WEEK 6 | PROGRAMMING Introduction to Javascript

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Today's Outline

- 1. Intro to JavaScript
- 2. Basic Syntax
- 3. Conditional Statements
- 4. Loops



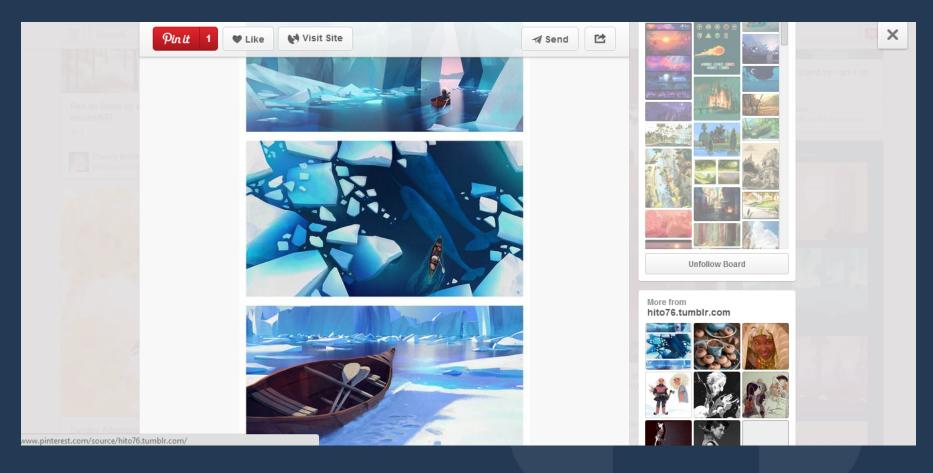
Goal Today: Learning JavaScript

- JavaScript is the scripting language of the web
- Not the same as Java!
- Like CSS, you can select elements and manipulate their actions
 - Hide/Unhide menus
 - Photo Slider (carousel)
 - Popup modals (like Facebook's Photo Viewer)
 - Form Validation
 - One-Scroll Homepage

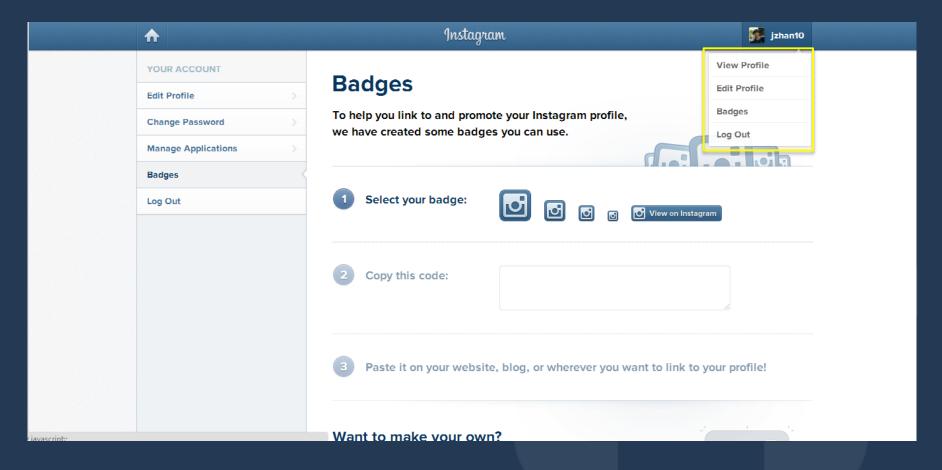
Sample JavaScript:

```
1 // Syntax highlighting
2 function printNumber()
3 {
4    var number = 1234;
5    var x;
6    document.write("The number is " + number);
7    for (var i = 0; i <= number; i++)
8    {
9         x++;
10         x--;
11         x += 1.0;
12    }
13    i += @; // illegal character
14 }
15 body.onLoad = printNumber;</pre>
```









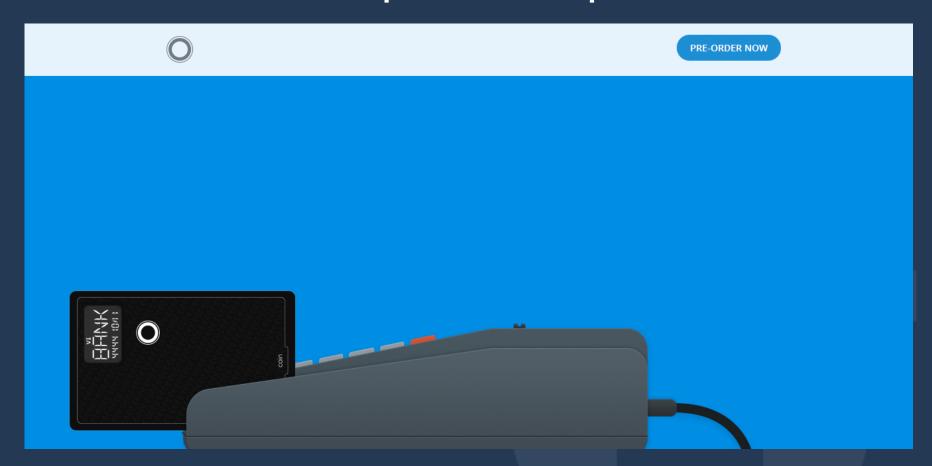




Lecture Schedule

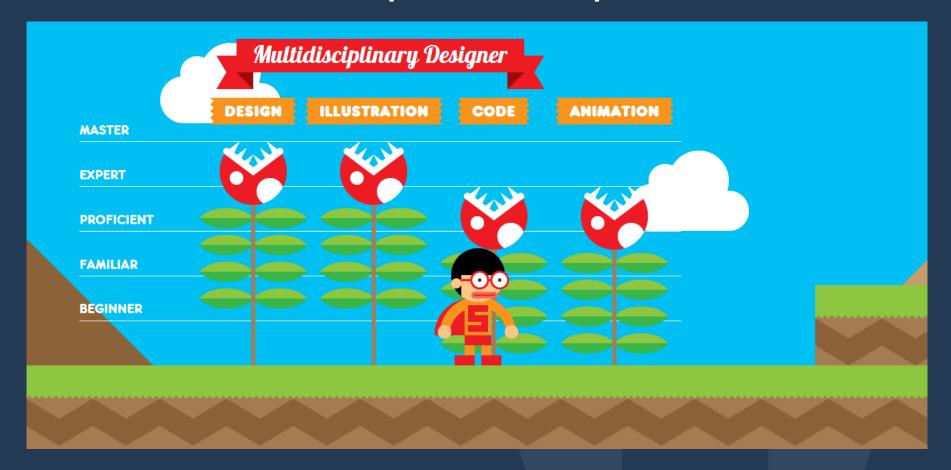
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- How to you use Javascript?
- Like CSS, you link to a separate .js file that contains your file
 - <script type="text/javascript" src="home.js"></script>
- You can also test JavaScript in Chrome's console (Inspector Element window) and on JSFiddle.net
- Let's start coding!



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> var x = "Hello World!" undefined

> alert(x) undefined

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```

Basic Syntax

- Variables
 - They take in numbers, text, booleans (true/false) and functions

```
var x = 8;
var y = "John"
var z = 'Smith'
var a = true;
Text (in computer science, we call them
"strings") can be surrounded by single or
double quotes
```

- Concatenation
 - You can add numbers or combine "strings"

```
var a = x + x;
var b = y + " " + z;
var c = 5 + " five";
Note: only use "var" to initialize (if the variable name has never been used before)
```

Basic Syntax

Shorthand increment/decrement

```
var x = 1;

x = x + 1;
// x is now 2
x += 1;
// x is now 3
x++;
// x is now 4
x--;
// x is now 3
To increment by 1, there are 3 ways:
1) x = x+1
2) x += 1
3) x++
Same goes for decrementing
x--;
// x is now 3
```

Conditionals

- If... Else...
 - If something do this, else do that

```
lf(x > 9000) {
    alert("Over 9000!");
} else {
    console.log("Weak");
}
alert(...) is a JavaScript function that
    creates a popup.
    console.log(...) outputs whatever is inside
    onto the console (e.g. Chrome's console).
    Both useful for debugging.
```

Plain If, and If...Else If... Else If...

```
if(z < 9000) {
    alert("Not Saiyan");
    } else if (z == 2000) {
    ...
```

Conditionals

- Comparisons
 - <, >, >=, <=
 - == and === (3 equal signs checks value **and** type)

```
var x = 3;
x == 3 // true
x === "3" // false
x === 3 // true
```

• And/Or - &&/||

Conditionals

Not Equal - !=, !== (not same type too)

```
if(x != y) {
...
}
```

Remember, you can use () parentheses to separate your logic. (e.g. if((x != 3) && (y != 4)))

Arrays

Variables can also store more than 1 value

Arrays

- Access an array with […]
 - First value is always the array position. Positions start at 0

```
var x = ["Porsche", "BMW", "Ferrari"];
alert(x[0]); // Will alert "Porsche"
```

Set values for an array

```
x[2] = "Tesla";
```

You can get an array's length with arrayname.length

x.length // returns 3. However, max position is 2, since we start at 0

- For Loop
 - Loop through items/arrays
 - 3 components
 - for(var i=0; i < 10; i++)
 - 1st value initializes variable. i++ increments i by 1 after loop is complete. Loop while i < 10, and stop when condition is not met.

```
var cars = ["Porsche", "BMW", "Tesla"];
for(var i = 0; i < cars.length; i++) {
    alert(cars[i]);
}
// alerts each value in cars, one by one</pre>
```

- While Loop
 - Loop through items/arrays
 - 1 component
 - while(i < 30) { ... }
 - Initialize (var i = 0) before while loop, increment (i++) inside

```
var i = 0;
while(i < 30){
    alert(i);
    i++;
}

// alerts values 0 to 29

Warning!

Warning!

If you don't increment, or don't fail the conditional statement at some point, you end up in a never-ending loop! Not good!</pre>
```

- For vs. While
 - For loops are more compact
 - But while loops are fast to type

```
for(var i=0; i<100; i++) {
    alert(i);
}

var i = 0;
while(i < 100) {
    alert(i);
    i++
}</pre>
```

Output: 0, 1, 2, ..., 98, 99

- For In Loops
 - For loops designed for arrays

```
var states = ["New York", "Florida", "Texas", "California"];
for(state in states) {
    alert(state);
}
```

Always in format "... In ...". First value is the current element in the array, starting from position 0, and loops through the array 1 by 1. Extremely popular and useful!

Functions

- Functions are a set of JavaScript code, that can perform some action, return a result, or do computation
- They take in 0 or more arguments (values to be passed in)
 - Arguments are by default type var, so arr can be any var

```
function printOddValues(arr) {
                                                  Once you have a function, you can
     var odd = true;
                                                  call it!
     for(element in arr) {
           if(odd){
                                                 var arr = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7];
                 console.log(element+" ");
                                                  printOddValues(arr);
                 odd = false:
                                                 Output: 1 3 5 7
           } else {
                 odd = true;
                                                 var arr = ["OH", "CA", "PA", "NY"];
                                                  printOddValues(arr);
                                                  Output: OH PA
```

Functions

 Functions can return values, and you can save them in a variable (for future use)

```
Let's call this function!
function calculateExp(value, times) {
     if(times < 0) {
           return -1;
                                                  var x = calculateExp(5, 3);
     } else if(times == 0) {
                                                  alert(x);
           return 1;
                                                  Output: 125
     } else {
           var count = 1, total = 0;
           while(count <= times) {
                                                  var x = calculateTimes(10, -999);
                 total += value;
                                                  if(x != -1){
                                                        alert("No neg nums please");
           return value;
                                                  Output: "No neg nums please"
```

Demo

Summary

- Syntax
 - var takes in numbers, strings, booleans, and functions
- Conditionals
- Loops
 - for & while
- Functions
 - Set of JavaScript code
- Accessing HTML
 - getElementById
 - getElementsByClassName

All lecture material, handouts, and homework can be found at: http://www.thewebdesignworkshop.co

Bonus Slides

(for those eager to start jQuery early)



- Functions and variables are cool... but can we do more with JavaScript?
- jQuery, a JavaScript library, comes in handy!
- jQuery allows you to access HTML elements and do all sort of things!
 - Click events
 - Keyboard presses
 - Scrolling animations
 - Modal popups
 - Toggling menus
 - Smoother hovers and animations
 - Etc.

- How do we add jQuery to our page?
- Either insert the first element below, or download the jQuery .js file and link to it
 - Important! Add this before any links to your own .js files!

<script src="http://code.jquery.com/jquery-1.11.0.min.js"></script>

Above: Link to an online copy of jQuery

<script src="assets/js/jquery-1.11.0.min.js"></script>

Above: Link to a local copy of jQuery

- Initializing jQuery
 - Now that we linked to the jQuery library, we can use it in our own .js files
 - To start using jQuery, use the following syntax:

```
$(document).ready(function(){
    ... your javascript here ...
});

$ - Calls the jQuery library
(document) - Selects the entire
HTML page
.ready - When all the HTML is
loaded...
function(){ ... } - ...do everything
inside this function
```

Sample

```
$(document).ready(function(){
    function add(x, y) {
        return x + y;
    }

    var total = add(3, 4);
    alert(total); // should open a popup with the number 7
});
```

- The heart of jQuery is accessing HTML elements
- Like \$(document), we use this same syntax \$(...)
 - Except in ..., we replace with the element's CSS selector
 - Example:

```
$('body')
$('.box')
$('#container .box')
$('a')

Essentially you use put in CSS selectors, wrapped in quotes, into $(...) to select an element
```

 Once you select an element, you can access different values, properties, or functions to the element

jQuery – Accessing Content

- 3 common ways to access element content
 - .text() Grabs all text inside an element
 - .html() Grabs all HTML inside an element
 - .value Grabs the value attribute or an element (useful for inputs)

You could test the above using console.log(\$('#box').text()) or alert(\$('#box').html());

jQuery – Accessing Content

- Value
 - Useful to get search results, form input, etc.

```
<input type="text" id="name"> $('#name").value → Jeff
Jeff
```

- Note: Not only can you get values, you can also set them, using =
 - E.g. Set new HTML: \$('#box').html('Yo');
 - Set text in input box: \$('#name').value = "Billy";

- Event Listeners are always on the page, "listening" for an event to occur (and react to these events)
- Events include:
 - Clicking
 - Key presses
 - Scrolling
 - Hovering (smoother than CSS)
 - Tons more

- Event Listeners are attached to jQuery selected elements
 - E.g. \$('#box').click(function() { ... });
- Syntax:
 - .click(function(){ ... });
 - .hover(function(){ ... });
 - .ready(function(){ ... }); // Remember this one?
- Always pass a function(){ ... } to an event listener! (event handlers)

```
$('#box').click(function(){
     alert("You are so cool.");
});
```

Browser binds **click** event to **#box**. It continues to "listen" as user is on page, and when user clicks on #box, a popup will appear!

More examples

```
$('#box').hover(function(){
    alert($(this).html());
});

$('.box').hover(function(){
    alert($(this).html());
});

$('.box').click(function(){
    $(this).html('Replacing');
});
```

Inside your event listener function, you can refer to the current element (say **#box**) with simply **\$(this)**.

This hover now applies to all class **box**. **\$(this)** only refers to the <u>element you hovered on</u>, not to all elements with class box!

Click on any element with class **.box**, and you replace <u>all</u>
HTML code inside the element with the text 'Replacing';

- Other useful events:
 - .toggle(function(){ ... }, function(){ ... });
 - Essentially click, but clicking once does one thing, clicking again does another
 - Useful for toggling menus

```
$('#menu-icon').toggle(function(){
    $('#menu').show();
}, function(){
    $('#menu').hide();
});
```