**Ajax Events**

Often, you’ll want to perform an operation whenever an Ajax requests starts or stops, such as showing or hiding a loading indicator. Rather than defining this behavior inside every Ajax request, you can bind Ajax events to elements just like you'd bind other events. For a complete list of Ajax events, visit [http://docs.jquery.com/Ajax\_Events](http://docs.jquery.com/Ajax_Events" \t "_new).

**Example 7.8. Setting up a loading indicator using Ajax Events**

$('#loading\_indicator')

.ajaxStart(function() { $(this).show(); })

.ajaxStop(function() { $(this).hide(); });