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What I like about this and other Murach books is that within minutes of opening this book, you are developing hands-on with the technology in question, and that they are great for developers at any level--i.e., you can begin anywhere in the book, depending on your proficiency, and get going immediately. I am familiar with JavaScript but not jQuery, so in this case, I began with Chapter 5, Get off to a fast start with jQuery. The explanations and examples were so clear that I was able to add flip-on-hover effects to my site within minutes.

--Charles Zimmerman

I just finished a pretty heavy application project, the first serious work I have done with jQuery and Ajax. Along the way, I had to deal with preloading images, manipulations of the DOM, tabs, plugins and Dialogs. I had some elementary foundations to start with, but this was the first time I had to accelerate into some of the more advanced topics and best practices.

To make a long story short, I kept Murach's jQuery (2nd Edition) at my side throughout the entire project. It was indispensable to me. The answers were right there at every turn. All the examples made sense to me, and they all worked!

Beyond just serving as a good reference, I appreciate the teaching and presentation style used in this book. Coming from 20 years of database focus, this book was just right for me as I plowed headfirst into the other application tiers that I have always avoided in the past.

--Alan Vogt, ETL Consultant, Information Builders, Inc., Wakefield, Massachusetts

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Zak Ruvalcaba has been researching, designing, and developing for the web since 1995. As a full-time web developer, he's developed web applications for companies like Gateway, HP, Toshiba, IBM, Intuit, Peachtree, Dell, and Microsoft. As a full-time instructor, he's headed up the Front-End Web Developer Certificate Program in the San Diego Community College District, where he's responsible for running the program and developing the curriculum.

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