DOM Events

Making things interactive



Events are everywhere

- Clicking on a button
- Hovering over a link
- Dragging and Dropping
- Pressing the Enter key





The Process

We **select** an element and then add an **event listener**

"Listen for a click on this <button>"

"Listen for a hover event on the <h1>"

"Listen for a keypress event on text input"





The Syntax

To add a listener, we use a method called addEventListener

```
element.addEventListener(type, functionToCall);
```

```
var button = document.querySelector("button");
button.addEventListener("click", function() {
   console.log("SOMEONE CLICKED THE BUTTON!");
});
```



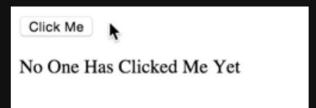


An Example

Let's display a message when a button is clicked

```
<button>Click Me</button>
No One Has Clicked Me Yet
```

```
var button = document.querySelector("button");
var paragraph = document.querySelector("p");
//SETUP CLICK LISTENER
button.addEventListener("click", function() {
  paragraph.textContent = "Someone Clicked the Button!";
});
```



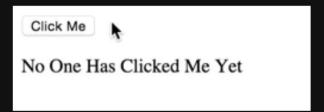




An Example

We could also rewrite it using a named function

```
var button = document.querySelector("button");
var paragraph = document.querySelector("p");
button.addEventListener("click", changeText);
function changeText() {
   paragraph.textContent = "Someone Clicked the Button!";
}
```







So Many Events!

MDN lists over 300 different events! Here are some of the more common ones:

- click
- mouseover
- dblclick
- keypress
- drag





Another Example

Let's try a quick example using mouseOver

```
I dare you to mouse over me
```

```
var paragraph = document.querySelector("p");

//SETUP MOUSE OVER LISTENER
paragraph.addEventListener("mouseover", function() {
  paragraph.textContent = "Stop hovering over me!";
});
```

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Adding mouseout

Let's use *mouseout* so that our message changes back when the user is done hovering

```
var paragraph = document.querySelector("p");

//SETUP MOUSE OVER LISTENER
paragraph.addEventListener("mouseover", function() {
  paragraph.textContent = "Stop hovering over me!";
});

//SETUP MOUSE OUT LISTENER
paragraph.addEventListener("mouseout", function() {
  paragraph.textContent = "Phew, thank you for leaving me alone";
});
```

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A Minor Change

We can DRY up our code with one small change:

```
var paragraph = document.querySelector("p");

//SETUP MOUSE OVER LISTENER
paragraph.addEventListener("mouseover", function() {
   this.textContent = "Stop hovering over me!";
});

//SETUP MOUSE OUT LISTENER
paragraph.addEventListener("mouseout", function() {
   this.textContent = "Phew, thank you for leaving me alone";
});
```

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