

Working with Plugins

Unit 6

Found something
jQuery can't do?

Trick Question!!!
jQuery can do
everything!!!

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jqueryvalidation.org/documentation/ ▾

¶Validate forms like you've never **validated** before! ... This particular one is one of the oldest **jQuery plugins** (started in July 2006) and has proved itself in projects ...

[Validate\(\)](#) - [Reference docs](#) - [Rules\(\)](#) - [Required method](#)

jQuery Validation Plugin | Form validation with jQuery

jqueryvalidation.org/ ▾

This **jQuery plugin** makes simple clientside **form validation** easy, whilst still offering plenty of customization options. It makes a good choice if you're building ...

Happy.js | Lightweight form validation for jQuery or Zepto.js

happyjs.com/ ▾

Yes, there a million **form validation plugins** already – but I like this approach and the good news is, ... In fact, if you want something really full-featured for **jQuery**.

BootstrapValidator: The best jQuery plugin to validate form ...

bootstrapvalidator.com/ ▾

Friendly. Show feedback icons based on field validity; Focus on the first invalid field; Don't **validate** until given length; Possible to show errors as tooltip/popover ...

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validate | jQuery Plugin Registry

plugins.jquery.com/tag/validate/ ▾

Validetta is a tiny **jQuery plugin** which you can do client-side **validation** of your **forms**. It aims to decrease your burden with easy usage and flexible structure.

Now - the Not So
Good News

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Demos

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- Following a few best practices to support chaining and multiple selectors


```
$.fn.cowbell = function() {  
    this.css("font-weight", "bold");  
}
```


Demos