Tutorial 4: Modern JavaScript

Objectives

- Practice modern JavaScript techniques, including:
 - o Populate & display data by creating HTML elements
 - Keyboard events
 - o Classes
 - o Different meaning of this and effect of bind ()

Tutorial Exercises

Exercise 1: Cards (15 mins)

Create folder tut04/cards/, with 3 files:

- card-sources.js: contains an array of links for card images
- cards.js: populate cards with links to images from card-sources.js
- index.html: html for card board with references to .js files

Task 1: Prepare cards

- In card-sources.js, create an array of links for at least 5 cards. You can start with this one:

http://acbl.mybigcommerce.com/52-playing-cards/

Task 2: Show card board

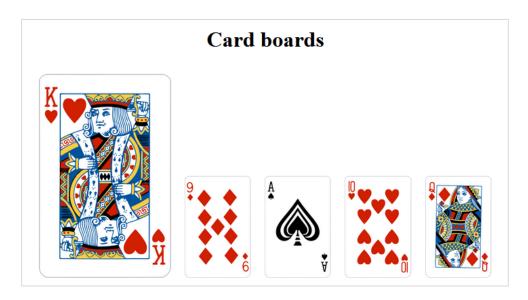
- Loop the array of images to create img elements add to the board view and display.

Task 3: Select card

- When user choose a card, it's enlarged by double of height.

Task 4: Change card

- User can click another card, but only 01 card enlarged at a time.



Exercise 2: Flash cards (45 mins)

Download & extract the *flashcards-starterpack* then rename to tut04/flashcards/, and continue with the tasks below.

- words.js: contains a dictionary of words
- script.js: populate words from words.js into flash cards

Task 1: Click events - Flip card

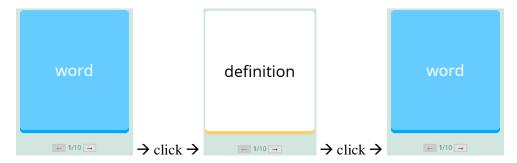
Run **index.html** in the browser, you will see a flashcard with a side for word & another for definition; however, normally you can see only 01 side at a time.

Hint: Remember the CSS class hidden?

Your task is to show a side & flip to another side when user clicks on the card.

- Listen for click event on flashcard boxes
- Create a handler function named flipCard(event) to toggle show/ hide the suitable side

Hint: CSS classList toggle class may be helpful



Task 2: Populate the cards

Loop the array of KOREAN words and create suitable HTML elements to display as a flashcard, add to the flashcard container and display.

- Create a function named createCard (word, definition) to return HTML card element from specified word & definition
- Create a function named populateCards (container) to loop the KOREAN words, invoke createCard to create card elements, add them into the container to display & return cards as array for navigating
- Update status bar with correct number of cards

You will see many cards at this step, use CSS class hidden to show only the card at the specified index (first card by default)

- Create a function named setIndex (index) to: check if valid index → hide card at the current index → show card at the specified index → enable/ disable navigating buttons based on the index

Task 3: Click events – navigate between flash cards

Create 2 handlers (functions) for click events on button: **Previous** & **Next** to navigate between cards.

Note: if current card is at index 0, button **Previous** should be disabled. Similar to button **Next** in case of showing the last card.

Hint: previousSibling() and nextSibling() may be useful.

Task 4: Keyboard events – navigate between flash cards

Handle keyboard events on 2 arrow keys (left & right) to navigate between cards.

Hint: Use the two handlers created from *Task 3*.

Exercise 3 Flash cards OOP (45 mins)

Create folder tut04/flashcards-oop/, and refactor flashcards program into classes.

Task 1: Classes

Create 3 file flashcard.js, statusbar.js and app.js for these 3 classes respectively:

- FlashCard: represents a flash card with word and definition.
- StatusBar: represents the status bar
- App: represents the application. App has a list of FlashCard, and the status bar.

Note: main.js is now to start the *App* with required parameters.

Hint: use the design of pattern 1 (pass the container element inside the class constructor)

Task 2: Communication between App & StatusBar? → NEXT WEEK

When user click on *StatusBar*, it need to notify the App to display the correct *FlashCard*. Use *custom events* to facilitate this.