

JQuery

What is it?

- A library whose purpose is to make it easier to manipulate the DOM
 - traversal
 - event handling
 - animation
 - Ajax

Syntax

```
$(selector).action()
```

Construct a jQuery object with an element or set of elements

```
$() == jQuery()
```

```
$(document).ready()
```

```
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```

```
jQuery(document).ready()
```

CSS Style Selectors

// select the element with ID header'

```
$ ( '#header ' ) ;
```

```
$ ( ' li ' ) ; // select all list items
```

```
$ ( ' ul li ' ) ; // select list items that are in  
unordered lists
```

```
$ ( ' .person ' ) ; // select all elements with a class of  
'person'
```

Many selectors!

// select all elements with href attribute'

```
$ ( ' [ href ] ' ) ;
```

// select elements with a target attribute with value
_blank

```
$ ( ' a [ target = ' _ blank ' ) ;
```

```
$ ( ' tr : even ' ) ; // select all even <tr> elements
```

```
$ ( ' this ' ) ; // select the current element
```

actions (functions)

- **Getters** - read the selection
 - operate on the first element in the selection
- **Setters** - change the selection
 - operate on all elements in the selection (implicit iteration)
 - return the selected element so they can be chained.

Create new HTML

```
$( '<p>Hello!</p>' );
```

```
$( '<p>', {  
    html: 'Hello!', 'class': 'greet'  
} ).appendTo( 'body' );
```

Working with Lists

```
// get the first list item
// on the page
var $listItem = $( 'li' ).first();
```

```
// get the siblings of the list
item var $listSiblings =
listItem.siblings();
```

```
// get the next sibling of
// the list item
var $nextSibling = listItem.next();
```

```
// get the list item's parent
var $listParent =
listItem.parent();
```

```
// get immediate children
var list = $( 'li' );
$listItems = list.children();
```

```
// get ALL list items in the list,
// including nested ones
```

```
var $allListItems = list.find( 'li' );
```

```
// find all ancestors of the list
// item that have a class of "module" var
$modules = listItem.parents( '.module' );
```

```
// find the closest ancestor of the
// list item that has a class of "module"
var $module =
    listItem.closest( '.module' );
```


style

- If you want to change the style/presentation of elements, use classes combined with CSS rules, and only use jQuery to add and remove those classes as necessary.

```
$( 'li' ).addClass( 'hidden' );
```

```
$( 'li' ).eq( 1 ).removeClass( 'hidden' );
```

Or...

```
$( 'li' ).eq( 1 ).toggleClass( 'hidden' );
```

Moving and Removing

- see `jquery_Example2.html`

Events

- Selects all list items on the page, then binds a handler function to the click event of each list item using jQuery's `.click()` method.

```
$( 'thingToAffect' ).click();  
$( 'li' ).click(function( event ) {  
    console.log( 'clicked', $(this).text() );  
});
```

Dynamically Created Events

- What if you interact with items that didn't exist when the DOM was loaded? (dynamically added)
- Use the event handler `.on()`. You can think of `.on()` as a general handler that takes the event, its selector, and an action as inputs.

```
$(document).on('event', 'selector', function() {  
    //Do something!  
});
```

```
$(document).on('click', '.item', function() {  
    $(this).remove()  
});
```

- When an event is triggered, the event handler function receives one argument, an event object that is normalized across browsers.

```
$( document ).on( 'click', function( event ) {  
    console.log( event.type );  
    console.log( event.which );  
    console.log( event.target );  
    console.log( event.pageX );  
    console.log( event.pageY );  
} );
```

Event handling function gets access to raw DOM element that initiated the event.

```
$( 'input' ).on( 'keydown', function( event ) {  
    // Change input element's background to red  
    // if backspace was pressed, otherwise green.  
  
    $( this ).css( 'background',  
                    event.which === 8 ? 'red' :  
                    'green' );  
});
```

Nested elements

- What happens when you click on an `<a>` element that's nested inside other elements?
- The click event will be triggered for the `<a>` element as well as for all of the elements that contain the `<a>` — all the way up to the document and the window.

Event delegation

Event delegation (to parent elements) allows us to bind fewer event handlers than we'd have to bind if we were listening to clicks on individual elements.

```
$( '#my-other-list a' ).on( 'click', function( event ){  
    console.log( event.target );  
    // logs the element that initiated the event  
});
```

```
$( '#my-other-list' ).on( 'click', 'a', function( event ) {  
    console.log(event.target);  
});
```