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# JavaScript Promises

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*"I Promise a Result!"*

"Producing code" is code that can take some time

"Consuming code" is code that must wait for the result

A Promise is an Object that links Producing code and Consuming code

## JavaScript Promise Object

A Promise contains both the producing code and calls to the consuming code:

### Promise Syntax

```
let myPromise = new Promise(function(myResolve, myReject) {  
  // "Producing Code" (May take some time)  
  
  myResolve(); // when successful  
  myReject();  // when error  
});  
  
// "Consuming Code" (Must wait for a fulfilled Promise)  
myPromise.then(  
  function(value) { /* code if successful */ },  
  function(error) { /* code if some error */ }
```

```
function(error) { /* code if some error */ }  
);
```

When the producing code obtains the result, it should call one of the two callbacks:

| When    | Call                    |
|---------|-------------------------|
| Success | myResolve(result value) |
| Error   | myReject(error object)  |

## Promise Object Properties

A JavaScript Promise object can be:

- Pending
- Fulfilled
- Rejected

The Promise object supports two properties: **state** and **result**.

While a Promise object is "pending" (working), the result is undefined.

When a Promise object is "fulfilled", the result is a value.

When a Promise object is "rejected", the result is an error object.

| myPromise.state | myPromise.result |
|-----------------|------------------|
| "pending"       | undefined        |
| "fulfilled"     | a result value   |
| "rejected"      | an error object  |

You cannot access the Promise properties **state** and **result**.

You must use a Promise method to handle promises.

# Promise How To

Here is how to use a Promise:

```
myPromise.then(  
  function(value) { /* code if successful */ },  
  function(error) { /* code if some error */ }  
);
```

Promise.then() takes two arguments, a callback for success and another for failure.

Both are optional, so you can add a callback for success or failure only.

## Example

```
function myDisplayer(some) {  
  document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = some;  
}  
  
let myPromise = new Promise(function(myResolve, myReject) {  
  let x = 0;  
  
  // The producing code (this may take some time)  
  
  if (x == 0) {  
    myResolve("OK");  
  } else {  
    myReject("Error");  
  }  
});  
  
myPromise.then(  
  function(value) {myDisplayer(value);},  
  function(error) {myDisplayer(error);}  
);
```

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## JavaScript Promise Examples

To demonstrate the use of promises, we will use the callback examples from the previous chapter:

- Waiting for a Timeout
- Waiting for a File

## Waiting for a Timeout

### Example Using Callback

```
setTimeout(function() { myFunction("I love You !!!"); }, 3000);

function myFunction(value) {
  document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = value;
}
```

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## Example Using Promise

```
let myPromise = new Promise(function(myResolve, myReject) {
  setTimeout(function() { myResolve("I love You !!"); }, 3000);
});

myPromise.then(function(value) {
  document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML = value;
});
```

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## Waiting for a file

### Example using Callback

```
function getFile(myCallback) {
  let req = new XMLHttpRequest();
  req.open('GET', "mycar.html");
  req.onload = function() {
    if (req.status == 200) {
      myCallback(req.responseText);
    } else {
      myCallback("Error: " + req.status);
    }
  }
  req.send();
}

getFile(myDisplayer);
```

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### Example using Promise

```

let myPromise = new Promise(function(myResolve, myReject) {
  let req = new XMLHttpRequest();
  req.open('GET', "mycar.html");
  req.onload = function() {
    if (req.status == 200) {
      myResolve(req.response);
    } else {
      myReject("File not Found");
    }
  };
  req.send();
});

myPromise.then(
  function(value) {myDisplayer(value);},
  function(error) {myDisplayer(error);}
);





```

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## Browser Support

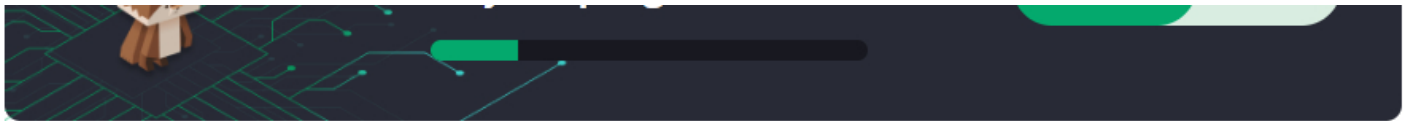
ECMAScript 2015, also known as ES6, introduced the JavaScript Promise object.

The following table defines the first browser version with full support for Promise objects:

|   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Chrome 33   | Edge 12   | Firefox 29  | Safari 7.1  | Opera 20  |
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