# **JAVASCRIPT PROMISES**

In JavaScript, a promise is an object that represents the eventual completion (or failure) of an asynchronous operation, and its resulting value. Promises are a way to handle asynchronous operations in JavaScript, such as making HTTP requests, in a more elegant and easier to reason about way than using callbacks. Promises were introduced in ECMAScript 6 and are now widely supported in modern browsers and JavaScript environments.

A promise can be in one of three states:

- pending: The initial state, indicating that the promise is still in progress.
- fulfilled: The state indicating that the promise has completed successfully and has a resulting value.
- rejected: The state indicating that the promise has failed and has a reason for the failure.

Promises have two main methods: then and catch. The then method is used to attach callbacks for the fulfillment of the promise and the catch method is used to attach callbacks for the rejection of the promise.

Here is an example of a simple promise:

```
let promise = new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
     //do some async operation
     setTimeout(() => resolve("Hello from the promise"), 3000);
});
 promise
     .then((response) => console.log(response))
     .catch((error) => console.log(error));
```

Here, a promise is created with a constructor, this constructor takes one argument, a function that takes two arguments, a resolve and a reject. Inside that function we can put the asynchronous operation. In this case, the operation is just a setTimeout to wait 3 seconds. After the time passed the resolve function is called with the result. We can attach callbacks for the fulfillment of the promise using the then method and callbacks for the rejection of the promise using the catch method.

Promise also allows you to chain multiple then methods, so that you can execute multiple asynchronous operations one after the other.

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```
let promise1 = new Promise((resolve) => {
    setTimeout(() => resolve('Hello'), 2000);
});
let promise2 = new Promise((resolve) => {
    setTimeout(() =>
```

- 1) Create a new JavaScript file called "promise-example.js"
- 2) In the file, use the fetch() function to make a GET request to the JSONPlaceholder API (https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/), which returns sample data for testing and prototyping. For example:

```
fetch('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/todos/1')
   .then(response => response.json())
   .then(data => console.log(data))
   .catch(error => console.error(error))
```

- 3) Run the code and you should see the first to-do item in the API logged to the console.
- 4) Play with the endpoint. Try to fetch different resources

```
fetch('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1')
   .then(response => response.json())
   .then(data => console.log(data))
   .catch(error => console.error(error))
```

5) To demonstrate how to use Promises to handle multiple asynchronous operations, you can use the Promise.all() method. In this step you will fetch multiple post from the API

```
let postPromise1 = fetch('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/1').then(response
=> response.json())
let postPromise2 = fetch('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/2').then(response
=> response.json())
let postPromise3 = fetch('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/posts/3').then(response
=> response.json())
Promise.all([postPromise1, postPromise2, postPromise3])
    .then(data => console.log(data))
    .catch(error => console.error(error))
```

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6) Now you should have an idea of how you can use promises to handle API calls, you can practice by extending this example by adding more functionality, for example adding an error handling for non-200 status codes, displaying the data in an html page, fetching resources using query parameters and so on.

#### Note:

- Make sure to check if the browser supports fetch, you can do that by checking for the existence of the Headers, Request, Response, and Fetch classes on the window object.
- · The jsonplaceholder API might be rate-limited, please be aware of this while testing
- Keep in mind that fetch is just a way to make http request and many other libraries such as axios, superagent use promises as well.

Have fun!

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