

4 WAYS TO MAKE AN API CALL IN JS




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JavaScript provides a few built-in methods and external open source libraries to create and interact with API.

You can make API calls in JavaScript using various methods and libraries. Here are four common ways to do it:

1. `XMLHttpRequest`
2. `fetch`
3. `axios`
4. `jQuery.ajax()`



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XML HTTP REQUEST

javascript

```
var xhr = new XMLHttpRequest();
xhr.open("GET", "https://api.example.com/data", true);
xhr.onreadystatechange = function () {
    if (xhr.readyState === 4 && xhr.status === 200) {
        var data = JSON.parse(xhr.responseText);
        // Process the data here
    }
};
xhr.send();
```



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XML HTTP REQUEST

- XMLHttpRequest is a native JavaScript object that allows you to make HTTP requests.
- You create an instance of XMLHttpRequest, open a connection using `open()`, specify the HTTP method ("GET" in this case), and provide the API endpoint URL.
- You set up an event handler (`onreadystatechange`) to handle the response when it's received.
- Once the request is configured, you send it using `send()`.
- When the response is received (`readyState === 4`), and the status code is 200 (indicating success), you can process the data.



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FETCH

javascript

```
fetch("https://api.example.com/data")
  .then(response => {
    if (!response.ok) {
      throw new Error("Network response was not ok");
    }
    return response.json();
  })
  .then(data => {
    // Process the data here
  })
  .catch(error => {
    console.error("Fetch error:", error);
  });
```



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FETCH

- The fetch API is a modern way to make HTTP requests and returns Promises.
- You use fetch to make a GET request to the API endpoint.
- The .then() method is used to handle the response, including error checking and parsing the JSON response.
- You can chain multiple .then() blocks for additional processing.
- The .catch() block handles any errors that occur during the request.



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AXIOS

javascript

```
axios.get("https://api.example.com/data")
  .then(response => {
    // Process the data here
  })
  .catch(error => {
    console.error("Axios error:", error);
  });
```



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AXIOS

- Axios is a popular JavaScript library for making HTTP requests.
- You make a GET request using `axios.get()` and provide the API URL.
- You use `.then()` to handle the response data and `.catch()` for error handling.
- Axios simplifies the request process and automatically parses JSON responses.



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JQUERY.AJAX0

javascript

```
$.ajax({  
    url: "https://api.example.com/data",  
    method: "GET",  
    dataType: "json",  
    success: function (data) {  
        // Process the data here  
    },  
    error: function (jqXHR, textStatus, errorThrown) {  
        console.error("jQuery.ajax error:", errorThrown);  
    }  
});
```



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JQUERY.AJAX()

- If you're using jQuery, you can use `$.ajax()` to make AJAX requests.
- You specify the request details in the form of an options object, including the URL, HTTP method, data type, success callback, and error callback.
- The success callback handles the response data, and the error callback handles any request errors.
- jQuery simplifies AJAX requests but is less commonly used in modern web development due to native alternatives like `fetch`.



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