Fundamentals of JavaScript

Overview of JavaScript

- Role in Web development
- Difference between object-oriented (like Java) and object-based (like JavaScript) languages
- Incorporation of JavaScript in an HTML page

JavaScript Syntax

- Variables
- Statements and operators
- Built-in Window methods
- Literals

Writing your own functions

- Deferred vs. non-deferred code
- Function syntax
- Calling functions argument passing
- Scoping rules

BOM and the DOM

- JavaScript Object Model
- Browser Object Model
- Document Object Model
- Document object
- Using methods and accessing properties within the DOM

Controlling Program flow and Error Handling

- Various looping techniques
- If and switch statements
- Try-catch clauses

Forms and events

• Working with and validating forms

- Working with form elements
- Add event handlers
- Event object

Built-in Objects

- Strings
- Dates
- Math Object
- Arrays

Maintaining State

- Overview of state issues
- Cookies
- Saving
- Reading

JavaScript and Images

- Image object
- Managing images
- Rollovers

More on Arrays

- FIFO vs. LIFO array handling
- Sorting
- Associative arrays

Appendix

- Browser issues
- JavaScript versions
- Best Practices
- Recommended references