

jQuery Chaining

Hello and welcome to the lesson about the jQuery Chaining. All web developers really love to take shortcuts. And now in jQuery, there is a little shortcut called chaining. Which basically lets you run multiple methods in a single statement on the same element. In this very short lesson, I would like to show you how that looks.

I'm just going to code something out right here. So I'm selecting my ID box. I could do something like `slideUp` and then `delay 2000 milliseconds`, then maybe `slideDown`. And if I save that, it slides up waits two seconds and slides down. It kind of works. It doesn't look like it could be useful for anything. But I just wanted to show you that instead of writing this like that. Instead of selecting it in a separate line, we can combine all these methods together. And the reason why this is a bad practice is because now, the browser has to look for for that element box, three times. There's no reason to make the computer compute more than it has to, right? So now if you want to be efficient and you have multiple things, you would want to do with an element, you know that you can do it together as one statement just by selecting it once and then chaining these methods together, I've added it in a separate lesson because it's just something I want you to be aware of whenever you working on animation hiding or with events anytime you want to have multiple jQuery methods used on a single, the same element you should do it this way instead of separating and re-declaring that element over and over again. And that obviously wouldn't work with different targets but if it's the same thing you're targeting that's the correct way to do it.