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| **Syntax** | **Description** | **Example** |
| $("\*") | Selects all elements | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_all2) |
| $(this) | Selects the current HTML element | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_this) |
| $("p.intro") | Selects all <p> elements with class="intro" | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_pclass) |
| $("p:first") | Selects the first <p> element | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_pfirst) |
| $("ul li:first") | Selects the first <li> element of the first <ul> | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_ullifirst) |
| $("ul li:first-child") | Selects the first <li> element of every <ul> | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_ullifirstchild) |
| $("[href]") | Selects all elements with an href attribute | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_hrefattr) |
| $("a[target='\_blank']") | Selects all <a> elements with a target attribute value equal to "\_blank" | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_hrefattrblank) |
| $("a[target!='\_blank']") | Selects all <a> elements with a target attribute value NOT equal to "\_blank" | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_hrefattrnotblank) |
| $(":button") | Selects all <button> elements and <input> elements of type="button" | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_button2) |
| $("tr:even") | Selects all even <tr> elements | [Try it](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_sel_even) |
| $("tr:odd") | Selects all odd <tr> elements |  |

## jQuery hide() and show()

With jQuery, you can hide and show HTML elements with the hide() and show() methods:

### **Example**

$("#hide").click(function(){  
  $("p").hide();  
});  
  
$("#show").click(function(){  
  $("p").show();  
});

[Try it Yourself »](https://www.w3schools.com/jquery/tryit.asp?filename=tryjquery_hide_show)

**Syntax:**

$(*selector*).hide(*speed,callback*);  
  
$(*selector*).show(*speed,callback*);

The optional speed parameter specifies the speed of the hiding/showing, and can take the following values: "slow", "fast", or milliseconds.

The optional callback parameter is a function to be executed after the hide() or show() method completes (you will learn more about callback functions in a later chapter).