

Explain the lesson coverage

Lesson Objectives



- Introduction to Selectors
- Tag Selector
- Id Selector
- Class Selector
- Attribute Selector
- Form Element Selectors
- Using Filters in Selector

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2.1 : Introduction to Selectors

Introduction to selectors



- jQuery uses same CSS selectors to style and manipulate elements on the page.
- CSS selectors select elements to add style where as jQuery selectors select elements to add behavior.
- Selectors allow page elements to be selected.
- Single or Multiple elements are supported.
- A Selector identifies an HTML element / tag that will be manipulated with jQuery Code.
- Selector Syntax
 - \$(selectorExpression)
 - jQuery(selectorExpression)

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2.2. Tag Selectors Tag Selector



- Selecting single tag takes the following syntax
 - \$('p') selects all elements
 - \$('a') selects all <a> elements
- To reference multiple tags, use the (,) to separate the elements
 - \$('p, a, span') selects all paragraphs, anchors and span elements

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It is used to locate the DOM element very fast.
 Use the # character to select elements by ID
 \$('#myID') - selects <div id="myid"> element

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2.4. Class Selectors Class Selector



- Use the (.) character to select elements by class name
 - \$('.myclass') selects <div class="myclass"> element
- To reference multiple tags, use the (,) character to separate the class name.
 - \$(`.blueDiv,.redDiv') selects all the elements containing the class blueDiv and redDiv
- Tag names can be combined with elements name as well.
 - \$('div.myclass') selects only <div> tags with class="myclass"

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2.5. Attribute Selectors Attribute Selector



- Use brackets [attribute] to select based on attribute name and/or attribute value
 - \$('a[title]') selects all anchor elements that have a title attribute
 - \$('a[title="trainer"]') selects all <a> elements that have a "trainer" title attribute value

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2.6. Form Element Selectors Form Element Selectors



- To select all input elements
 - \$(':input') selects input, select, textarea, button,image, radio etc
 - \$(':input[type="radio"]') selects all radio buttons
 - \$(':text') selects all textboxes
 - \$(`:checkbox') selects all checkboxes
 - \$(`:radio') selects all radio buttons

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2.7. Using Filters in Selector Using Filters in Selector



- :contains() will select elements that match the contents.
 - \$('div:contains("Capgemini")') selects div's which contains the text Cappemini(match is case sensitive)
- \$('element:odd') and \$('element:even') is the jQuery syntax for selecting odd and even positions respectively.

 Index is 0 based. Odd returns(1,3,5...) and Even returns (0,2,4...)
- - \$('element:eq()'), \$('element:lt()') are indexrelated selectors will select elements related to specific index (JavaScript arrays use 0-based indexing)
 - :eq(index) equal selector
 - :gt(index) greater than selector
 - :lt(index) less than selector

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2.7. Using Filters in Selector Using Filters in Selector



- \$('element:first') and \$('element:last') is the jQuery syntax for selecting the first and last element within the matched set.
- \$('span:first') returns the first span element in the DOM
- \$('element:first-child') and \$('element:last-child') is the jQuery syntax for selecting the first child and last child of every element group.
 • \$('span:first-child') returns the span which is a first child for all the groups

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jQuery Selectors

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Summary



- Selectors allow any type of HTML element to be located in an HTML Page
- Key jQuery Selector character include:
 - # for ID selection
 - . for class selection
- Mastering selectors is the key to being productive with jQuery!

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2.1: Selecting Nodes using tag name 2.2: Selecting Nodes by Element ID 2.3: Selecting Nodes by Class Name 2.4: Selecting Nodes by Attribute Value 2.5: Selecting Form Elements by type

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Answers for the Review Questions 1: A Questions 2: Selector Questions 3: A

Review Question



- Question 1 : jQuery uses CSS selectors to select elements?
 - A. True
 - B. False
- Question 2 : A ______ is used by jQuery to locate and return an element from the web page
- Question 3: With jQuery, look at the following selector: \$("div.intro"). What does it select?
 - All div elements with class="intro"
 - The first div element with class="intro"
 - The first div element with id="intro"
 - All div elements with id="intro"

