

Re: Opening Tree Lists and other DOM

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Unfortunately sites that make heavy use of scripting and dhtml, sometimes do have problems with even the best current PPC browsers, from the errors you're listing it sounds the sites you're interested in are in that category. Unfortunately it's not something that can be fixed with add-ons, it's down to fairly fundamental differences in the implementations of various "standards". Such differences exist between the major desktop browsers too, it's just that web developers (usually) take those differences into account, unfortunately there just aren't enough PPC users for them to be similarly friendly to PPC browsers.

Your best hope is that a better browser becomes available in the near future – the Mozilla people are working on a PPC version of the Mozilla browser called Minimo, which isn't in a useable state yet, but it may be in a few months, and looks promising.

Right now, if you can't make NetFront work, nothing else will. Pocket IE does not, and can't be made to, support Java or Flash, and only supports a subset of JavaScript, while NetFront supports Java, JavaScript and Flash (from version 3.2). You can try setting the user-agent string in NetFront to masquerade as IE6 or Netscape, you can get some troublesome sites to work that way. Other than that, you may be out of luck I'm afraid.

Tony

David Bail wrote:

- > Tony, thanks so much for your speedy reply! (I did forget to mention
- > that I have also downloaded Sun's J9 java). The two sites I'm having
- > the problem with are both universities where I teach online, and
- > unfortunately are password protected.
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- > The first is www.capella.edu, which uses WebCT as its platform and
- > requires only IE 5.5 or better along with jre 1.4.7 or better.
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- > The second is www.westwoodonline.edu which uses IE but will accept
- > Opera, Mozilla, or Firefox, but not NetFront.
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- > Each of these sites is rich with tree list menus that open either
- > lists of posted items (links) or that open new windows with threaded
- > discussion groups. I have just implemented MultiIE's show java error

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> options, and on the westwoodonline site (the Capella site won't even
> load the front screen), here are the errors I get:
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> 1. As the mentoring (new employee) course homepage
> (<http://westwood.college.com>) loads,
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> the first Jscript runtime error is Microsoft JScript runtime error
> Line: 1 Character: 11 Error: Object doesn't support this property or
> method Source: (null), but after clicking OK the page finishes
> loading apparently successfully.
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> Since this page is full of frames, I then go to just one of the
> frames, this one being the main course navigation page with a menu
> list of button icons each labeled with a week number. As this frame
> opens, the message is Microsoft JScript runtime error Line:4
> Character: 0 Error: 'top.Content' is null or not an object Source:
> (null)
> Then, clicking on one of the week icons, the next message is:
> Microsoft JScript runtime error Line: 47 Error:
> 'document.body.scrollTop' is null or not an object Source: (null).
> With MultiIE, if I ask it to open in a new frame, the message is: The
> url is not properly formatted. Please verify that you have entered
> the address correctly. When I hit OK, the whole IE program bombs. the
> url in that second window had been <http://javascript:%20void%20>.
> I seem to recall reading somewhere (About.com About Web Development)
> about Microsoft purposefully shipping Windows Mobile 2003SE without
> full java so as to have a smaller "footprint." But this isn't
> functional! There must be a solution – I hope! I've been at this for
> about a month. I bought this Pocket PC (Audiovox XV6600) so I could
> travel without the laptop and still teach classes.
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> Thanks so much for your help!
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> Dave
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> "Tony A." <what@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
> [news:Oa1we.14013\\$BD2.5982@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](news:Oa1we.14013$BD2.5982@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
>> David, please feel free to shoot me down if I'm being condescending,
>> but I want to question a couple of basics, because it sounds to me
>> like you're 100% clued up in this area. The reason I say that is
>> that as far as I can tell, you're looking for Java applet support in
>> your web browser, but most of the things you say you've downloaded
>> won't help you with that because they don't integrate with the
>> browser. SuperWaba isn't really Java at all, it's programming syntax
>> is Java, but Java apps won't execute on the SuperWaba runtime or
>> vice versa, same goes for Ewe. This makes me question whether
>> a) you're absolutely sure that Java is the problem with the sites
>> you're trying to use. It'd help if you gave an example, unless
>> they're on a private network.
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>> b) you're sure you had the Java-enabled version of NetFront when you

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>> tried it, and that you had the Java plugin turned on (it's disabled
>> by default). NetFront runs the majority of applets I come across (I'm
>> looking at
>> the demos of that jpowered.com treeview applet you linked to right
>> now for example, works fine), so if I were you I'd post an example
>> or two of the sites you're having trouble with, someone will soon
>> tell you whether you have any chance of running them on a PPC or
>> not, and/or reinstall NetFront and double check that you have the
>> settings right. Tony
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>> David Bail wrote:
>>> I had tried NetFront and even ThunderHawk II, but neither worked.
>>> Since then, I have also downloaded SuperWaba but to no avail.
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>>> I found a web site that seems to relate to what I need to do, but it
>>> is on the developer side:

- **Follow-Ups:**

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- **References:**

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