

jQuery

Developing online news packages

What is jQuery?

Web pages are made up of three elements

- HTML - content
- CSS - design
- **JavaScript - interactivity**

The problem with teaching JavaScript

- Simple tasks like manipulating a webpage take lots of code.
- Different browsers have slightly different methods of doing things, requiring coders to create fallbacks.
- Writing code, like an animation, could be inefficient or not the the best method of doing something.

jQuery to the rescue!

jQuery is a **library** written in JavaScript

- jQuery is cross-browser compatible.
- Makes performing tasks like updating the page, relatively simple.
- Less code required to introduce interactivity.

JavaScript

```
function fadeOut(elm, interval) {
  for (var i=10; i>0; i--) {
    var opacity = i/10;
    setTimeout( function(opacity) {
      elm.setStyle("-moz-opacity",opacity);
      elm.setStyle("opacity",opacity);
      elm.setStyle("filter","alpha(opacity=" +
(opacity*100).toString() );
      //set alpha values for various browsers
    }, interval);
  }
}

fadeOut(getElementById('box'), 100);
```

jQuery

```
$( '#box' ).fadeOut();
```

Where do I get jQuery?

jquery.com

OR

Link directly to the
"Content Delivery Network" (CDN)

<http://code.jquery.com/jquery-latest.js>

Where do I put the jQuery file?

All JavaScript goes in the

<script> </script>

(not to be confused with the <style> tag)

Two ways to use <script> tag:

When including an external library:

```
<script src="jquery.js"></script>
```

When writing your custom code:

```
<script>  
    //code here  
</script>
```

Don't do this:

```
<script src="jquery.js">
```

```
//AND put code here
```

```
</script>
```

Where do I put jQuery?

```
<head>  
  <title>Some page title</title>  
  <style>  
    #container{  
      width:600px;  
    }  
  </style>  
</head>  
<body>
```

```
<script src="jquery.js"></script>
```

```
<script>  
  //your jquery commands go here  
</script>
```

```
</body>
```

CSS code

jQuery Library

Your jQuery commands

Review

What is jQuery?

A **library** written in JavaScript that makes it easier to do certain tasks.

What HTML tag does jQuery need to be included in a document?

`<script>`

How do I write the `<script>` tag to include the **jQuery library** in the page?

```
<script src="jquery.js"></script>
```

How do I write the `<script>` tag to include the **jQuery custom commands** in the page?

```
<script>
```

```
//code here
```

```
</script>
```


Where do I put the jQuery `<script>` tags in my page?

At the bottom of the page, before the closing `<body>` tag. Include library first, then custom code after that.

```
<script src="jquery.js"></script>  
<script>  
    //your jQuery commands go here  
</script>
```

Understanding the syntax

Understanding the syntax

jQuery  This means 'jQuery'

What do you want to manipulate?

`$(".somebox")`

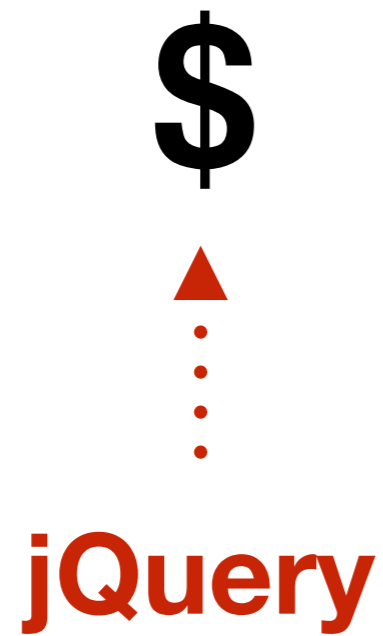
`$("#video")`

`$("#div")`



IMPORTANT: Note the **quotes** inside the parentheses

Building a jQuery selector



Building a jQuery selector

\$ ()



Parenthesis

Building a jQuery selector



Building a jQuery selector

\$ (".somediv")



CSS Selector
(class, id, or type)

jQuery *methods*

```
$("#container").doSomething();
```

jQuery **selector** jQuery **method**

jQuery *methods*

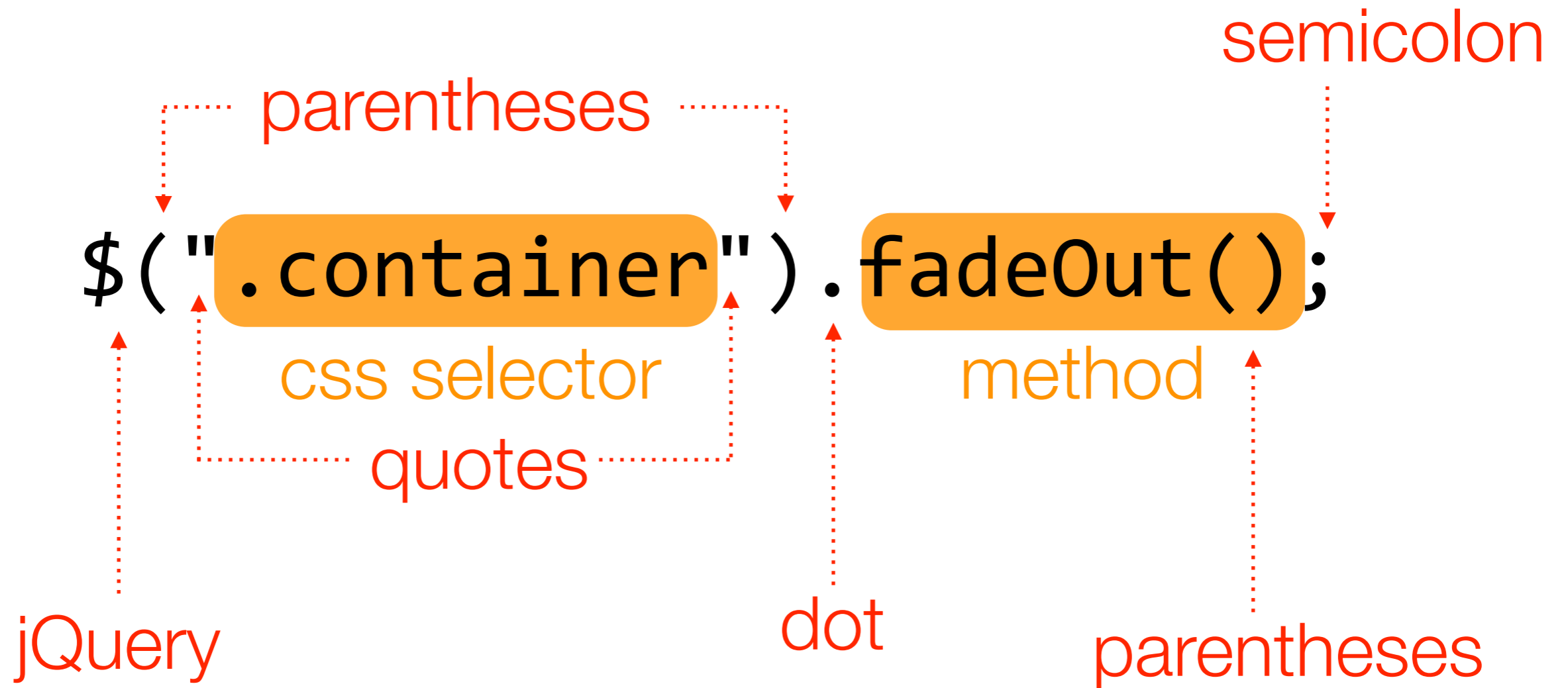
```
$(".photo").fadeOut();
```

```
$(".photo").hide();
```

```
$(".photo").show();
```

```
$(".photo").slideUp();
```

Parts of jQuery command



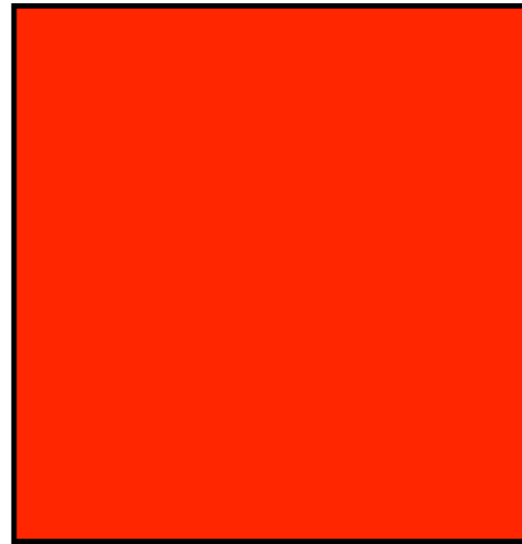
Review

From left to right, describe the jQuery statement to fade out a div element with the class name "container"

```
$( ".container" ).fadeOut();
```

jQuery in action

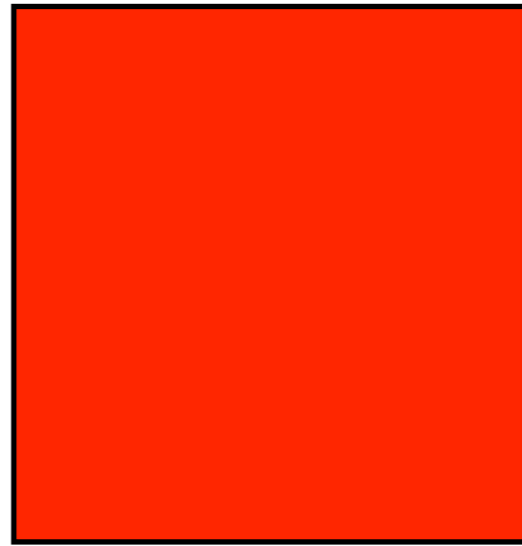
```
<div class="box"></div>
```



```
$(".box").fadeOut();
```

jQuery in action

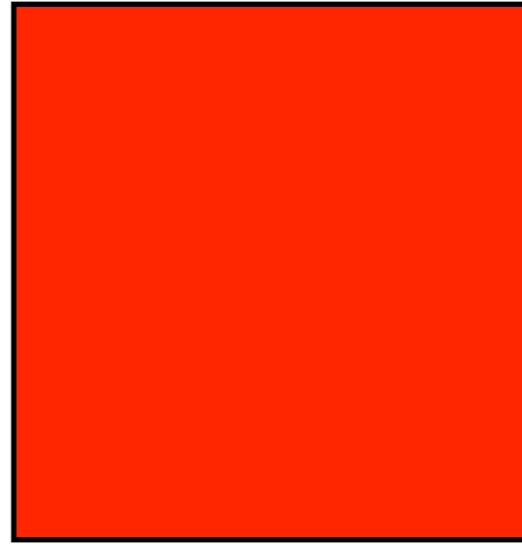
```
<div class="box"></div>
```



```
$(".box").slideUp();
```

jQuery in action

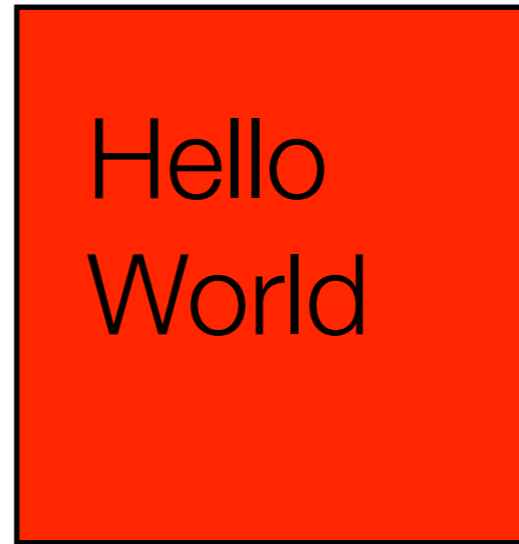
```
<div class="box"></div>
```



```
$(".box").hide();
```


jQuery in action

```
<div class="box"></div>
```



```
$(".box").text("Hello World");
```

Exercise

Parameters (arguments)

Arguments in jQuery

```
$(".container").fadeOut();
```

parentheses



Arguments in jQuery

```
$(".container").fadeOut("slow");
```

argument



Arguments in jQuery

```
$(".container").fadeOut(3000);
```

↑
argument

Arguments in jQuery

```
$(".container").text("Hello World");
```



All text has to be in quotes, unless it is some special command recognized by JavaScript.

Arguments in jQuery

```
$(".container").fadeOut(200);
```

Will fade out element with class **.container**
in 200 milliseconds

Review

Why is there a parenthesis at the end of every jQuery method?

```
$(".someclass").method();
```

To include additional information about how the command should operate

What does the following jQuery command do?

```
$(".title").fadeOut(4000);
```

Fades out some HTML element with an class attribute "title" over the course of four seconds

What's wrong with the following
jQuery command?

```
$("#footer").text(This is copyrighted);
```

When the parameter is text, it **NEEDS**
to have quotes or it won't work.

```
$("#footer").text("This is copyrighted");
```



Multiple Arguments

Multiple Arguments

```
$("#container").css("background", "red");
```

comma

1st argument

2nd argument

Multiple Arguments

comma

```
$("#container").fadeTo(5000, 0.5);
```

A diagram illustrating the use of a comma as a separator between multiple arguments in a function call. The code snippet is `$("#container").fadeTo(5000, 0.5);`. The number `5000` and the decimal `0.5` are highlighted with orange rounded rectangles. A red dotted arrow points from the word "comma" above to the comma character between the two arguments.

Review

What character symbol do I use to separate multiple parameters?

A comma

```
$(".container").css("background", "red");
```

How would I write a command to change the CSS of class box so that the text color is blue?

```
$( ".box" ).css( "color", "blue" );
```

Exercise

Functions

What are functions?

- Functions are simply blocks of code that are in a waiting queue to be run.
- Think of it as a way of saying "do the following..." but only when activated.
- Functions only run at certain times. In jQuery, a function is usually runs when a user clicks a button, or performs some type of action.

jQuery functions

wait for something to happen



```
$(".button").on("click"...
```

jQuery functions

parenthesis, which we
won't use

```
$(".button").on("click", function(){});
```

We put code inside the
curly brackets to be called
only after the event click
happens.

jQuery functions

```
$(".button").on("click", function(){});
```

```
$("#box").fadeOut();
```



Code only runs after
button is clicked.

Anatomy of a function

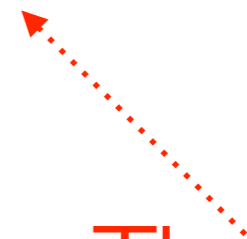
function () {}



the word
"function"



some
parenthesis
here



Then you
got some
curly
brackets
here

Anatomy of a function

```
function () {}
```

 Code goes here

Review

What's a function?

A block of code which is only run at a certain time, like after an event, such as when a user clicks on a button.

Describe all the parts of a function
from beginning to end.

```
function() {}
```

Where does the code go that should execute when this function is run?

```
function() {}
```

↑
Right here

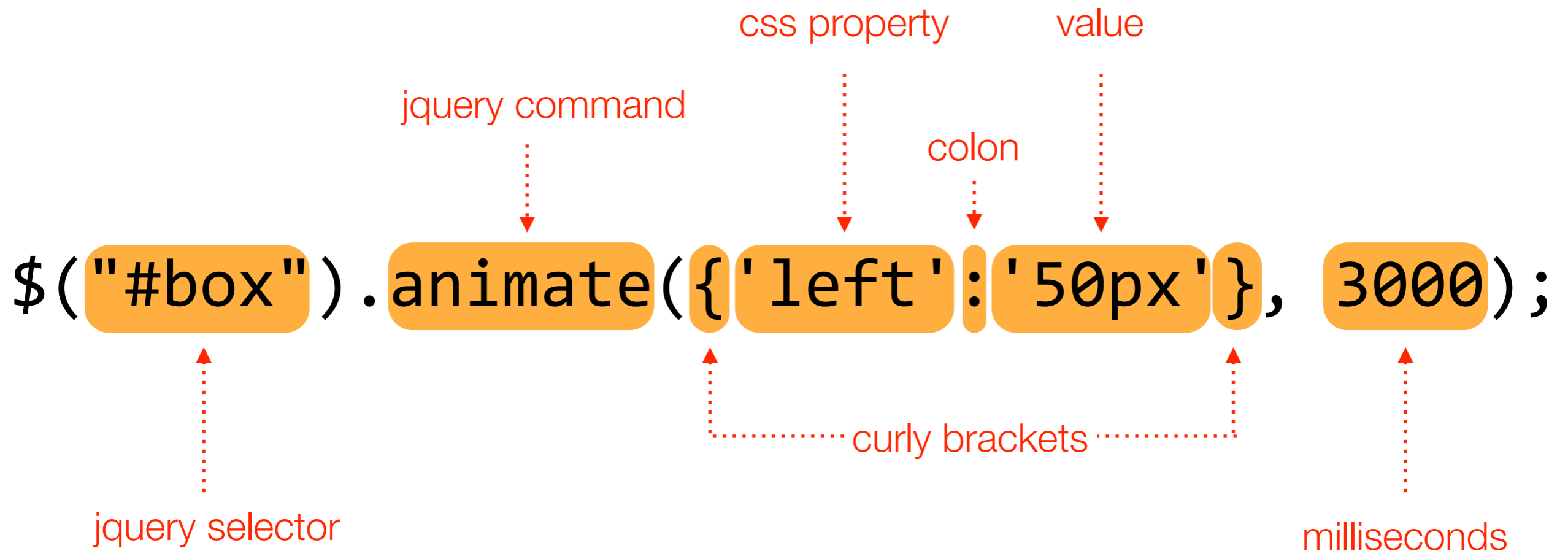
What does the following do in
jQuery?

```
$(".button").on("click", function(){  
    $("#title").fadeOut("fast");  
});
```

When the HTML element with the id attribute "button" is clicked, an element "title" will fade out quickly.

Animation

animate method



Just to expose you to this command
(don't worry about memorizing it)

jQuery "ready"

- jQuery can't do certain things like manipulate content until the entire webpage is fully loaded.
- Because web pages run from the top to bottom, we need to place a trigger to prevent jQuery from running until the web page is fully loaded.

All jQuery code goes into a
"ready" block

```
jQuery(document).ready(function($){  
  
});
```