

Unit 7 Learning Diary

As always, don't forget to write your reflections on the process, challenges, and things you found about yourself in your reflective learning diary.

Reflection

What aspects of these tasks were most difficult for you, and why?

Choosing between which jQuery functions to use `.ajax`, `.get`, `.getJSON`, etc. was hard. Wasn't sure which one was the best in this scenario. I went with `.getJSON`. Googling wasn't very helpful most of developer's problems were around specific use cases.

If you had to do the tasks again, what would you do differently, and why?

I wouldn't do anything differently really, maybe mashup some more data. The solutions for solving my user's problems were fairly simple.

How did your previous experience help and/or hinder you in completing the tasks?

All AJAX calls are pretty much the same. I still struggle with dealing with CSFR problems. There's a couple solutions like returning the data wrapped in a an auto-executing JS function and some APIs have special params for it, but I don't understand how it works still.

What was the most surprising thing that you learned?

I learned more about CSFR with AJAX, but that's about it, still haven't figured it all out.

What did you learn about yourself as a result of completing these tasks?

I've learned what most developers learn after a while which is that if you write great code, it's going to save you tons of time in the future when you need to do something similar. Comparing my two AJAX functions, I was largely able to use the same functions and everything, just had to tweak for post-AJAX formatting and the API URL formatting.