Exercises: Ajax Development Tools

1. See if Firebug is already installed in Firefox. If not, install it from http://getfirebug.com/. You can always disable or uninstall it later, but try it and I think you will be glad you did. I leave Firebug permanently installed on all my computers, but I set it to only be enabled for localhost and my test site.

2. After running either of the Ajax problems from the previous exercises, use Firebug to look at the data that went back and forth across the network. Also use Firebug to examine the HTML DOM before and after you used innerHTML to insert the text.

3. Open the Firebug console and try interactively typing in some JavaScript variables and functions. Try interactively calling “alert”.

4. Look at the HTML from one of your exercises that used innerHTML, and note the id. (If you haven’t yet completed an exercise, just make <div id="test"/>). Then, open the Firebug console and type the following:

```javascript
document.getElementById("yourID").innerHTML = "<h1>Blah</h1>";
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