Front- End)		



Contents | Learning Objectives

- ✓ Introduction to JavaScript
- ✓ Client-Side Scripting
- ✓ Language Syntax
- Variables
- ✓ Strings
- ✓ Numbers
- Booleans
- Operators
- Conditionals
- ✓ Loops
- ✓ Arrays
- Objects

- Understand the Document Object Model and the selection process
- Familiarize with the JavaScript events
- Understand the JSON and XML model
- Learn how to validate the form data



The Document Object Model (DOM) – Part II



Do you remember what DOM is?

Definition:

The Document Object Model (DOM) is a programming interface for HTML.

- It provides a structured representation of the document (e.g. a web page) as a tree.
- It defines methods that allow access to the tree, so that they can change the document structure, style and content.
- · JavaScript is almost always used to interact with the HTML document in which it is contained
- This is accomplished through a programming interface (API) called the Document Object Model
- According to the W3C, the DOM is a:
 Platform- and language-neutral interface that will allow programs and scripts to dynamically access and update the content, structure and style of documents.

style

Definition: The style property is used to get or set a specific style of an element using different CSS properties.

- The style property returns a CSSStyleDeclaration object, which represents an element's style attribute.
- It is not possible to set styles by assigning a string to the style property, e.g. element.style = "color: red;". To set the style of an element, append a "CSS" property to style and specify a value
- Examples

```
document.getElementById("myH1").style.color = "red";
// set the background color of an element to red
element.style.backgroundColor = "red";
// get the first <style> element
var x = document.getElementsByTagName("STYLE")[0];
```

write Method

Definition: The write() method writes HTML expressions or JavaScript code to a document.

- The write() method is mostly used for testing: If it is used after an HTML document is fully loaded, it will delete all existing HTML.
- Note: When this method is not used for testing, it is often used to write some text to an output stream opened by the document.open() method.
- The document.writeln() method is similar to write(), only it adds a newline character after each statement.
- Example

document.write("<h1>Hello World!</h1>Have a nice day!");

Source: https://www.w3schools.com/jsref/prop_html_style.asp



Screen width and height Property

• The width property returns the total width of the user's screen, in pixels.

```
var x = "Total Width: " + screen.width;
```

The height property to get the total height of the user's screen.

```
var x = "Total Width: " + screen.height;
```

- Similar Properties:
 - availHeight. The availHeight property returns the height of the user's screen, in pixels, minus interface features like the Windows Taskbar.
 - availWidth. The availWidth property returns the width of the user's screen, in pixels, minus interface features like the Windows Taskbar.



childNodes Property

- The childNodes property returns a collection of a node's child nodes, as a NodeList object.
- The nodes in the collection are sorted as they appear in the source code and can be accessed by index numbers. The index starts at 0.
- Whitespace inside elements is considered as text, and text is considered as nodes. Comments are also considered as nodes.
- We can use the length property of the NodeList object to determine the number of child nodes, then we can loop through all child nodes and extract the info you want.
- This property is read-only.
- To return a collection of a node's element nodes (excluding text and comment nodes), use the children property.
- element.childNodes[0] will produce the same result as the firstChild property.

children Property

- The children property returns a collection of an element's child elements, as an HTMLCollection object.
- The elements in the collection are sorted as they appear in the source code and can be accessed by index numbers. The index starts at 0.
- The difference between this property and childNodes, is that childNodes contain all nodes, including text nodes and comment nodes, while children only contain element nodes.



childNodes vs children Property

- Understand that .children is a property of an Element. Only Elements have .children, and these children are all of type Element.
- However, .childNodes is a property of Node. .childNodes can contain any node.
- A concrete example:

```
let el = document.createElement("div");
el.textContent = "foo";
el.childNodes.length === 1; // Contains a Text node child.
el.children.length === 0; // No Element children.
```

 Most of the time, we want to use children because generally we don't want to loop over Text or Comment nodes in our DOM manipulation.



Class Exercises/Discussions

#1

Consider the following HTML code

```
<body>

AAA
BBB
CCC
DDD
EEE

</body>
```

- Access the second list element
- Change second's element color
- Add FFF element in list before EEE

#2

Create HTML table dynamically



Handling Attributes

- **getAttribute()** method returns the value of the attribute with the specified name, of an element. var x = document.getElementsByTagName("H1")[0].getAttribute("class");
- getAttributeNode() method returns the attribute node with the specified name of an element, as an Attr object.

```
var elmnt = document.getElementsByTagName("H1")[0];
var attr = elmnt.getAttributeNode("class").value;
```

- hasAttribute() method returns true if the specified attribute exists, otherwise it returns false
 var x = document.getElementById("myBtn").hasAttribute("onclick");
- hasAttributes() method returns true if the specified node has any attributes, otherwise false. If the specified node is not an Element node, the return value is always false.

```
var x = document.body.hasAttributes()
```

• setAttribute() method adds the specified attribute to an element, and gives it the specified value. If the specified attribute already exists, only the value is set/changed. Although it is possible to add the style attribute with a value to an element with this method, it is recommended that you use properties of the Style object instead for inline styling, because this will not overwrite other CSS properties that may be specified in the style attribute.

document.getElementsByTagName("H1")[0].setAttribute("class", "democlass");

• setAttributeNode() method adds the specified attribute node to an element. If the specified attribute already exists, this method replaces it. The return value of this method is an Attr object

```
// Get the first <h1> element in the document
var h1 = document.getElementsByTagName("H1")[0];
// Create a "class" attribute
var att = document.createAttribute("class");
// Set the value of the class attribute
att.value = "democlass";
// Add the class attribute to <h1>
h1.setAttributeNode(att);
```

Source: https://www.w3schools.com/jsref/prop_node_attributes.asp



Custom attributes

- Custom data attributes are intended to store custom data private to the page or application, for which there are no more appropriate attributes or elements.
- These attributes are not intended for use by software that is independent of the site that uses the attributes.
- Every HTML element may have any number of custom data attributes specified, with any value.
- Prefixing the custom attributes with data- ensures that they will be completely ignored by the
 user agent. As far as the browser and indeed the website's end user are concerned, this data
 does not exist.

usage

- To store the initial height or opacity of an element which might be required in later JavaScript animation calculations
- To store parameters for external data loaded via JavaScript
- To store custom web analytics tagging data
- To store data about the health, ammo, or lives of an element in a JavaScript game
- To power accessible JavaScript <video> subtitles

Example

```
<div id="product1" data-product-category="clothing">
    Cotton Shirt
</div>
```



Custom attributes Example

html



Class Exercise/Discussion #3

Consider the following supermarket's product list

```
    Tomatoes
    Bananas
    Peppers
    Pork
    Onions
    Chicken
    Apples
```

- Use different color for each category(vegetables, fruits, meat)
- On click get element value



Popups and window methods

- A popup window is one of the oldest methods to show additional document to user.
 window.open('https://www.peoplecert.org')
- ...And it will open a new window with given URL. Most modern browsers are configured to open new tabs instead of separate windows.
- Popups exist from really ancient times. The initial idea was to show another content without closing the main window. As of now, there are other ways to do that: we can load content dynamically with fetch and show it in a dynamically generated <div>. So, popups is not something we use everyday.
- Also, popups are tricky on mobile devices, that don't show multiple windows simultaneously.
- Still, there are tasks where popups are still used because:
 - A popup is a separate window with its own independent JavaScript environment. So opening a popup with a third-party non-trusted site is safe.
 - It's very easy to open a popup.
 - A popup can navigate (change URL) and send messages to the opener window.



window.open

- The syntax to open a popup is: window.open(url, name, params):
- url: An URL to load into the new window.
- Name: A name of the new window. Each window has a window.name, and here we can specify which window to use for the popup. If there's already a window with such name the given URL opens in it, otherwise a new window is opened.
- Params: The configuration string for the new window. It contains settings, delimited by a comma. There must be no spaces in params, for instance: width:200, height=100.
- Settings for params:
 - Position:
 - left/top (numeric) coordinates of the window top-left corner on the screen. There is a limitation: a new window cannot be positioned offscreen.
 - width/height (numeric) width and height of a new window. There is a limit on minimal width/height, so it's impossible to create an invisible window.
 - Window features:
 - menubar (yes/no) shows or hides the browser menu on the new window.
 - toolbar (yes/no) shows or hides the browser navigation bar (back, forward, reload etc)
 on the new window.
 - location (yes/no) shows or hides the URL field in the new window. FF and IE don't allow to hide it by default.
 - status (yes/no) shows or hides the status bar. Again, most browsers force it to show.
 - resizable (yes/no) allows to disable the resize for the new window. Not recommended.
 - scrollbars (yes/no) allows to disable the scrollbars for the new window. Not recommended.

Source: https://javascript.info/popup-windows



Window Example

```
<script>
function myFunction() {
  var w = window.open();
  w.document.open();
  w.document.write("<h1>Hello World!</h1>");
  w.document.close();
}
</script>
```

Popup Example

```
<script>
function myFunction() {
  let myWindow = window.open("", "", "width=200,height=100");
  myWindow.document.write("Hello, world!")
}
</script>
```



Enable/Disable – Show/Hide Example

Disable and enable, using buttons, a dropdown list and show-hide the buttons

```
function disable() {
 document.getElementById("mySelect").disabled=true;
 document.getElementById("disbtn").style.display = "none";
 document.getElementById("enbtn").style.display = "block";
function enable() {
 document.getElementById("mySelect").disabled=false;
 document.getElementById("disbtn").style.display = "block";
 document.getElementById("enbtn").style.display = "none";
<form>
<select id="mySelect">
 <option>Apple</option>
 <option>Pear</option>
 <option>Banana
 <option>Orange</option>
</select>
<br><br><
<input type="button" onclick="disable()" id="disbtn" value="Disable list">
<input type="button" onclick="enable()" id="enbtn" style="display:none;" value="Enable list">
</form>
```



Change img Source - Example

Add 2 buttons and with javascript change image source



Differences between textContent/innerText/innerHTML(1)

textContent

- If the node is a document or a Doctype, textContent returns null.
- If the node is a CDATA section, comment, processing instruction, or text node, textContent returns the text inside the node, i.e., the Node.nodeValue.
- For other node types, textContent returns the concatenation of the textContent of every child node, excluding comments and processing instructions. (This is an empty string if the node has no children.)
- textContent uses straight text, does not parse HTML, and is faster.

innerText

- textContent gets the content of all elements, including <script> and <style> elements. In contrast, innerText only shows "human-readable" elements.
- textContent returns every element in the node. In contrast, innerText is aware of styling and won't return the text of "hidden" elements.
- Moreover, since innerText takes CSS styles into account, reading the value of innerText triggers a
 reflow to ensure up-to-date computed styles. (Reflows can be computationally expensive, and thus
 should be avoided when possible.)
- Unlike textContent, altering innerText in Internet Explorer (version 11 and below) removes child
 nodes from the element and permanently destroys all descendant text nodes. It is impossible to
 insert the nodes again into any other element or into the same element after doing so.

innerHTML

- Element.innerHTML returns HTML, as its name indicates. Sometimes people use innerHTML to retrieve or write text inside an element, but textContent has better performance because its value is not parsed as HTML.
- Moreover, using textContent can prevent XSS attacks.
- innerHTML parses content as HTML, so it takes longer.



outerHTML

- The outerHTML attribute of the element DOM interface gets the serialized HTML fragment describing the element including its descendants. It can be set to replace the element with nodes parsed from the given string.
- innerHTML vs. outerHTML :
 - outerHTML targets self, so it also destroy/replaces the container (self) in the process when being replaced. innerHTML replaces all the children, and does not destroy the container (self). If we have an event handler added to an element which we use innerHTML on, the event handler will not be destroyed. It will continue to work, since the element is still there
- Example

```
<h1>outerHTML</h1>
<button onclick="myFunction()">Change Header</button>

<script>
function myFunction() {
  var x = document.getElementsByTagName("h1")[0];
  x.outerHTML = "<h3>Change the entire h1 element and it's content!</h3>";
}
</script>
```



Focus and Blur Methods

- The blur() method is used to remove focus from an element.
- Use the focus() method to give focus to an element.
- Example

```
<input type="text" id="myText" value="A text field">
<button type="button" onclick="getFocus()">Get focus</button>
<button type="button" onclick="loseFocus()">Lose focus</button>
<script>
function getFocus() {
   document.getElementById("myText").focus();
}

function loseFocus() {
   document.getElementById("myText").blur();
}
</script>
```



Time Methods

setInterval

- setInterval() method calls a function or evaluates an expression at specified intervals (in milliseconds).
- setInterval() method will continue calling the function until clearInterval() is called, or the window is closed.
- The ID value returned by setInterval() is used as the parameter for the clearInterval()
 method.

Example: setInterval(function(){ alert("Hello"); }, 3000); // Alerts Hello every 3 seconds

clearInterval

- The clearInterval() method clears a timer set with the setInterval() method.
- The ID value returned by setInterval() is used as the parameter for the clearInterval() method.

setTimeout

 setTimeout() method calls a function or evaluates an expression after a specified number of milliseconds



Class Exercise/Discussion #4

- Create a clock
- Raise an alert with message after 5 seconds



Cookies

- What are Cookies?
 - Cookies are data, stored in small text files, on your computer.
 - When a web server has sent a web page to a browser, the connection is shut down, and the server forgets everything about the user.
 - Cookies were invented to solve the problem "how to remember information about the user":
 - When a user visits a web page, his/her name can be stored in a cookie.
 - Next time the user visits the page, the cookie "remembers" his/her name.

Cookie with JavaScript

- JavaScript can create, read, and delete cookies with the document.cookie property.
- With JavaScript, a cookie can be created like this:

```
document.cookie = "username=John Doe";
```

 We can also add an expiry date (in UTC time). By default, the cookie is deleted when the browser is closed:

```
document.cookie = "username=John Doe; expires=Thu, 18 Dec 2013 12:00:00 UTC";
```

• With a path parameter, we can tell the browser what path the cookie belongs to. By default, the cookie belongs to the current page.

```
document.cookie = "username=John Doe; expires=Thu, 18 Dec 2013 12:00:00 UTC; path=/";
```



JavaScript Cookie - Examples

Function to Set a Cookie

```
function setCookie(cname, cvalue, exdays) {
  var d = new Date();
  d.setTime(d.getTime() + (exdays*24*60*60*1000));
  var expires = "expires="+ d.toUTCString();
  document.cookie = cname + "=" + cvalue + ";" + expires + ";path=/";
}
```

Function to Get a Cookie

```
function getCookie(cname) {
  var name = cname + "=";
  var decodedCookie = decodeURIComponent(document.cookie);
  var ca = decodedCookie.split(';');
  for(var i = 0; i <ca.length; i++) {
    var c = ca[i];
    while (c.charAt(0) == ' ') {
        c = c.substring(1);
    }
    if (c.indexOf(name) == 0) {
        return c.substring(name.length, c.length);
    }
  }
  return "";
}</pre>
```

Source: https://www.w3schools.com/js/js_cookies.asp



Read and Write File

- Files can be read and written by using java script functions: fopen(),fread() and fwrite().
- The function fopen() takes two parameters 1. Path and 2. Mode (0 for reading and 3 for writing). The fopen() function returns -1, if the file is successfully opened.

```
file=fopen(getScriptPath(),0);
```

• The function fread() is used for reading the file content.

```
str = fread(file,flength(file);
```

The function fwrite() is used to write the contents to the file.

```
file = fopen("c:\MyFile.txt", 3);// opens the file for writing fwrite(file, str);// str is the content that is to be written into the file.
```

JavaScript animations

- JavaScript animations can handle things that CSS can't.
- For instance, moving along a complex path, with a timing function different from Bezier curves, or an animation on a canvas.
- An animation can be implemented as a sequence of frames usually small changes to HTML/CSS properties.
- For instance, changing style.left from 0px to 100px moves the element. And if we increase it in setInterval, changing by 2px with a tiny delay, like 50 times per second, then it looks smooth. That's the same principle as in the cinema: 24 frames per second is enough to make it look smooth.



Class Exercises/Discussions

#1

Create an Animation Using JavaScript

#2

• Create a loader in the middle of the page and show "page content" after 5 seconds



It is time for a Knowledge Check!



Sample Questions

```
#1 innerHTML content is refreshed every time and thus is
      faster
A.
B.
      slower
C.
      better
D.
      Heavy
#2 Consider the Javascript
                                    <script type="text/javascript">
code to the right.
                                         function addNode() { var newP = document.createElement("p");
How many elements adds?
                                         var textNode = document.createTextNode("some Text");
Α.
                                        newP.appendChild(textNode);
       2
B.
                                         document.getElementById("firstP").appendChild(newP); }
C.
                                     </script>
       none
D.
       Has a syntax error
#3 What is the correct JavaScript syntax to change the content of the HTML element below?
This is a demonstration.
       document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = "Hello World!";
A.
       document.getElementByName("p").innerHTML = "Hello World!";
В.
      #demo.innerHTML = "Hello World!";
C.
       document.getElement("p").innerHTML = "Hello World!";
D.
```



Class Exercise/Discussion #7

- Consider the following object
 - employee={first:"John", last:"Doe", department:"Accounts"};
- Use a for/in to loop through the properties of an object



Any Questions?



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