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class method Element.remove

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```
Element.remove(element) → Element
```

Completely removes element from the document and returns it.

If you would rather just hide the element and keep it around for further use, try <u>Element.hide</u> instead.

Examples

```
// Before:

    id="golden-delicious">Golden Delicious
```

```
id="mutsu">Mutsu
id="mcintosh">McIntosh
id="ida-red">Ida Red

And the associated JavaScript:

$('mutsu').remove();
// -> Element (and removes li#mutsu)

The resulting HTML:

id="golden-delicious">Golden Delicious
id="mcintosh">McIntosh
id="ida-red">Ida Red

id="ida-red">Ida Red
```

Warning

Using <u>Element.remove</u> as an instance method (e.g., \$('foo').remove('')) won't work when the element in question is a select element, sinceselect elements have <u>an existing remove method</u> that behaves differently from this method. As a workaround, use the generic version instead (Element.remove('foo')).

This method can be called *either* as an <u>instance method</u> or as a generic method. If calling as a generic, pass the instance in as the first argument.

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