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5 Awesome Tips & Tricks For **Promises** In JavaScript

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Using Promise.race()

A practical way to use the `Promise.race()` method is to set a time limit for a given task! By using the code below, we can run a race between our timer `Promise` and the actual request we want to make.

If our request `promise` is settled before the `timer` ends, it will be considered a `success`, otherwise, an `error` will be thrown!

```
const fakeFetch = () => new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
  setTimeout(resolve, 6000)
})

const timer = timeout => new Promise((_resolve, reject) =>
  setTimeout(() => reject(new Error("Time limit exceeded!")), timeout)
)

Promise.race([fakeFetch(), timer(7000)])
  .then(() => console.log("✅ Successful within time limit"))
  .catch(console.error);
```

2

Avoiding Nested Promises

Instead of nesting promises and creating some really bad looking code, you can use `async/await` to accomplish the same set of tasks, in a much cleaner way!

```
const sayWord = (word) => Promise.resolve(word);

sayWord('Hello')
  .then(word1 => {
    console.log(word1);
    sayWord('There')
      .then(word2 => {
        console.log(word2);
        sayWord('Everyone')
          .then(word3 => {
            console.log(word3);
            // ...
          })
          .catch(console.error);
      })
      .catch(console.error);
  })
  .catch(console.error);
```

Bad

```
const sayWords = async () => {
  try {
    console.log(await sayWord('Hello'));
    console.log(await sayWord('There'));
    console.log(await sayWord('Everyone'));
  } catch (err) {
    console.error(err);
  }
}
```

Good

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Using Promise.all()

You can easily use `Promise.all()` when you want to run multiple promises and wait for them all to be resolved successfully. Keep in mind that if one of them fails, the whole operation will be rejected!

```
const sayName = () => Promise.resolve('David');
const sayJavaScript = () => Promise.resolve('JavaScript');
const sayHello = () => new Promise(resolve => resolve('Hello!'));

Promise.all([sayHello(), sayName(), sayJavaScript()])
  .then(([greeting, firstname, language]) => {
    console.log(`${greeting} ${firstname} learns ${language}!`)
  }) // Hello! David learns JavaScript!
```

If you want to avoid having your promise rejected just because one of the passed promises fail, you can use `Promise.allSettled()` instead!

4

Using Two Callbacks In a .then Block

The `.then` block of a `promise` can actually **accept two callbacks** as its arguments.

```
const failOnPurpose = () => new Promise((resolve, reject) => {  
  reject('Yikes!');  
});  
  
failOnPurpose().then(  
  () => 'Promise Success!', // first callback (onfulfilled)  
  (err) => console.error(err) // second callback (onrejected)  
); // Yikes!
```

You can actually use the **second callback** for **error handling** purposes instead of adding a `.catch` block to your promise! Pretty cool!

5

Using Promise.any()

`Promise.any()` is similar to `Promise.race()`, the key difference being, `Promise.race()` will reject if any of the passed promises fail, while `Promise.any()` stores the first resolved promise regardless if other promises have failed!

```
const p1 = new Promise((res, rej) => setTimeout(() => res('Hello'), 500));
const p2 = new Promise((res, rej) => setTimeout(() => res('World'), 100));
const p3 = new Promise((res, rej) => rej('P3 Fail!'));

const promises = [p1, p2, p3];

Promise.any(promises)
  .then(firstResult => { console.log(firstResult) }) // World
  .catch(errors => { console.error(errors) })
```

If we replace `.any()` with `.race()`, then the error in the third promise would not allow the other promises to finish executing, but with `.any()`, the first successful promise is returned! (p2)