

FINAL OUTCOMES: META

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GET QUALIFIED!

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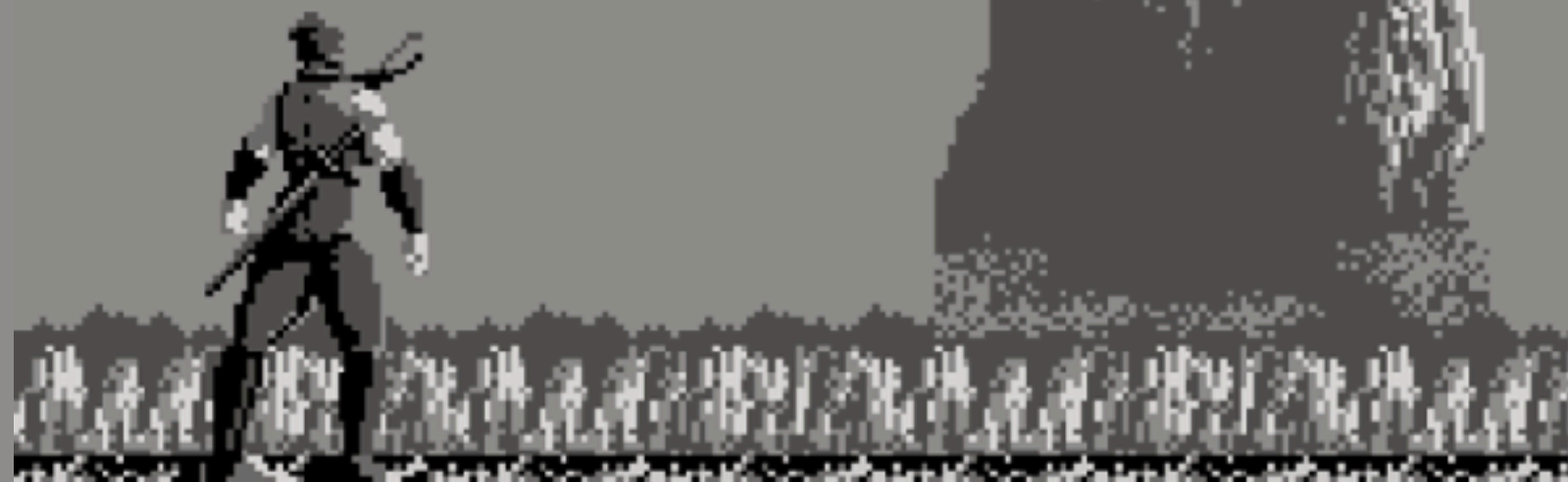
MOUNTAIN CLIMBING

Remember this?

`file:///Users/nickanderson/Dev/den-wdi-3/css-html-forms-lab/solution/index.html`

**CONGRATULATIONS! YOU HAVE
SUMMITED THE MOUNTAIN OF
PROGRAMMING KNOWLEDGE!**

**BUT THERE ARE STILL MORE MOUNTAINS
TO EXPLORE. A NEW ADVENTURE IS
ABOUT TO BEGIN!**



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GENERAL ASSEMBLY MOUNTAIN: COMPLETE

WEB INDUSTRY MOUNTAIN: UNLOCKED

LANGUAGE MASTERY MOUNTAIN: LOCKED

FRONTEND EXPERT MOUNTAIN: LOCKED

TECH LEAD MOUNTAIN: LOCKED

AGENCY MOUNTAIN: LOCKED

You right now:

<https://youtu.be/WPL1vf87dWY>

<https://youtu.be/hLcEWvR8xMc>

Scary thoughts:

- "Do I actually know enough?"
- "Will I be able to make it up the next Mountain without help?"
- "What if I fail?"

**WHAT IF I DON'T
KNOW ENOUGH?**

Answer:

**You don't, and you never will.
But, neither will anyone else.**

Web development is a not fact-based or even knowledge-based industry. It is an industry of problems that need to be solved; and the people who do well are skilled **adapters**.

You can't be prepared simply by memorizing a series of commands and languages. **Being a web developer is about adapting to new conditions, facing the new problems those conditions create, and solving them using a constantly changing set of tools.**

Back to Mountain Climbing -

What does being "prepared" for Mountain climbing mean?

Being prepared for mountain climbing doesn't mean you can predict everything that will happen you, or that you are safe from every kind of possible danger.

Being prepared means anticipating treacherous conditions, and working to minimize risk.



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Your time here at GA has not made mountain climbing "easier" - but it has prepared you for climbing mountains



And climbing the Mountain is magical

<https://youtu.be/-2QjmYDtjv8>



"Your muffins
smell like shit and
so do your ideas."

You will meet people on the mountain like Erlich,
complaining that climbing it is "hard".

It is hard - but it's harder when you're wearing flip-flops and
shorts. Everything is hard when you're not prepared.

You are not wearing flip-flops and shorts.

What's more important:

- Knowing why your JS function doesn't work, or knowing how to troubleshoot it?
- Getting it right the first time, or having the patience to get it wrong 8 times before succeeding?
- Feeling comfortable and confident in every situation, or knowing that you have the ability to adapt to hard conditions, and make them easier?

**WHAT IF I CAN'T
DO THIS ON MY
OWN?**

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Answer:

You're not doing this on your own!

When you can't ask me or Zeb, you still have:

- Your Classmates and Alumni
- New peers at work
- Meetup/Denver Communities
- StackOverflow/Google
- Open Source Communities
- Me and Zeb (and the rest of GA for that matter)

As you go forward:

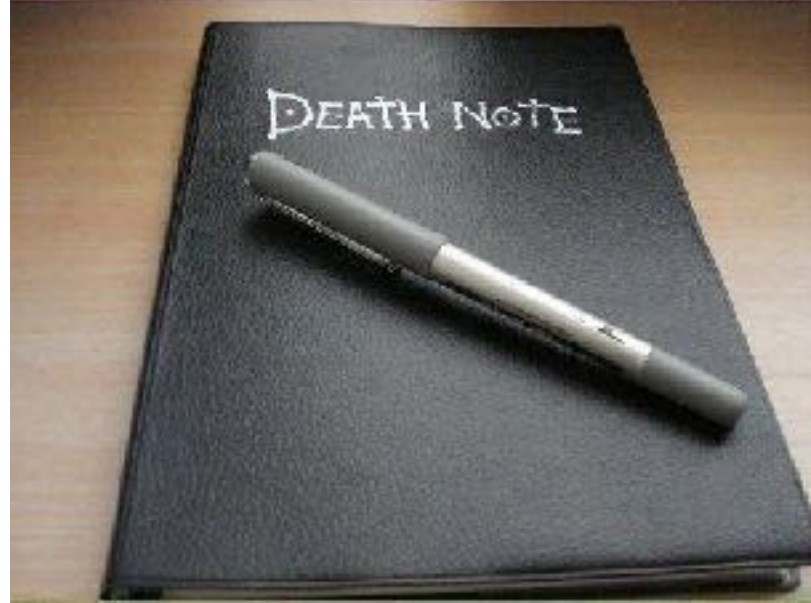
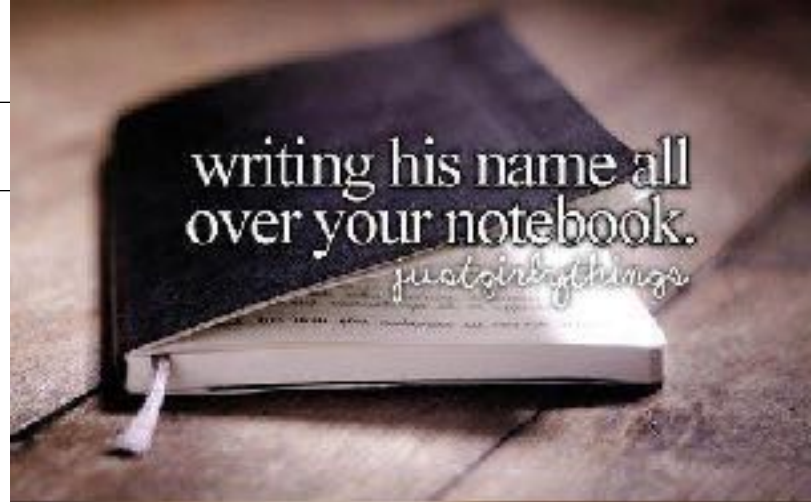
- Lean on each other - Denver is a small community
- Look for established talent that wants to pull you up
- Look for new talent that you can give a hand up to
- Use your abilities to create the web industry YOU want to see

SCARY THOUGHTS SERIES

Flipside: The Blacklist

There are connections that I did not invite to the showcase because they've screwed myself or others.

Do not end up on someone's blacklist.



WHAT IF I FAIL?

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Answer:

You will.

I have fucked up
a lot of things







Nick Anderson

February 10, 2011 · 🌐 ▼

Time spent having the creativity beaten out of me > Time spent being micromanaged > Time spent on Facebook. So yeah, that's where my time is going



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Nick Anderson And I can say this because the creative director of a major design firm doesn't have a Facebook or know how they work!

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is, unsurprisingly, now looking for work.

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March 11, 2011 · 🌐 ▼

is going to drink so much this weekend



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Ambition is the willingness to
kill the things you love and
eat them to stay alive.



Alyssa Anderson ▸ Nick Anderson

February 13, 2011 · 11

Dear Brother,

I understand that you are unemployed, but that does not give you permission to take up my whole news feed.

Love,
Sister



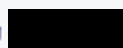
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Katolyn



[Plan of Attack]

1. Drink
2. WIN
3. Sleep
4. Repeat



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March 4, 2011 · 🌐 ▼

Week one = complete! So intense, but I think I can handle it. Until then, alcohol



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Matt Webb ▸ **Nick Anderson**

March 12, 2009 · 🌐

CONGRATS ON THE JOB BUDDY!!!!!! Now you have to act like you know what your doing 😊



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Write a comment...



(2:28:45 PM) **Nick A:** yeah, I have no idea what I'm doing

(2:29:03 PM) **Chandler:** back, sorry

(2:29:05 PM) **Chandler:** lol

(2:29:08 PM) **Nick A:** haha you're fine

(2:29:18 PM) **Nick A:** usually, if I had page specific CSS, I would stick it in the header. But when its all one page, I'm not sure how to approach it

(2:29:30 PM) **Chandler:** yeah

(2:29:39 PM) **Nick A:** I feel like there is a CSS selector for getting the page, plus the hash

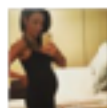
(2:29:48 PM) **Chandler:** sadly, no

(2:29:59 PM) **Chandler:** however, for an active class. Say, class="active"

(2:30:11 PM) **Chandler:** in the JS that hides all content divs, include:

(2:30:26 PM) **Chandler:** `jQuery('same-selection-to-hide-stuff').removeClass('active')`

(2:30:30 PM) **Chandler:** `* ('active');`



Jennifer Beck ▶ **Nick Anderson**

March 8, 2011 · 1

Currently I'm watching you try and clean up mess #1 of several thousand I will make on our website. The good news is I won't have to pull teeth to get you to just do stuff for me. Ok, you fixed it. You're genius. Don't kill me.



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Jennifer Beck ▶ **Nick Anderson**

March 10, 2011 · 1

I know I've already taken over your inbox, but I just have to say it one more time: this site is getting baller. Fast.



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Nick Anderson

March 19, 2011 · 🌟 ▼

Last night I had a dream that I had to defend the use of jQuery mobile over that of the town's traditional brownie recipe, for a large festival in a New Hampshire village made entirely of porcelain castles. So, my subconscious seems to be doing fine



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Nick Anderson

March 21, 2011 · 🌟 ▼

Thank you Blackberry for making registering for your DeveloperZone as painful as using your phones.



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Write a comment...



<http://mymwc.zerista.com/>

3g Y...

<http://google.com>

Device Error BlackBerry 9600 Simulator



Geolocation: Association Failure

Exit

Ignore

Save log...

Unable to connect to the
selected Mobile Data Service.
please try again later.

If the problem persists please
contact your administrator.

OK

**Nick Anderson**

March 21, 2011 · * ▼

And the moral of the story is: Don't allow Nick to make changes to your Ruby scripts, and don't give him permissions to commit to the live server. I hope we've all learned our lesson.



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February 23, 2011 · 🌐 ▼

"I think I would like to break all the secret records.
The one for most consecutive days of quality over quantity."
- Tao Lin



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Nick Anderson

March 16, 2011 · 🌐 ▼



There's still a lot of candy left in this pinata



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Issues assigned to me (0)



Nick Anderson

September 30, 2011 near Denver · 🌐 ▼

My work here is done. Goodbye Zerista - best of luck Chase Beck, [Dushyanth Maguluru](#), and the rest of the team!

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Jennifer Beck, Ara Jay and 5 others



Dushyanth Maguluru Good luck Nick Anderson. Will be hard to replace you at Zerista. We will miss you.

September 30, 2011 at 7:03pm · [Unlike](#) · 1



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Nick Anderson in Denver, Colorado.

October 1, 2011 · 🌐 · 📍



Started Working at Orange Collar Media

October 1, 2011 — Front End Developer

Denver, Colorado

I make e-commerce websites in Magento



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MAYBE YOU SHOULD HUSTLE



AS HARD AS YOU HATE

BUT WAIT



THERE'S MORE

Other ways I have failed:

- Got fired from my first job :/
- Took down a live server at a Biomedical Conference in China
- Deleted 720 Boardshop's entire website
- Overshot a deadline and made 4 devs work over Christmas
- Messed up an animated medication chart and lost my company a contract with AstraZeneca Pharmaceutical

Ways I have learned from those failures:

- Learned not to boundary test my coworkers
- Learned to code-check before pushing to production
- Learned that mysterious files are sometimes important
- Learned that misjudging work can hurt more than myself
- Learned to value quality over speed

Failure is the only option

- You can only learn web development by doing
- You can only learn to do something right by doing it wrong first
- **THEREFORE:**
Accumulate as much failure as quickly as possible



BUT WHY



Being a web developer is amazing.

You now have super powers.

- Everyone will want your help making things
- People will respect you for no apparent reason
- Solving everyday problems will become easier
- The better you get, the more you will want to produce (and the easier it will be)

You will work for fun and innovative companies.

- Perks are standard - 'fun' offices, beer taps, company outings
- You will work with creative, hungry people like yourself
- You will probably actually like your job







FINAL ADVICE



Don't beat your head against invisible walls.

https://youtu.be/kvam_h2uCRQ

Beware of people who don't understand your value.

<https://youtu.be/R2a8TRSgzZY>

Give yourself a break.

- You won't be asked to be a flawless multitool on day one
- Only people who are insecure about their own skills will tell you you're not good enough
- Everyone thinks they suck

Keep life in perspective.

- Web development will take up as much space in your life as you allow it
- Being the best/highest paid != being the happiest or most satisfied
- Make calculated sacrifices that promise the most potential

META

FINAL TEST!

4. Given the below code, how would you add the name "Michael Nesmith" to the monkeys?

```
var monkeys = ["Peter Tork", "Micky Dolenz", "Davy Jones"];
```

Jess said:

`“monkees.addName(Michael Nesmith);”`

4. Given the below code, how would you add the name "Michael Nesmith" to the monkeys?

```
var monkeys = ["Peter Tork", "Micky Dolenz", "Davy Jones"];
```

Cam said:

```
Var monkees = ["Peter Tork", "Micky Dolenz", "Davy Jones", "Michael Nesmith"];
```

2. Translate the following webpage into HTML (do not use any CSS styling).

WDI

is awesome!

I'm such a sweet coder, check out my [GitHub page](#).

I love **puppies**! Here is my favorite one:



Tyler said:

“src=href /img”

10. Name as many JavaScript datatypes as you can think of. **Bonus:** give an example of each!

FINAL TEST

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Jacy said:

10. Name as many JavaScript datatypes as you can think of. **Bonus:** give an example of each!

-1_(:-')_/_-

HA

Q&A

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KEEP QUALIFYING FOR OUTCOMES!



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THE END!