jQuery html() Method

[❮ jQuery HTML/CSS Methods](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/jquery_ref_html.asp)

Example

Change the content of all <p> elements:

$("button").click(function(){  
  $("p").html("Hello <b>world</b>!");  
});

[Try it Yourself »](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_html_set)

Definition and Usage

The html() method sets or returns the content (innerHTML) of the selected elements.

When this method is used to **return** content, it returns the content of the FIRST matched element.

When this method is used to **set** content, it overwrites the content of ALL matched elements.

**Tip:** To set or return only the text content of the selected elements, use the [text()](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/html_text.asp) method.

Syntax

Return content:

$(*selector*).html()

Set content:

$(*selector*).html(*content*)

Set content using a function:

$(*selector*).html(function*(index,currentcontent)*)

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| **Parameter** | **Description** |
| *content* | Required. Specifies the new content for the selected elements (can contain HTML tags) |
| function(*index,currentcontent*) | Optional. Specifies a function that returns the new content for the selected elements   * *index* - Returns the index position of the element in the set * *currentcontent* - Returns the current HTML content of the selected element |

Try it Yourself - Examples

[Return element content](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_html_get)  
How to return the content of an element.

[Set element content using a function](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_html_set_func)  
Using a function to set the content of all selected elements.