JavaScript DOM Methods

HTML Example with Boxes

Here's the structure of the HTML document we'll be manipulating using DOM methods:



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HTML Code

JavaScript Code

Now, let's look at how JavaScript DOM methods can interact with these HTML elements.

1. getElementsByClassName()

Returns an array-like collection of all elements with a given class name:

```
let boxes = document.getElementsByClassName("box");
console.log(boxes);
```

Output: HTMLCollection [div.box, div#temp.box, div.box, div.box, div.box]

2. getElementById()

Returns the element with the specified ID:

```
let tempBox = document.getElementById("temp");
```

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tempBox.style.backgroundColor = "red";
```

3. querySelector()

Selects the first element that matches a given CSS selector:

```
let firstBox = document.querySelector(".box");
firstBox.style.backgroundColor = "purple";
```

4. querySelectorAll()

Returns all elements that match a given CSS selector:

```
let allBoxes = document.querySelectorAll(".box");
allBoxes.forEach(box => {
    box.style.backgroundColor = "yellow";
});
```

5. getElementsByTagName()

Returns a collection of all elements with a given tag name:

```
let divs = document.getElementsByTagName("div");
console.log(divs);
```

Output: HTMLCollection [div.container, div.box, div#temp.box, div.box, div.box, div.box]

Other DOM Methods

6. matches()

Checks if the selected element matches a given selector:

```
let isTemp = tempBox.matches("#temp");
console.log(isTemp);
```

Output: true

7. closest()

Finds the closest ancestor that matches a given selector:

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      let closestTemp = tempBox.closest(".container");
     console.log(closestTemp);
    Output: <div class="container">...</div>
    8. contains()
    Checks if one element contains another:
      let containsBox = document.querySelector(".container").contains(tempBox)
     console.log(containsBox);
     Output: true
```