

# First Program

Here is a single JavaScript statement, which creates a pop-up dialog saying "Hello World!":

```
alert("Hello World!");
```

For the browser to execute the statement, it must be placed inside a `<script>` element. This element describes which section of the HTML code contains executable code, and will be described in further detail later.

```
<script>
  alert("Hello World!");
</script>
```

The `<script>` element should then be nested inside the `<head>` element of an HTML document. Assuming the page is viewed in a browser that has JavaScript enabled, the browser will execute (carry out) the statement as the page is loading.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <head>
    <title>Some Page</title>
    <script>
      alert("Hello World!");
    </script>
  </head>
  <body>
    <p>The content of the web page.</p>
  </body>
</html>
```

This basic hello World program can then be used as a starting point for any new programs that you need to create.