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- Managing text processing
- Image handling
- Content management
- Processing forms and user input
- Interacting with the Internet

- Providing chat, messaging and bulletin boards
- Using MySQL, authentication and cookies
- Integrating with third party services
- Incorporating JavaScript
- Supporting diverse solutions

**The JavaScript recipes include functions for:**

- Handling basic functionality
- Changing location and dimensions of objects
- Controlling object visibility
- Creating movement and animation
- Implementing chaining and interaction
- Building menus and managing navigation
- Displaying text effects
- Embedding audio and visual effects
- Manipulating cookies, using Ajax, and managing security
- Processing forms and input validation
- Providing solutions to Common Problems

**The CSS recipes include classes for:**

- Manipulating objects
- Controlling text and typography
- Menus and navigation
- Handling page layout
- Creating visual effects
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#### From the Author

When the World Wide Web was first invented by Tim Berners-Lee, simply having a means to create hypertext links to other documents (including ones on remote computers), and to combine text and images using basic formatting, were revolutionary concepts that we take for granted today.

But slowly web developers started getting used to the initial 20 elements provided by HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) and began adding more and more features in each new specification of the language. Luckily, though, the people driving this development realized early on that if these extensions to the language were not handled sensibly, they could end up as an unwieldy, tangled web of tags. Thus HTML was created using the Document Object Model (DOM) meaning that all elements of a web page are uniquely addressable from both JavaScript and CSS.

More than that, it's also easy to insert PHP script commands into web pages too, and even integrate them with a database such as MySQL, to provide powerful back-end functionality, and the backbone of the Ajax process of behind-the-scenes communications between a web server and web browser.

In these days of widely varying browser capabilities and screen dimensions, developing code for a widening range of platforms such as iPhones, iPads, Android devices, PCs, Macs, tablets and so on, is more complicated than ever. Thankfully this book is here to help take some of that development off your shoulders, and to save you from "reinventing the wheel" by rewriting commonly-used processes yourself.

#### About the Author

**Robin Nixon** has been a writer for 30 years, producing in excess of 500 articles for many of the UK's top magazines, and has authored over 16 books. He started his writing career in the Cheshire homes for disabled people, where he was responsible for setting up computer rooms in a number of their residential homes, evaluating and tailoring hardware and software so that disabled people could use the new technology, and writing supporting documentation and articles for a selection of national publications.

After this Robin joined a large magazine publisher, where he held a variety of different editorial positions, before leaving to become a self-employed writer, and later branching out into developing websites (including the world's first licensed Internet radio station). In order to enable people to continue to surf while listening, Robin also developed the first known pop-up windows.

Robin lives on the south-east coast of England (where he writes full time), along with his five children and wife Julie (a trained nurse and university lecturer) - between them they also foster three disabled children.

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