

Inline scripts in WordPress

There are times when we need to add scripts to the page that will run only when there is a script already enqueued and loaded before it happens.

I got bit by this when trying to use FontFaceObserver. For some reason it worked fine in development but it would give a FontFaceObserver is not defined error when I moved the theme to production.

The solution was hidden in some older documentation. As of version 4.5 there is an additional script loading function for loading inline scripts: wp_add_inline_script. This function allows adding inline scripts that depend on scripts

The only important thing to remember is that this will only work when using a script that was enqueued using wp_enqueue_script.

The final solution looks like this:

```
<?
function rivendellweb_enqueue_fontfaceobserver() {
                 wp_enqueue_script( 'f'ffo_script'
                                                                                                                                                                                                     get_stylesheet_directory_uri
                                  array(),
                                    '20151215',
                                   false );
                 wp_add_inline_script( 'f'/js/fontfaceobserver.js'ive = new FontFaceObserver.js'ive = new Fo
                                                    Promise.all([recursive.load()]).then(() => {sessionStorage.for
                                                    }).catch((err) => {sessionStorage.fontsLoaded = false;console
                                                    });
                                                    // Add a class based on whether the font loaded successfully
                                                    if (sessionStorage.fontsLoaded) {html.classList.add("fonts-loaded")
                                                    } else {html.classList.add("fonts-failed");
                                                    } '
                                  );
}
add_action( 'wp_enqueue_scripts', 'rivendellweb_enqueue_fontfaceobserver'
```

Links and References

- Enhanced Script Loader in WordPress 4.5
- Better Way to Add Inline Scripts
- wp_add_inline_script developer documentation