Tutorial 5: Working with Forms and Regular Expressions

Textbook Corrections

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Here is how you can add a check to see if a state has been selected. Add the code shown in blue below into form2.htm.

```
<select name="state">
   <option>(select state)</option>
   <option>AL</option>
   <option>AK</option>
   ...
</select>
```

Then add the code below shown in blue into the checkForm2 () function in the contact.js file. This will allow you to determine whether one of the states has been selected, because you can now determine if the value of the selectedIndex property of the dropdown box is still 0 (the default value) or some other value.

```
else if (document.forms[0].city.value.length == 0) {
   alert("You must enter a city name");
   return false;
}
else if (document.forms[0].state.selectedIndex == 0) {
   alert("You must choose a state");
   return false;
}
```