

Example of Yahoo! Web Service Use Through Proxy

Adapted from example by Mark Pruett *

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1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
    <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"
        "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
    <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="en" lang="en">
5  <head>
    <title>
        Yahoo Search via Proxy
        -- Example adapted from Mark Pruett's Ajax and Web Services book
    </title>
10  <style type="text/css">
    /*<![CDATA[*/
        .centre {margin-left:auto; margin-right:auto}
    /*]]>*/
15  </style>

    <script type="text/javascript" src="ajax-simple.js" />
    <script type="text/javascript">
        /*<![CDATA[
20        var ajax_xml;
        var xml;

        function el(id) {
            return document.getElementById(id);
25        }
    </script>
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*Full citation is at end of document.

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function so_clearInnerHTML(obj) {
    // This function is from Steven G. Chipman's SlayerOffice website
30    // (URL: http://slayeroffice.com/code/functions/so_clearInnerHTML.html)
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    while(obj.firstChild) {
        obj.removeChild(obj.firstChild);
    }
40
}

function clear_form () {
    so_clearInnerHTML(el("htmldisplay"));
    el("txtQuery").value = "";
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}

function get_xml (me) {
    xml = me.responseXML;
50    xml2html ("htmldisplay");
}

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55     function start_search () {
        ajax_xml = new Ajax ("/ysearch/webSearch?",
                               "appid=YOURAPPID"
                               + "&format=any&similar_ok=0"
                               + "&query=" + escape(el("txtQuery").value)
60         + "&adult_ok=0&results=5&start=1",
                               "GET",
                               get_xml);
        ajax_xml.request ();

65     var htmldisplay = el("htmldisplay");
        so_clearInnerHTML(htmldisplay);
        htmldisplay.appendChild("Searching...");
    }

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70     function xml2html (divname) {
        var html = "";
        var doc = xml.documentElement;
        var items = doc.getElementsByTagName('Result');

75     for (var i=0; i < items.length; i++) {
        var title    = items[i].getElementsByTagName('Title')[0];
        var link     = items[i].getElementsByTagName('ClickUrl')[0];
        var reallink = items[i].getElementsByTagName('Url')[0];
        var desc     = items[i].getElementsByTagName('Summary')[0];
80     var descstr   = desc.firstChild.data;

        html += "<p><strong>"
            + eval(i+1) + ". "
            + "<a href='"
85     +     link.firstChild.data
            + "'>"
            +     title.firstChild.data
            + "<\/a><\/strong>"
            + "<br />"
90     + "<span style='font-size='small'>"
            +     descstr
            + "<\/span>"
            + "<br />"
            + "<span style='font-size:x-small'>"
95     +     "<a href=\"\"
            +         reallink.firstChild.data
            +     "\">\" reallink.firstChild.data
            +     "<\/a><\/span><\/p>";

        }

100     var target_div = el (divname);

        target_div.appendChild(html);
    }
105 //]]>
    <\/script>
<\/head>

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110     <body>
        <noscript>
            <p>
                This example requires JavaScript which you do not have enabled.
            </p>
        </noscript>
115     <form method="get" action=""
        onsubmit="start_search(); return false">
        <div class="centre">
            <h3>Yahoo Search via Proxy</h3>
120         <p>
                This example uses Apache's ProxyPass rules to redirect a web
                service request to a server on a separate domain as s demonstration
                of one method to circumvent XMLHttpRequest's domain restrictions.
            </p>
125         <p>
                <input type="text" size="60" name="txtQuery" id="txtQuery" />
            </p>
130         <p>
                <input type="submit" value="Search" />&nbsp;
                <input type="button" value="Clear" onclick="clear_form();" />
            </p>
        </div>
135     <div id="htmldisplay"></div>
        </form>
    </body>
</html>

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References

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Yahoo! example adapted (almost quoted) from 'Listing 4. A Yahoo! Search example using a simple proxy' (pages 28 and 29).
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