

JavaScript and DOM Notes

JavaScript + DOM Basics

The DOM (Document Object Model) is a tree-like structure that represents HTML elements. JavaScript can access, modify, delete, or add elements to the DOM.

Accessing Elements

By ID:

```
const heading = document.getElementById('main-heading');
```

By Class Name:

```
const items = document.getElementsByClassName('item');
```

By Tag Name:

```
const paragraphs = document.getElementsByTagName('p');
```

By CSS Selector:

```
const button = document.querySelector('.btn');
```

```
const allButtons = document.querySelectorAll('.btn');
```

Modifying Elements

Change Text:

```
document.getElementById('title').textContent = 'New Title';
```

Change Style:

```
document.querySelector('h1').style.color = 'blue';
```

```
document.querySelector('.card').style.backgroundColor = '#f9f9f9';
```

Add / Remove Classes:

```
element.classList.add('active');
```

```
element.classList.remove('hidden');
```

```
element.classList.toggle('dark-mode');
```

Creating and Adding Elements

```
const newDiv = document.createElement('div');
```

```
newDiv.textContent = 'Hello World!';
```

```
document.body.appendChild(newDiv);
```

Removing Elements

```
const element = document.getElementById('remove-me');
```

```
element.remove();
```

Event Listeners

Click Event:

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```
document.querySelector('#my-btn').addEventListener('click', () => {  
  alert('Button clicked!');  
});
```

Input Event:

```
document.querySelector('#my-input').addEventListener('input', (event) => {  
  console.log('User typed:', event.target.value);  
});
```

Example: Toggle Dark Mode

HTML:

```
<button id="toggle-theme">Toggle Theme</button>  
<body class="light">
```

JS:

```
document.getElementById('toggle-theme').addEventListener('click', () => {  
  document.body.classList.toggle('dark');  
});
```

CSS:

```
body.dark {  
  background-color: #111;  
  color: white;  
}
```

Tips

- Use `console.log()` to debug
- Use `querySelector/querySelectorAll` for flexibility
- Wait for `DOMContentLoaded` if script is in `<head>`:

```
document.addEventListener('DOMContentLoaded', () => {  
  // your code here  
});
```