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# Common utility methods of jQuery

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**jQuery** provides several inbuilt **utility methods**. These **utility methods** uses \$.namespace and t very useful and handy for your routine programming tasks. I have put together some common **j Utility methods** to make your programming routine easy and can save your valuable time.

• **\$.isArray(Object)**: Returns true if the object is an array.

```
1  //Code Starts
2  var arrFirst = [50, 22, 10, 19, 22, 10];
3  var isArray = $.isArray(arrFirst);
4  //Code Ends
```

• \$.isEmptyObject(Object): Returns true if the object doesn't define any methods or proper

```
//Code Starts
var arrFirst = [50, 22, 10, 19, 22, 10];
var isObject = $.isEmptyObject(arrFirst);
//In this case, isObject will be false.
//Code Ends
```

• **\$.isFunction(Object)**: Returns true if the object is a function.

```
//Code Starts
function myFunc() {
  //function code
}
var isFunction = $.isFunction(myFunc);
//Code Ends
```

• **\$.isNumeric(Object)**: Returns true if the object is a number.

```
//Code Starts
var num = 1;
var isNumeric = $.isNumeric(num);
//Code Ends
```

Read "jQuery.isNumeric in jQuery 1.7"

• **\$.isWindow(Object)**: Returns true if the object is a Window. This method accepts an argulatermines whether the argument is a window. This is used in a number of places in jQuedetermine if we're operating against a browser window (such as the current window or all iframe). This returns true is object is window, otherwise false.

```
//Code Starts
(document).ready(function(){
   alert($.isWindow(window));
   var isFrame = $("#objFrm");
   alert($.isWindow(isFrame));
});
//Code Ends
```

Here objFrm is defined as an iframe.

• **\$.isXMLDoc(Object)**: Returns true if the object is an XML document. Check to see if a DON within an XML document (or is an XML document).

```
//Code Starts
(document).ready(function(){
    $.isXMLDoc(document) // false
    $.isXMLDoc(document.body) // false
});
//Code Ends
```

• **\$.type(Object)**: Returns the built-in JavaScript type for the object.

```
//Code Starts
(document).ready(function(){
   var iVal = 12;
   $.type(iVal); //number
   iVal = 'jQuery';
   $.type(iVal); //string
});
//Code Ends
```

Below is the list of types which can be returned by this method based on the value.

- boolean
- number
- string
- function

- array
- date
- regexp
- null
- undefined
- object
- \$.trim(Object): This method removes white spaces from beginning and end of the string.

```
//Code Starts
(document).ready(function(){
  var str = ' jquery by example ';
  str = $.trim(str);
});
//Code Ends
```

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Feel free to contact me for any help related to jQuery, I will gladly help you.

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