

# jQuery :first-child Selector

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## Example

<p> .

```
<body>

  <p>The first paragraph in body.</p> <!--      -->

  <div style="border: 1px solid blueviolet">
    <p>The first paragraph in div.</p> <!--      -->
    <p>The last paragraph in div.</p>
  </div><br>

  <div style="border: 1px solid navy">
    <span>This is a span element.</span>
    <p>The first paragraph in another div.</p>
    <p>The last paragraph in another div.</p>
  </div>

  <p>The last paragraph in body.</p>

  <script>
    $(document).ready(function () {
      $("p:first-child").css("background-color", "lightgreen");
    });
  </script>

</body>
```

# Definition and Usage

**:first-child**

**Tip:** :last-child

## Syntax

```
$(".:first-child")
```

## Example

<div>                      <p>

```
<body>

  <p>The first paragraph in body.</p>

  <div style="border: 1px solid blueviolet">
    <p>The first paragraph in div.</p> <!-- -->
    <p>The last paragraph in div.</p>
  </div><br>

  <div style="border: 1px solid navy">
    <p>The first paragraph in another div.</p> <!-- -->
    <p>The last paragraph in another div.</p>

  <p>The last paragraph in body.</p>

  <script>
    $(document).ready(function () {
      $("div p:first-child").css("color", "red");
    });
  </script>

</body>
```

## Example

**:first**   **:first-child**

```
<body>

  <button id="btn1">:first</button>
```

```

<button id="btn2">:first-child</button>

<div style="border: 1px solid blueviolet">
  <p>The first paragraph in div.</p> <!-- p:first & p:first-child -->
  <p>The last paragraph in div.</p>
</div><br>

<div style="border: 1px solid navy">
  <p>The first paragraph in another div.</p><!-- p:first-child -->
  <p>The last paragraph in another div.</p>

<script>
  $(document).ready(function () {
    $("#btn1").click(function () {
      $("p:first").css("background-color", "red");
    });
    $("#btn2").click(function () {
      $("p:first-child").css("background-color", "skyblue");
    });
  });
  $("#btn2")
</script>

</body>

```

## Example

 **Fix Me!** :first, :first-child, :first-of-type

```

<body>

<p>The first paragraph in body, and the first child in div.</p>

<div style="border:1px solid red;">
  <p>The first paragraph in div, and the first child in div.</p>
  <p>The last paragraph in div, and the last child in div.</p>
</div><br>

<div style="border:1px solid blue;">
  <span>This is a span element, and the first child in this div.</span>
  <p>The first paragraph in another div, and the second child in this
div.</p>
  <p>The last paragraph in another div, and the third child in this
div.</p>
  <span>This is a span element, and the last child in this div.</span>
</div><br>

<div style="border:1px solid violet">
  <p>The first paragraph in another div, and the first child in this
div.</p>

```

```
<p>The last paragraph in the another div, and the last child in this
div.</p>
</div><br>

<p>The last paragraph in body, and the last child in div.</p>

<button>:first</button>
<button>:first-child</button>
<button>:first-of-type</button><br><br>

<script>
$(document).ready(function () {
  $("button").click(function () {
    var btn = $(this).text();
    $("p").css("background-color", "white");
    $("p" + btn).css("background-color", "yellow");
  });
});
</script>

</body>
```

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