

Below is a **clean, corrected, internally accurate, exam-ready, and conceptually deep** rewrite of JavaScript **Window Events vs Document Events**, aligned with how browsers **actually work internally**.

I've removed misleading parts (like excessive alerts on scroll/resize), clarified **load vs DOMContentLoaded**, and explained **why & when** to use each.

JavaScript Window Events vs Document Events

(Deep + Internal + Practical)

1 What Are Window Events?

Window events are events that occur at the **browser window level**.

They are associated with the `window` **object**, which represents the **entire browser viewport**, not individual HTML elements.

Exam Definition

Window events are JavaScript events triggered by actions that affect the browser window as a whole, such as loading, resizing, scrolling, or closing the page.

2 Internal Working: How Window Events Fire 🧠

When a page is opened:

pgsql

Browser creates `window` object



HTML parsing begins




DOM constructed



External resources **load** (CSS, images, fonts)



`window` events fire (`load`, `resize`, `scroll`)

 Window events **do not belong to elements**

 They describe **global browser state**

3 Most Common Window Events

Event	When It Fires	Key Use
<code>load</code>	Page + all resources loaded	Final initialization
<code>beforeunload</code>	Just before leaving page	Warnings, confirmations

Event	When It Fires	Key Use
<code>unload</code>	Page is unloading	Cleanup (limited use)
<code>resize</code>	Window size changes	Responsive logic
<code>scroll</code>	Page is scrolled	Lazy loading, effects

4 `load` Event (Very Important ⚠️)

What It Means

- Fires **after**:
 - HTML parsed
 - CSS loaded
 - Images loaded
 - Fonts loaded
- **Slowest** lifecycle event

Example

```
html

<script>

window.addEventListener("load", () => {
  console.log("Page fully loaded");
});

</script>
```

When to Use

- ✓ Measuring layout sizes
- ✓ Canvas rendering
- ✓ Image-dependent logic
- ✗ Avoid for normal DOM access

5 `resize` Event — Viewport Changes

Triggered whenever:

- Window resized
- Orientation changes (mobile)

⚠️ Important Performance Rule

Resize fires **many times per second**

👉 Always throttle or debounce in real apps

Example

```
js

window.addEventListener("resize", () => {
  console.log(window.innerWidth, window.innerHeight);
});
```

6 scroll Event — User Scrolling

Triggered when user scrolls the document.

Common Uses

- Infinite scrolling
- Lazy image loading
- Sticky headers
- Scroll animations

Example (Safe Version)

```
js

window.addEventListener("scroll", () => {
  if (window.scrollY > 300) {
    console.log("Scrolled down");
  }
});
```

📌 **Never use alert() in scroll** — it freezes UI

7 beforeunload Event — Exit Warning

Fires when:

- User refreshes
- User closes tab
- User navigates away

Example

```
js

window.addEventListener("beforeunload", (event) => {
  event.preventDefault();
});
```

```
event.returnValue = "";  
});
```

📌 Browser shows its **own message** (custom text ignored)

8 What Are Document Events?

Document events are events that occur **inside the HTML document**, related to:

- Elements
- User interaction
- DOM lifecycle

They are attached to the `document` **object**.

Exam Definition

Document events are DOM events that occur within the HTML document and allow JavaScript to respond to user interaction with page content.

9 DOMContentLoaded (EXTREMELY IMPORTANT ⚠️)

What It Means

- Fires when:
 - HTML fully parsed
 - DOM tree created
- **Does NOT wait** for images or CSS

Faster than `load`

Example

```
js  
  
document.addEventListener("DOMContentLoaded", () => {  
  console.log("DOM ready");  
});
```

Best Practice

✓ Use this instead of `load` for most scripts

🔥 `DOMContentLoaded` vs `load`

Feature	DOMContentLoaded	load
Waits for HTML	✓	✓

Feature	DOMContentLoaded	load
Waits for images	✗	✓
Speed	Fast	Slow
DOM access	✓	✓
Best practice	★★★	★

10 Common Document Events

Event	Trigger
click	Mouse click
submit	Form submission
keydown	Key pressed
keyup	Key released
change	Input changed
input	Typing occurs

1 1 Document Event Example (Clean)

```
html

<form id="form">
  <input id="name">
  <button>Submit</button>
</form>

<script>
document.addEventListener("DOMContentLoaded", () => {
  console.log("DOM loaded");
});

document.getElementById("form").addEventListener("submit", (e) => {
  e.preventDefault();
  console.log("Form submitted");
});
```

```
document.addEventListener("keydown", (e) => {
  console.log("Key:", e.key);
});
</script>
```

1 2 Window vs Document — Core Differences (EXAM GOLD)

Aspect	Window Events	Document Events
Scope	Entire browser	HTML document
Object	<code>window</code>	<code>document</code>
Concern	Browser state	Page content
Examples	load, resize	click, submit
DOM required	✗	✓

1 3 Event Flow Relationship

```
sql

User Action
↓
Document Event
↓
Event Bubbles
↓
Window
```

📌 Window events do not bubble up from elements

1 4 Common Mistakes ✗

- ✗ Using `load` instead of `DOMContentLoaded`
- ✗ Heavy logic inside scroll/resize
- ✗ Using alerts inside global events
- ✗ Confusing window & document scope

1 5 One-Line Interview Answers

Q: Difference between window and document events?

👉 Window controls browser state, document controls page content.

Q: Which is faster — load or DOMContentLoaded?

👉 DOMContentLoaded.

Q: Do window events bubble?

👉 No.

1 6 Key Takeaways ✓

- ✓ Window events = browser lifecycle
- ✓ Document events = DOM interaction
- ✓ Prefer DOMContentLoaded
- ✓ Throttle scroll & resize
- ✓ Use document for UI logic

▶▶ What Should We Do Next?

Best logical continuation:

- 1 Event Bubbling vs Capturing (Deep Internals)
- 2 Event Delegation (Real-world patterns)
- 3 preventDefault vs stopPropagation
- 4 Custom Events (Advanced JS)

👉 Type `next` and we continue step-by-step 🚀