

jQuery4u

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jQuery code snippet to read a text file via the built in AJAX `jQuery.get()` call and then process the txt file line by line. The example adds the lines to a html element for display on page.

Important: The jQuery code will only replace the first occurrence of the word (jQuery4u) and not every occurrence like PHP's `str_replace()` would. To replace every occurrence of a string in JavaScript, you must provide the `replace()` method a regular expression with a global modifier as the first parameter as such:

```
.replace(/jQuery4u/g, 'jQuery4u FTW!');

jQuery.get('file.txt', function(data) {

    alert(data);

    $('#div').html(data.replace('\n', '<br>'));

});
```

Note: Browsers restrict access to local drives (and to server drives) for security reasons. However, you can use the standard jQuery ajax call `$.ajax()`.

Original URL:

<http://www.jquery4u.com/ajax/jquery-read-text-file/>

