Over the years, I’ve read or been recommended a number of books which are essential reading for professional web developers. I’ve compiled the list of books below to help the community find a comprehensive list of good books that can help them be better coders.

JavaScript

[AdvancED DOM Scripting: Dynamic Web Design Techniques](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1590598563?ie=UTF8&tag=rebasbl-20&linkCode=as2&camp=1789&creative=390957&creativeASIN=1590598563)

[Beginning JavaScript with DOM Scripting and Ajax: From Novice to Professional](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1590596803?ie=UTF8&tag=rebasbl-20&linkCode=as2&camp=1789&creative=390957&creativeASIN=1590596803) – The book by Christian Heilmann that really got me past the initial hump of plain ‘ole JavaScript. His writing style is awesome.

[Object-Oriented JavaScript: Create scalable, reusable high-quality JavaScript applications and libraries](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1847194141?ie=UTF8&tag=rebasbl-20&linkCode=as2&camp=1789&creative=390957&creativeASIN=1847194141) – JUST BUY THIS BOOK! Stoyan did a great job of outlining OOJS principles and it’s been incredibly valuable.

[JavaScript: The Good Parts](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0596517742?ie=UTF8&tag=rebasbl-20&linkCode=as2&camp=1789&creative=390957&creativeASIN=0596517742) – It’s certainly a good book and I would recommend reading it after one of the more intro books like JS for Web Developer by Nicholas Zakas.

[Learning jQuery 1.3](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1847196705?ie=UTF8&tag=rebasbl-20&linkCode=as2&camp=1789&creative=390957&creativeASIN=1847196705) – While covering jQuery v1.3, the techniques discussed are still useful and I still recommend the book highly.

[Pro JavaScript Techniques](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1590597273?ie=UTF8&tag=rebasbl-20&linkCode=as2&camp=1789&creative=390957&creativeASIN=1590597273) – John Resig’s famous book on advanced JS techniques.

[Secrets of the JavaScript Ninja](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/193398869X?ie=UTF8&tag=rebasbl-20&linkCode=as2&camp=1789&creative=390957&creativeASIN=193398869X) – Still not out but considering that John Resig is that author, it’s sure to be great.