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## **Professional JavaScript for Web Developers** Nicholas C. Zakas

Dispels the myth that JavaScript is a "baby" language and demonstrates why it is the scripting language of choice used in the design of millions of Web pages and server-side applications Quickly covers JavaScript basics and then moves on to more advanced topics such as object-oriented programming, XML, Web services, and remote scripting Addresses the many issues that Web application developers face, including internationalization, security, privacy, optimization, intellectual property issues, and obfuscation Builds on the reader's basic understanding of HTML, CSS, and the Web in general This book is also available as part of the 4-book JavaScript and Ajax Wrox Box (ISBN: 0470227818). This 4-book set includes:

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### Derek Bridge says

If you buy just one JavaScript reference, make it this one. I am filled with admiration that one person can write so comprehensively and authoratively on this amorphous topic.

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### Frank Mcgeough says

A thorough Javascript book. Good book to learn Javascript if used in concert with the <http://www.codecademy.com> lessons. The number of examples is a bit overwhelming since they are made up of literally hundreds of small samples. You can download these but I'm not sure how useful they are as a whole. I suppose if there was one or two particular things that you wanted to dig into then it might be useful.

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### Brandon Bayer says

This is THE book to read for learning JavaScript, whether you are completely new to it or are familiar with basic usage but want to really learn and master the language. It's important to understand this book is written for ECMAScript5 (ES5) which arrived in 2009 and is completely supported in all browsers. Because of that, it doesn't cover ECMAScript6 (ES6) which is now being widely used as browsers are implementing it and especially when using the Babel build tool which converts ES6 to ES5.

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### Charlie Hebert says

Absolutely fantastic. Clearly written and very well explained. It's a dense book but incredibly rewarding. I now feel I have a much better handle on JavaScript and the browser ecosystem.

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### Enrique Sánchez says

Easy to understand, super complete and vast information on JavaScript and how it works. Excellent for anyone that seriously wants to get into JS.

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### Rob says

This book should have been sub-titled: *JavaScript The Good Parts (the long version)*

While I was reading this, I liked to imagine that I was at university and that Douglas Crockford was the insanely popular genius professor that showed up late for lectures, and then either spoke too fast or else

mumbled a lot, and then locked himself in his office refusing to answer the door during office hours while he worked on his Next Big Thing that would make everyone oooh and aaah and validate his brilliance. Meanwhile, in that same imaginary university, Nicholas Zakas was the graduate student that served as the TA to that class—and he happened to be equally brilliant and super-accessible and willing to take the time out to explain it all in a way that was thorough and comprehensible.

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### **Erica says**

This is the book I'd recommend highest for JavaScript. You want to also see JavaScript Patterns and the JavaScript Cookbook is a great reference, but this book will teach you the most and covers so much on its own.

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### **Ashlynn Pai says**

This book clarified so many different concepts and is an invaluable reference.

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### **Jorge Roldán says**

I've read the second edition of this book and it has been a great introduction to the advanced aspects of javascript. I've discovered better ways to deal with javascript in my web applications that I'm now putting in practice.

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### **James says**

The first edition of this book helped me significantly - the second edition has significantly changed and improved the way I work in JavaScript. This second edition is NOT a reprint of the first edition at all...it is new material. An excellent read and an excellent resource. Thank you, Mr. Zakas !!! Highly recommended !!!

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### **Risto Hinno says**

I haven't read many programming books but this one is best so far. It is not about become javascript master in 5-minutes. No, it is about gaining deeper understanding about javascript (book has more than 800 pages). Concepts are explained easily with executable examples. Great attention is given towards making cross-browser compatible javascript. If you want to really understand something about javascript then this book is for you.

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## Hans Le says

One of the best references for beginners on learning Javascript. Nicholas C. Zakas is one of the best authors that I recommend to find his books to enjoy the obvious words from him.

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## Risto says

I haven't read many books about programming (and about javascript) but this one is the best. It gives pretty thorough overview of javascript and how it has evolved. Also this book explains concepts in easy language and with executable examples. Also this book gives very good tips how to achieve cross-browser compatibility (and where it is nearly impossible). It is not about become javascript master in 5-minutes, it is more about gain deeper understanding in longer period (book is over 800 pages). This book is for you if you want to get deeper understanding about javascript and refine your javascript skills.

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## A-ron says

Solid and concise survey of JavaScript.

I think the title is a bit off as the book better serves a JavaScript novice rather than a professional. Other than that I am impressed with how much this book covers. Its a wide survey with enough depth to explain the fundamentals. Just what I needed to get back into JavaScript after a ten year absence.

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## Deen john says

What an amazing book !!  
Probably the most in depth Javascript book ever written !!

I have been reading the 3rd edition. I am blown away by the clarity and the in depth explanation of whatever topic discussed in this book.  
Chapter 6 on Object oriented, chapter - 10,11,12 on DOM and chapter-13 on Events are just awesome.

Probably the most in depth explanation of "Events " I could found on the internet.

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