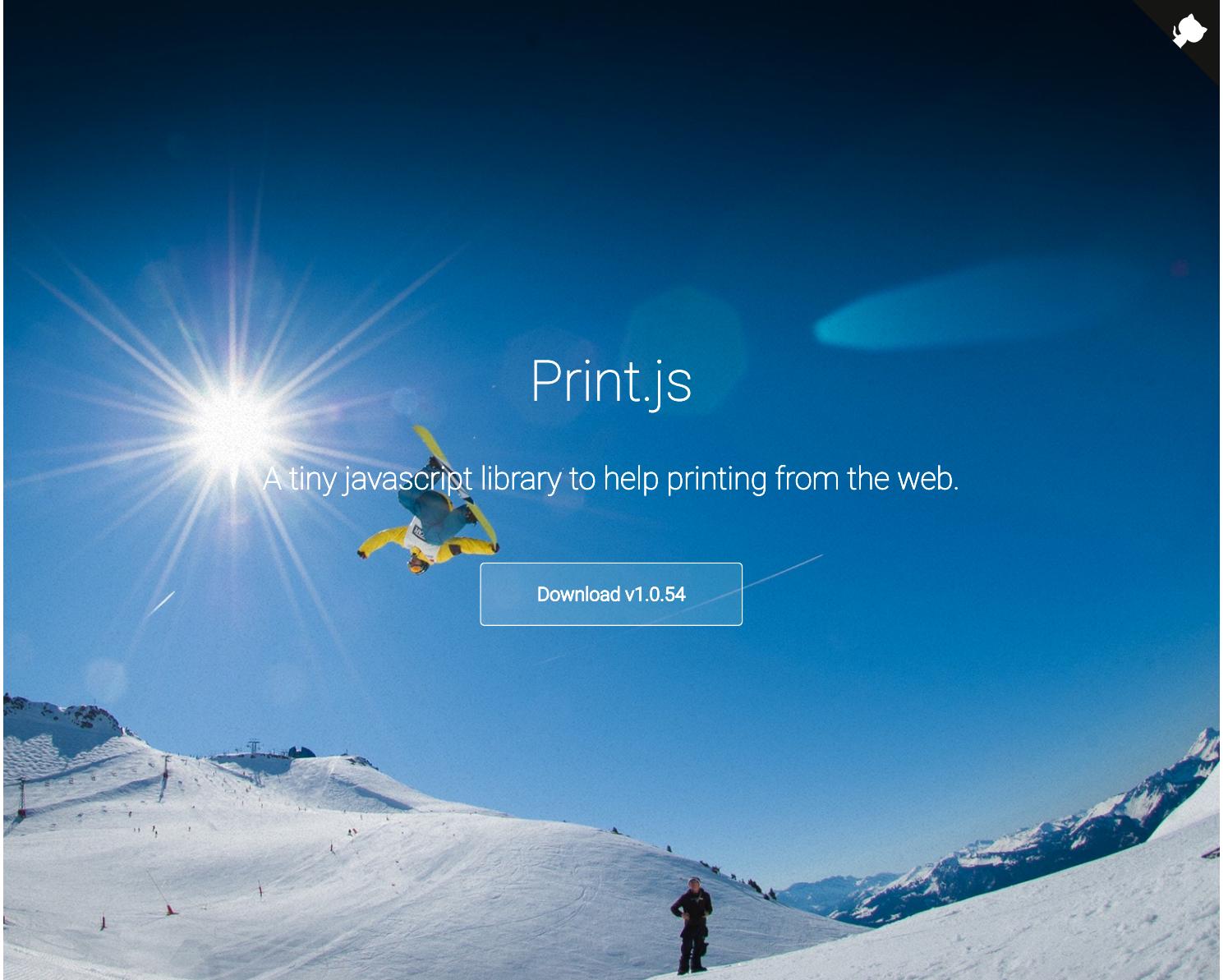




# Print.js

A tiny javascript library to help printing from the web.

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## PDF Printing

Print.js was primarily written to help us print PDF files directly within our apps, without leaving the interface, and unique situations where there is no need for users to open or download the PDF files, and instead, they just need

One scenario where this is useful, for example, is when users request to print reports that are generated on the server and are sent back as PDF files. There is no need to open these files before printing them. Print.js offers a quick way to print from our apps.

*PDF files must be served from the same domain as your app is hosted under. Print.js uses iframe to load files therefore, it is limited by the Same Origin Policy. This helps preventing Cross-site scripting (XSS) attacks.*

## Example

Add a button to print a PDF file located on your hosting server:

```
<button type="button" onclick="printJS('docs/printjs.pdf')">  
  Print PDF  
</button>
```

Result:

**Print PDF**

*Firefox currently doesn't allow printing PDF documents using iframes. There is an open bug in Mozilla's website Firefox, Print.js will open the PDF file into a new tab.*

For large files, you can show a message to the user when loading files.

```
<button type="button" onclick="printJS({printable:'docs/xx_large_printjs.pdf', type:'pdf', showModal:true})">  
  Print PDF with Message  
</button>
```

Result:

**Print Large PDF ( 5mb file )**

**Print Extra Large PDF ( 16mb file )**

## HTML Printing

Sometimes we just want to print selected parts of a HTML page, and that can be tricky. With Print.js, we can element that we want to print. The element can be of any tag, as long it has a unique id. The library will try to pi looks on screen, and at the same time, it will create a printer friendly format for it.

### Example

Add a print button to a HTML form:

```
<form method="post" action="#" id="printJS-form">
  ...
</form>

<button type="button" onclick="printJS('printJS-form', 'html')">
  Print Form
</button>
```

### Result:

Name:

John Doe

Email:

john@doe.com

Message:

Print HTML Elements

**Print Form**

Print.js accepts an object with arguments. Let's print the form again, but now we will add a header to the page:

```
<button type="button" onclick="printJS({ printable: 'printJS-form', type: 'html', header: 'PrintJS - Form Element Selection' })">  
  Print Form with Header  
</button>
```

Result:

**Print Form with Header**

## Image Printing

Print.js can be used to quickly print any image on your page, by passing the image url. This can be useful when you load images on the screen, using a low resolution version of the images. When users try to print the selected image, you can pass the url to Print.js.

## Example

Load images on your page with just the necessary resolution you need on screen:

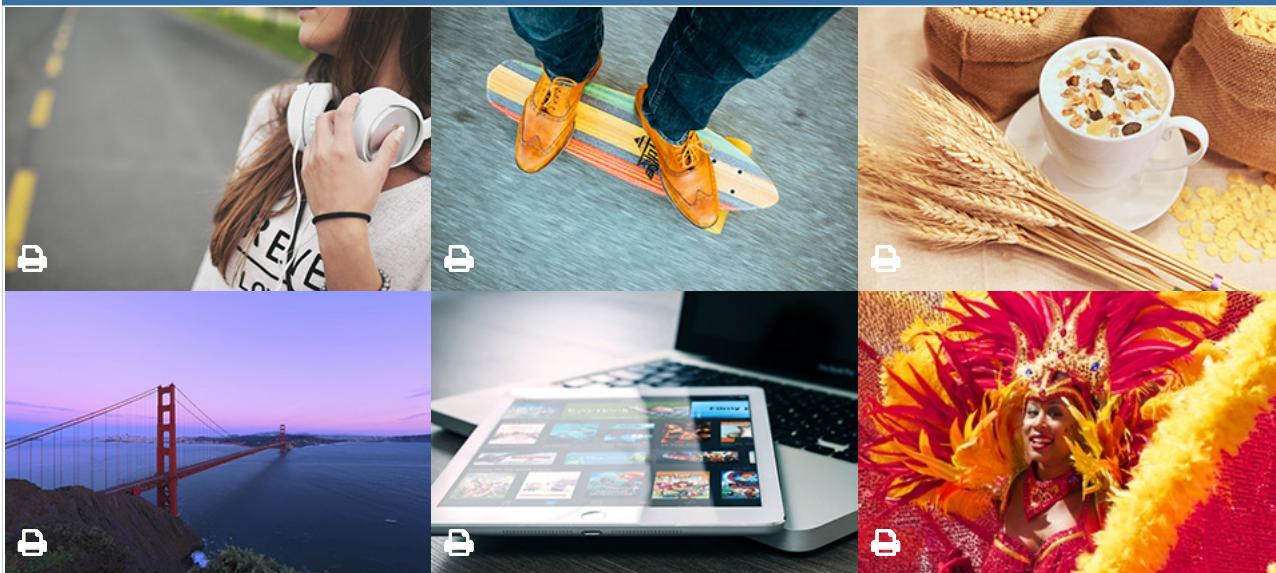
```

```

In your javascript, pass the highest resolution image url to Print.js for a better print quality:

```
printJS('images/print-01-highres.jpg', 'image')
```

Result:



*Print.js uses promises to make sure the images are loaded before trying to print. This is useful when printing images that are not yet loaded, like the example above.*

You can also add a header to the image being printed:

```
printJS({printable: 'images/print-01-highres.jpg', type: 'image', header: 'My cool image header'})
```

Result:

**Print Image With Header**

To print multiple images together, we can pass an array of images. We can also pass the style to be applied on each image.

```
printJS({
  printable: ['images/print-01-highres.jpg', 'images/print-02-highres.jpg', 'images/print-03-highres.jpg'],
  type: 'image',
  header: 'Multiple Images',
  imageStyle: 'width:50%;margin-bottom:20px;'
})
```

Result:

[Print Multiple Images](#)

## JSON Printing

A simple and quick way to print dynamic data or array of javascript objects.

### Example

We have the following data set in our javascript code. This would probably come from an AJAX call to a server API.

```
someJSONdata = [
  {
    name: 'John Doe',
    email: 'john@doe.com',
    phone: '111-111-1111'
  },
  {
    name: 'Barry Allen',
    email: 'barry@flash.com',
    phone: '222-222-2222'
  },
  {
    name: 'Cool Dude',
    email: 'cool@dude.com',
    phone: '333-333-3333'
  }
]
```

We can pass it to Print.js:

```
<button type="button" onclick="printJS({printable: someJSONdata, properties: ['name', 'email', 'phone'], type: 'json'})">
  Print JSON Data
</button>
```

## Result:

[Print JSON Data](#)

We can style the data grid by passing some custom css:

```
<button type="button" onclick="printJS({  
    printable: someJSONData,  
    properties: ['name', 'email', 'phone'],  
    type: 'json',  
    gridHeaderStyle: 'color: red; border: 2px solid #3971A5;',  
    gridStyle: 'border: 2px solid #3971A5;'  
})">  
    Print JSON Data  
</button>
```

## Result:

[Print Styled JSON Data](#)

## Download and Install

You can download the latest version of Print.js from the GitHub releases.

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To install using npm:

```
npm install print-js --save
```

To install using yarn:

```
yarn add print-js
```

When installing via npm or yarn, import the library into your project:

```
import print from 'print-js'
```

CDN is also available, thanks to [KeyCDN](#):

```
https://printjs-4de6.lxcdn.com/print.min.js  
https://printjs-4de6.lxcdn.com/print.min.css
```

## Getting Started

First we need to include the Print.js library on the page.

```
<script src="print.js"></script>
```

If you will use the modal feature, also include Print.css on the page.

```
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="print.css">
```

That's it. You can now use Print.js in your pages.

When writing your javascript code, remember that the library occupies a global variable of `printJS`.

## Using Print.js

There are four print document types available: `'pdf'` , `'html'` , `'image'` and `'json'` .

The default type is `'pdf'` .

It's basic usage is to call `printJS()` and just pass in a PDF document url: `printJS('docs/PrintJS.pdf')` .

For image files, the idea is the same, but you need to pass a second argument: `printJS('images/PrintJS.jpg', 'image')`

To print HTML elements, in a similar way, pass in the element id and type: `printJS('myElementId', 'html')` .

When printing JSON data, pass in the data, type and the data properties that you want to print:

```
printJS({printable: myData, type: 'json', properties: ['prop1', 'prop2', 'prop3']}) ;
```

## Configuration

Print.js will accept an object as argument, where you can configure some options:

Argument	Default Value	Description
printable	null	Document source: pdf or image url, html element.
type	'pdf'	Document type.
header	null	Optional header to be used with HTML, Images or JSON. Will be placed on the top of the page.
headerStyle	'font-weight: 300;'	Optional header style to be applied to the header.
maxWidth	800	Max document width in pixels. Change this when printing HTML, Images or JSON.
css	null	This allow us to pass one or more css files located locally or online to be applied to the html being printed. Value can be a single URL or an array with multiple URLs.
style	null	This allow us to pass a string with custom styles to be applied to the html being printed.
scanStyles	true	When set to false, the library will not process styles in the html being printed. Useful when using the <code>targetStyle</code> option.
targetStyle	null	By default, the library process some styles contained in the html elements. This option allows you to specify styles that you want to be processed. Ex.: ['padding']
targetStyles	null	Same as `targetStyle`, however, this will process all styles. Ex.: ['border', 'padding'], will include 'border-top', 'border-left', 'border-right', 'padding-top', 'padding-left', 'padding-right'. You can also pass ['*'] to process all styles.
ignoreElements	[]	Accepts an array of html ids that should be ignored by the parent html element.
properties	null	Used when printing JSON. These are the objects to print.
gridHeaderStyle	'font-weight: bold;'	Optional style for the grid header when printing.
gridStyle	'border: 1px solid lightgray;'	Optional style for the grid rows when printing.

margin-bottom: -1px;'

repeatTableHeader	true	Used when printing JSON data. When set to true header will show in first page only.
showModal	null	Enable this option to show user feedback while processing large PDF files.
modalMessage	'Retrieving Document...'	Message displayed to users when showModal is true.
onLoadingStart	null	Function to be executed when PDF is being loaded.
onLoadingEnd	null	Function to be executed after PDF has loaded.
documentTitle	'Document'	When printing html, image or json, this will be the document title. It will also be the name of the file if you tries to save the print job to a pdf file.
fallbackPrintable	null	When printing pdf, if the browser is not compatible with the pdf standard (e.g. IE8 compatibility table), the library will open the fallbackPrintable URL (which can be a local file) and allow you to pass a different pdf document than the original passed in `printable`. This may be useful if you want to include some javascript in your alternate pdf file.
onPdfOpen	null	When printing pdf, if the browser is not compatible with the pdf standard (e.g. IE8 compatibility table), the library will open the fallbackPrintable URL (which can be a local file). A callback function can be passed here, which will be triggered when this happens. It may be useful in some situations to handle your print flow, update user interface etc.
onPrintDialogClose	null	Callback function executed once the browser's print dialog has closed.
onError	error => throw error	Callback function to be executed when an error occurs.
honorMarginPadding <small>(deprecated)</small>	true	This is used to keep or remove padding and margin values that are being printed. Sometimes these styles look good on screen but it looks pretty bad when printed. You can fix this by setting this to false.
honorColor <small>(deprecated)</small>	false	To print text in color, set this property to true. If set to false, all text will be printed in black.
font <small>(deprecated)</small>	'TimesNewRoman'	Typeface used when printing HTML or JSON.

font_size (deprecated ⓘ)	'12pt'	Font size used when printing HTML or JSON
imageStyle (deprecated ⓘ)	'width:100%;'	Used when printing images. Accepts a string which will be applied to each image.

## Browser Compatibility

Currently, not all library features are working between browsers. Below are the results of tests done with these major latest versions.

	Google Chrome	Safari	Firefox	Edge	Opera	IE
PDF	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
HTML	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Images	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
JSON	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗

Thank you BrowserStack for the support. Amazing cross-browser testing tool.



Development and Support

Please report issues and feature requests in GitHub Issues.

 If you have questions when implementing or using the library, ask about it in StackOverflow.

 Pull requests are very welcome! Make sure your patches are well tested: README.md.

