$(function() {

$('.js-form').submit(event => {

// this stops the default form submission behavior

event.preventDefault();

const userTextElement = $(event.currentTarget).find('#user-text');

$(".js-display-user-text").text(`user text is: ${userTextElement.val()}`);

userTextElement.val("");

});

})

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html lang="en">

<head>

<meta charset="utf-8">

<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width">

<title>event.preventDefault example</title>

<link rel="shortcut icon" href="#">

<link href="index.css" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />

</head>

<body>

<form class="js-form">

<label for="user-text">Add an item</label>

<input type="text" id="user-text" placeholder="Type something!" required>

<input type="submit">

</form>

<p class="js-display-user-text"></p>

<script

src="https://code.jquery.com/jquery-3.2.1.min.js"

integrity="sha256-hwg4gsxgFZhOsEEamdOYGBf13FyQuiTwlAQgxVSNgt4="

crossorigin="anonymous"></script>

<script src="index.js"></script>

</body>

</html>