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## **RSVP.PROMISE CLASS**

**DEFINED IN:** bower\_components/rsvp/lib/rsvp/promise.js:30

**MODULE**: ember

Promise objects represent the eventual result of an asynchronous operation. The primary way of interacting with a promise is through its then method, which registers callbacks to receive either a promise's eventual value or the reason why the promise cannot be fulfilled.

## **TERMINOLOGY**

promise is an object or function with a then method whose behavior conforms to this specification. thenable is an object or function that defines a then method.

value is any legal JavaScript value (including undefined, a thenable, or a promise).

exception is a value that is thrown using the throw statement.

reason is a value that indicates why a promise was rejected.

settled the final resting state of a promise, fulfilled or rejected.

A promise can be in one of three states: pending, fulfilled, or rejected.

Promises that are fulfilled have a fulfillment value and are in the fulfilled state. Promises that are rejected have a rejection reason and are in the rejected state. A fulfillment value is never a thenable.

Promises can also be said to *resolve* a value. If this value is also a promise, then the original promise's settled state will match the value's settled state. So a promise that *resolves* a promise that rejects will itself reject, and a promise that *resolves* a promise that fulfills will itself fulfill.

## **BASIC USAGE:**

```
1
      var promise = new Promise(function(resolve, reject) {
2
        // on success
3
        resolve(value);
4
        // on failure
5
6
        reject(reason);
7
      });
8
9
      promise.then(function(value) {
10
        // on fulfillment
      }, function(reason) {
11
12
        // on rejection
13
      });
```

## **ADVANCED USAGE:**

Promises shine when abstracting away asynchronous interactions such as XMLHttpRequest s.

```
1
      function getJSON(url) {
       return new Promise(function(resolve, reject){
2
3
          var xhr = new XMLHttpRequest();
4
5
          xhr.open('GET', url);
          xhr.onreadystatechange = handler;
6
          xhr.responseType = 'json';
8
          xhr.setRequestHeader('Accept', 'application/json');
9
          xhr.send();
10
```

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```
11
          function handler() {
12
            if (this.readyState === this.DONE) {
13
              if (this.status === 200) {
                resolve(this.response);
14
15
              } else {
                reject(new Error('getJSON: `' + url + '` failed with status: [' + this.status + ']'));
16
17
18
19
          };
20
       });
21
22
23
      getJSON('/posts.json').then(function(json) {
24
       // on fulfillment
25
      }, function(reason) {
26
       // on rejection
27
     });
```

Unlike callbacks, promises are great composable primitives.

```
1
     Promise.all([
2
       getJSON('/posts'),
3
       getJSON('/comments')
4
     ]).then(function(values){
       values[0] // => postsJSON
5
6
       values[1] // => commentsJSON
7
8
       return values;
9
     });
```

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