jQuery - JavaScript Library

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jQuery is a JavaScript Library

- Why use JavaScript?
 - Build responsive User Interfaces
 - Don't need to query server for UI actions
 - Menus, input validation, navigation
 - Move processing from server to browser
 - Servers are busy, browsers idle
 - Use AJAX for partial updates
 - Render some small part of screen instead of a full page

Why use jQuery?

- Strong cross-browser support
 - Chrome, FireFox, Edge, IE, Safari, Opera
 - Includes legacy browsers
- CSS selector syntax
 - Easy to understand and use
- Extensible
 - Your custom functionality
 - Plugins, e.g., calendars, grids, ...

Basics

- \$(selector) is a factory method that creates jQuery objects matching selector
- \$(document).ready(function() {
 \$("p").click(function() {
 \$(this).hide();
 });

CSS style Selectors

- p element name
- #id identifier
- .class classname
- p.class element with class
- p a anchor that is descendant of p
- p > a anchor that is direct child of p

XPath Selectors

- /html/body//div
- A[@href]
- div[ol]
- //a[@ref="nofollow"]

all divs anywhere in body anchor with an href attrib.

div with an ordered list

any anchor with a specific value for the ref attribute

Filters

p:first

• li:last

a:nth(3)

a:eq(3)

p:even

• a:gt(3)

a:contains('click')

first paragraph

last list item

fourth link

fourth link

every other paragraph

every link after 4th

links containing word click

Chaining

- jQuery methods can be chained:
 - \$("a.contains('home')).parent().addClass("emph");

Changing Styles

- .ccs('property','value')-\$('p').css('color','maroon');
- .css({'pr1':'val1', 'pr2':'val2', ... })

Changing Markup

- \$('CSE686')
 - Creates a new text node
- \$('CSE686').insertAfter('div.chapter p');
 - Creates element and inserts after paragraph in div with chapter

Summary

- jQuery Supports
 - Selecting and modifying DOM elements
 - Adding and removing DOM elements
 - Adding, editing, and removing styles from a selected set of elements
 - Adding event handlers
 - AJAX: asynchronous JavaScript and XML
 - Communicate with server without page refresh

Selection - W3Schools.com

- Select DOM elements by:
 - DOM element, e.g., p, li, div
 - Element id name
 - Element attribute, e.g., href
 - Attribute value, e.g., href="some.htm"
 - CSS class
 - Contained text
 - Properties, e.g., hidden, animated

Events and Animation Effects

Events

- change
- click
- dblclick
- error
- hover
- keypress
- load
- mouseover
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Effects

- animate
- dequeue
- fadeIn
- fadeOut
- hide
- slideDown
- slideUp
- toggle
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Markup and Styles

HTML Methods

- after()
- append()
- attr()
- before()
- hasClass()
- html()
- insertAfter()
- remove()
- text()
- ...

CSS Methods

- addClass()
- xss()
- hasClass()
- height()
- position()
- removeClass()
- scrollLeft()
- scrollTop()
- width()

An Example

```
<script>
    $(document).ready(function () {

    /* add event handler to selected h2 */

    $("h2").click(function(event) {
        alert("got alert on heading click");
    });
    });
</script>
```

Resources

- www.w3Schools.com/jQuery
- http://jquery.com/
- Included with Asp.Net MVC
 - See Script folder