

# INTRODUCTION TO WEB DEVELOPMENT

#### Coding Course Curriculum

Week 6 - Javascript & jQuery

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How JavaScript Came About
 But wait! What even is Programming?

WHAT WE'LL COVER THIS WEEK

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1. Recap of what we learnt last week (Bootstrap)

4. JavaScript & jQuery

1. Javascript Preamble

5. So… how do I start using JavaScript?

6. And what is jQuery?

7. Getting jQuery into your website

8. Using jQuery to manipulate CSS

9. Homework

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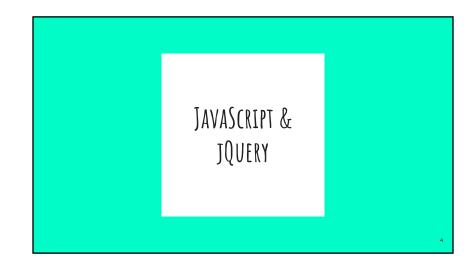
## WHAT WE COVERED IN WEEK 5 - TWITTER BOOTSTRAP

What did we learn last week?

- 1. What's hard in CSS and why do we need to fix it?
- 2. Twitter Bootstrap what it is, what problems it fixes, how to use it
- 3. Modifying Bootstrap
- 4. Even more awesome stuff!(changing social buttons, etc)

Task: Find a partner and together take a quick look through the notes from last week's session. If you're unclear on any of the concepts, work through them with your partner and an instructor

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## WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED SO FAR

- How the Web works
- How to display content using HTML
- How to style content using CSS
- How to collaborate using GitHub & Git
- How to make coding easier using Twitter Bootstrap

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## HOW JAVASCRIPT CAME ABOUT

A short history

- Tim Berners-Lee invented the Web
- Marc Andreessen realised the Web needed to be more dynamic
- He recruited Brendan Eich
- Brendan Eich decided the solution was a new programming language called JavaScript

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## WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?

- A way for humans to tell computers to do logical things
- So that humans can interact with each other using machines
- Programming languages are organised in paradigms = ways of thinking and communicating with a computer

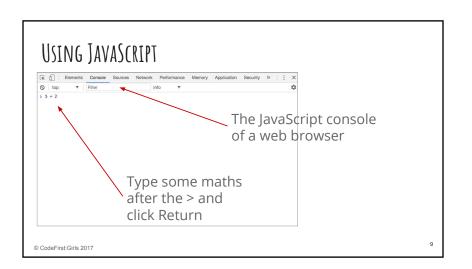
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JAVASCRIPT IS POWERFUL

- It can accommodate a range of thinking styles
- Things you define can be easily changed
- It is designed to be used for the Web
- It is a full-stack language it can be used both client and server sides

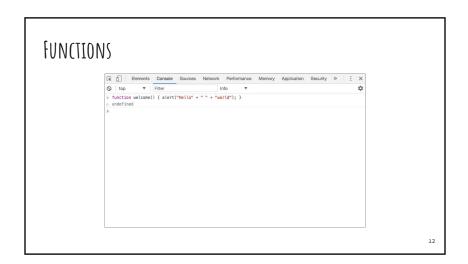
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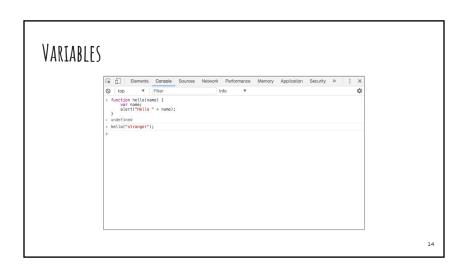
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## NUMERICAL OPERATIONS, COMPARATORS & STRINGS

- Numerical operations: +, -, \*, /, %
- **Comparators:** ==, !=, <, >, <=, >=, booleans
- Strings: ordinary text





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USING JAVASCRIPT IN A WEB PAGE

Link to a separate file like you would with CSS

<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
...
</head>
<body>
...
<script src="js/scripts.js"></script>
</body>
</html>
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## WHAT IS JQUERY?

- JavaScript is complicated to learn and a little verbose
- jQuery is a library containing ready-made JavaScript functions you can use out-of-the-box
- It will speed up development
- Unlike JavaScript it does not come with every browser
- You need to link to the jQuery library from your website pages

## GETTING JQUERY INTO YOUR WEBSITE

- Download the jQuery file, add it to your website project folder, link to the file from your HTML pages
- Link to the jQuery CDN from your HTML pages

## DOWNLOADING JQUERY

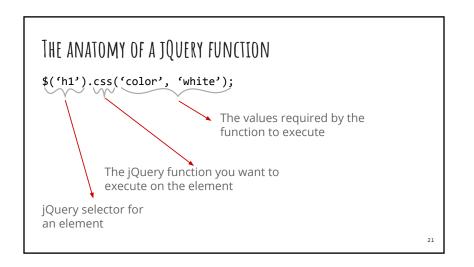
#### http://jquery.com/download/

- Download the most recent and compressed version
- Place the file in your website project folder
- Link to the file inside your HTML <head>...</head> tags

## USING THE JQUERY CDN

#### http://code.jquery.com

- Click the most recent and minified version
- Copy the link from pop-up window
- Paste link inside your HTML <head>..</head> tags







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Selecting the
                    Listening for the
                                           Reading the
                   "click" of the button
                                           value of the
 Add button
                                            input box
$("#button").click(function(event)
  var text = $("#input").val();
  $("#list").append('' + text + '');
});
                               Adding the entered value to the list
   Finding the list
      element
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## FIXING THE NAVBAR

Clicking the menu button on mobile does nothing.

It needs Twitter Bootstrap
jQuery.



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Copy THE BOOTSTRAP JS TO YOUR PROJECT FOLDER

Bootstrap folder

Exercise folder

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## ADDING THE BOOTSTRAP JQUERY FILE TO YOUR PROJECT

Make sure Bootstrap jQuery comes AFTER the jQuery library

## THE FIXED NAVBAR

Clicking the menu button on mobile now opens up the menu.

Much better.



## THE BOOTSTRAP JQUERY DOCUMENTATION

http://getbootstrap.com/javascript/

## THE ALMIGHTY AJAX (NEW SLIDE)

So we've talked about front-end / client-side and back-end, server-side, but how do we connect the two and get them talking to each other?

We have to perform an Ajax request over HTTP/HTTPS (transfer protocol).

Using AJAX, we can:

- Update webpages without having to reload them
- Request data from servers after the page has loaded
- Receive data from servers after the page has loaded
- Send data to a server during the page session, in the background

Once you have tried using jQuery on CSS and in the further notes linked above, give it a shot using the jQuery documentation here.

## USEFUL RESOURCES

- https://stackoverflow.com/
- https://www.w3schools.com/
- https://css-tricks.com/
- Ben Howdle talks about different JS Frameworks

#### CodePen/jsFiddle

CodePen and jsFiddle are sites which allows you to try out small bits of HTML, CSS and Javascript. It's a really useful tool for getting good help with JavaScript (and HTML/CSS) online: If you're having a problem:

- 1. Create a jsFiddle or CodePen showing what you've tried.
- 2. Post on StackOverflow describing the problem, with a link to the jsFiddle/CodePen.

People will be able to help you better if they can see the code themselves. Often they will respond with a working jsFiddle. (as in <a href="this.example">this.example</a>)

CodePen is used by many front-end devs to showcase their portfolios - it even has a "hire me" button.

### HOMEWORK

#### Finishing off

#### Task:

Add JS to your website. Continue to work on your first\_site until it's something you can be proud of!

#### Preparation

- Try the Command Line on Codeacademy

#### **Group Project**

#### Task:

Meet outside of class to work on your project!

Additional suggestions you could think about for your project are here.