What this section covers

Previous Section

In the previous sections, we've seen how to use the built-in DOM API methods of the document object to access HTML elements by ID, class, tag name, and query selectors.

We know that the DOM is basically a tree of nodes. The document node is the root (or trunk of the tree), and every other node (such as elements, comments, text, etc) are the numerous branches.

But sometimes this is not enough.

Lets get crackin'

Sometimes, you'll want to move through the DOM without specifying each and every element beforehand. Learning how to navigate up and down the DOM tree and move from node to node (or branch to branch) is essential to becoming an awesome developer and understanding how to work with JavaScript and HTML.

In this section, we will go over how to traverse the DOM (also known as walking or navigating the DOM) with parent, child, and sibling properties.

Enjoy!