CS 325 - Introduction to Web Programming

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Lab 3: JavaScript (Start in class and finish by tonight midnight for full credit)

Today you'll write a page where the user can type text into a box, and by clicking on UI controls, the user can "pimp out" the text by giving it funny styling.

The HTML page lab3.html contains a basic HTML shell and page header. This skeleton already links to a CSS file pimpmytext.css that defines all the styles you need. You do not have to write any CSS code today.

You will write a JavaScript file pimpmytext.js that will manipulate the text.

File: lab3.html

Task 1 - Create UI Elements

The first task is to expand pimpmytext.html by adding UI controls. Add HTML code for the following:

- A field for users to enter large (multi-line) amounts of text.
 - o It should be 4 rows by 30 columns in size.
 - Wrap it in a bordered field-set box with the label "Text".
- Add a second bordered field-set box labeled "Pimp It" that contains the following controls:
 - o A button labeled: Bigger Pimpin'!
 - A checkbox labeled "Bling"

NOTE: Controls are sometimes used in forms; but you must not use the form tag on your page.

Output: lab3output1.png

Task 2 – JS Alert

Now you'll write a bit of JavaScript testing code that pops up an alert box. This is just a test to make sure that your browser is running your JavaScript file, before we move on to tougher exercises.

- Create a new file and save it as pimpmytext.js.
- Put the following line of code into the file:

alert("Hello, world!");

- Link your HTML page to your JavaScript file using a script tag.
- Refresh your page in the browser. Do you see the alert message?

Output: lab3output2.png

Task 3 - Hello World Button

Now let's set up a very basic JS event handler. Modify your JS code and HTML so that the "Hello, world!" alert message won't pop up until the user clicks the "Bigger Pimpin" button.

- Modify your JS file to wrap the alert into a function.
- Add an onclick handler attribute to the "Bigger Pimpin" button that calls your new function.
- Refresh your page in the browser. Click the button. Do you see the alert?

Output: same as above

Task 4 - Bigger Pimpin' Button

Modify your JS code so that when the user clicks "Bigger Pimpin'!", the text in the text area will get larger.

- Make sure your text area has an id attribute so your JS code can talk to it.
- Modify your JS function so that it now changes the text area's font size to **24pt**.
- *Hint*: The syntax for accessing an element by ID and changing a style is:
- document.getElementById("elementID").style.propertyName = "value";
 - Use proper units, such as "4em", and proper capitalization, such as backgroundColor.

Output: lab3output3.png

Task 5 - Bling Checkbox

Add an event handler so that when the user checks "Bling", the text area will receive some styles.

- Add an onchange on the checkbox that calls a function that pops up an alert.
- Modify your new function to set the text area's font weight to **bold**.
 - You can see if a checkbox is checked by examining its checked property.
 (Give it an id.)
 - o When the box is unchecked, the font weight should go back to normal.
- Once the bold part works, add the following styles to the text when the box is checked:
 - o change its color to green
 - o underline the text (this is the CSS text-decoration property)
 - o strike-out the text (this is *also* the CSS text-decoration property)

Output: lab3output4.png

Task 6 - Snoopify

- Add a new button to the HTML with the text "Snoopify" that, when clicked, uppercases the text in the text area.
 - Use the value property of the text area.
- Modify your button so that it also adds a suffix of "-izzle" to the last word of each sentence.
 - Let's consider a sentence to be a string of text that ends with a period character, "."
 - Use the String/array methods split and join. For example, to replace spaces with underscores:

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var str = "How are you?"
var parts = str.split(" "); // ["How", "are", "you?"]
str = parts.join("_"); // "How_are_you?"
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Output: lab3output5.png

Submission Process:

Upload your lab3.html and pimpmytext.js files to the appropriate dropbox on the course Moodle page.