



LECTURE 20 — ACCESSING DOM ELEMENTS

FIRST-THOUGHT PRINCIPLE (DESI STYLE)

👉 DOM = ek joint family ka ped 

- **Parent** → Maa-Baap
- **Child** → Bachche
- **Sibling** → Bhai-Behen

⭐ Bilkul ghar ke rishton jaise hi DOM me bhi **Parent** → **Child** → **Sibling** relationship hota hai.

TEXT KO SAMJHNE KA DESI TRICK

- **innerHTML** → Kapde + jewellery + makeup 
 - **innerText** → Jo saamne dikh raha hai 
 - **textContent** → Andar ka sach bhi (hidden bhi) 
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EXAMPLE HTML (BASE STRUCTURE)

```
<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>

<head>
    <title>Access DOM</title>
</head>

<body>
    <h1 id="title" class="heading">Hello DOM</h1>
    <h1 class="heading">Second Heading</h1>

```

```
<h1>Third Heading</h1>

<p id="first">First Para</p>

<p>Second Para</p>

<ul id="list">
  <li>HTML</li>
  <li>CSS</li>
  <li>JavaScript</li>
</ul>

</body>

</html>
```

1. ACCESSING BY CSS SELECTORS

◆ (a) **querySelector()** — SINGLE ELEMENT

Definition

 CSS selector ke through **pehla matching element** return karta hai.

```
const h1 = document.querySelector('#title');

console.log(h1.innerHTML);
```

Output

Hello DOM

Important

- Chahe 100 matching ho
 - **Sirf pehla hi milega**
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◆ (b) querySelectorAll() — MULTIPLE ELEMENTS

Definition

- 👉 CSS selector se **saare matching elements** ka
- 👉 **static NodeList** return karta hai.

```
const allH1 = document.querySelectorAll('h1');
```

For Loop

```
for (let i = 0; i < allH1.length; i++) {  
    console.log(allH1[i].innerText);  
}
```

Output

```
Hello DOM  
Second Heading  
Third Heading
```

WHAT IS NODELIST?

Definition

- 👉 **NodeList** ek array-jaisi collection hoti hai
- 👉 Jo multiple DOM nodes ko store karti hai

```
NodeList(3) [  
 0: <h1 id="title">Hello DOM</h1>,  
 1: <h1>Second Heading</h1>,  
 2: <h1>Third Heading</h1>  
]
```

NODELIST ITERATION

forEach (Direct Support)

```
allH1.forEach(val => console.log(val.innerText));
```

for...of

```
for (let val of allH1) {  
    console.log(val.innerText);  
}
```

NodeList → Array Conversion (WHY?)

 map, filter directly nahi milte

 Convert karo:

```
const arr1 = Array.from(allH1);  
  
const arr2 = [...allH1];
```

2. ACCESSING BY TAG NAME

Definition

 Tag name jaise h1, p, li, div

```
let liItems = document.getElementsByTagName('li');
```

```
for (let i = 0; i < liItems.length; i++) {  
    liItems[i].style.color = "blue";  
}
```

Output

👉 Saare `` blue color me ho jayenge

⚠ Return Type

- **HTMLCollection (LIVE)**
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3. ACCESSING BY RELATIONSHIP

◆ (a) Parent & Child

```
const ul = document.getElementById('list');

console.log(ul.parentNode);
console.log(ul.children);
console.log(ul.childNodes);
```

Output Explanation

- `children` → sirf elements
 - `childNodes` → elements + text nodes (spaces, line breaks)
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◆ (b) First & Last Child

Property	Meaning
<code>firstChild</code>	Pehla node (text bhi)
<code>firstElementChild</code>	Pehla element

lastChild Last node

lastElementChild Last element

```
console.log(ul.firstElementChild); // <li>HTML</li>
```

```
console.log(ul.lastElementChild); // <li>JavaScript</li>
```

◆ (c) Sibling Nodes

```
const p = document.getElementById('first');
```

```
console.log(p.nextSibling);              // #text
```

```
console.log(p.nextElementSibling); // <p>Second Para</p>
```

💡 Best Practice

👉 Always use **ElementSibling**

Text nodes se bach jaoge.



4. innerHTML vs innerText vs textContent

```
<p id="demo">  
Hello <b style="display:none">Hidden</b> World  
</p>
```

```
demo.innerHTML;
```

```
// Hello <b>Hidden</b> World
```

```
demo.innerText;
```

```
// Hello World
```

```
demo.textContent;  
// Hello Hidden World
```

QUICK RECAP (TABLE)

◆ Selectors

Method	Returns
querySelector	First match
querySelectorAll	NodeList (static)
getElementsByName e	HTMLCollection (live)

◆ Relationships

Property	Meaning
parentElement	Parent
children	Elements only
childNodes	All nodes
nextElementSibling	Next element

◆ Text

Property Kya milta hai

innerHTML HTML + text

innerText Visible text

textContent All text
