

Quickstart: Facebook SDK for JavaScript

The Facebook SDK for JavaScript provides a rich set of client-side functionality that:

- Enables you to use the [Like Button](#) and other [Social Plugins](#) on your site.
- Enables you to use [Facebook Login](#) to lower the barrier for people to sign up on your site.
- Makes it easy to call into Facebook's [Graph API](#).
- Launch Dialogs that let people perform various actions like sharing stories.
- Facilitates communication when you're building a [game](#) or an [app tab](#) on Facebook.

The SDK, social plugins and dialogs work on both desktop and mobile web browsers.

This quickstart will show you how to setup the SDK and get it to make some basic Graph API calls. If you don't want to setup just yet, you can use our [JavaScript Test Console](#) to use all of the SDK methods, and explore some examples (you can skip the setup steps, but the rest of this quickstart can be tested in the

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Basic Setup

The Facebook SDK for JavaScript doesn't have any standalone files that need to be downloaded or installed, instead you simply need to include a short piece of regular JavaScript in your HTML that will asynchronously load the SDK into your pages. The async load means that it does not block loading other elements of your page.

The following snippet of code will give the basic version of the SDK where the options are set to their most common defaults. You should insert it directly after the opening `<body>` tag on each page you want to load it:

```
<script>
window.fbAsyncInit = function() {
  FB.init({
    appId      : 'your-app-id',
    xfbml      : true,
    version     : 'v2.7'
  });
};

(function(d, s, id){
  var js, fjs = d.getElementsByTagName(s)[0];
  if (d.getElementById(id)) {return;}
  js = d.createElement(s); js.id = id;
  js.src = "//connect.facebook.net/en_US/sdk.js";
  fjs.parentNode.insertBefore(js, fjs);
}(document, 'script', 'facebook-jssdk'));
</script>
```

This code will load and initialize the SDK. You must replace the value in `your-app-id` with the ID of your own Facebook App. You can find this ID using the [App Dashboard](#).

Next Steps

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Usage Examples

Like 2K

Share

Give Feedback

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