

# JavaScript Resources

A collection of resources for Javascript developers who want to write modern, accessible, *portal-safe* JavaScript.

## Best Practices

- [Fluid's DHTML Developer Checklist](#): keyboard accessibility, ARIA, name-spacing, and other techniques
- [Namespacing your JavaScript](#) by Dustin Diaz: article on how to use closures to define your own private namespace.

## Books

- [Pro Javascript Techniques](#) by John Resig: The best source for reliable, unobtrusive JavaScript programming techniques, from the guy who wrote jQuery.
- [JavaScript: The Definitive Guide](#) by David Flanagan: The only reliable JavaScript reference book available. Period.
- [Eloquent JavaScript](#) by Marijn Haverbeke: JavaScript overview, very broad tutorial from beginner to advanced [e-book]

## News Blogs

- [eJohn](#), John Resig's JavaScript blog. Filled with tons of techniques, advice, and news.
- [Ajaxian](#): All AJAX news, all the time [blog]

## Cool Techniques

- [Lazy Function Definition Pattern](#): redefine your functions on the fly, great for init blocks [blog article]
- [A Plugin Development Pattern](#): how to create a well-encapsulated jQuery plugin
- [JavaScript Closures FAQ](#): everything you ever wanted to know about closures in JavaScript
- [Five Ajax Anti-Patterns](#): Things to avoid when using client-side Ajax
- [Seven JavaScript Techniques You Should Be Using Today](#) by Dustin Diaz: a general overview of branching (nice use of *try/catch*), redefining functions, flags, bridges, event delegation (jQuery gives you this for free), encapsulation and closure, and *creativity*.

## Accessible Javascript

- [jQuery Accessibility Board](#) [google group]
- [Key-navigable custom DHTML widgets](#): Advice on how to make your interfaces keyboard accessible.
- [Mozilla Developer Centre's ARIA Tutorial](#): An overview of the W3C's Accessible Rich Internet Applications specs.
- [Fluid's DHTML Developer Checklist](#): keyboard accessibility, ARIA, name-spacing [Fluid document]

## jQuery

- [jQuery Site](#) :: get the latest jQuery here, plus documentation [web site]
- [jQuery UI Site](#) :: get the latest jQuery UI here [web site]
- [jQuery Group](#) :: questions, answers and buzz [google group]
- [jQuery UI Board](#) [google group]
- [jQuery Accessibility Board](#) :: a working group for now [google group]