



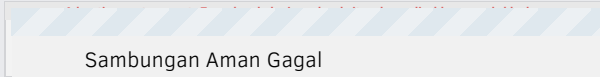
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# jQuery Typeahead Search: Documentation

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Learn how to use the JavaScript Typeahead Search wrapped in a jQuery plugin.

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## Installation

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Use Bower package manager to get Typeahead



```
# Get the latest version
$ bower install jquery-typeahead
```

OR



```
# Get the latest version
$ npm install jquery-typeahead
```

Required

- jQuery 1.7.2 and above because of `.on` event handler - [Download](#)
- Latest Typeahead plugin 2.10.4 - [Download](#)

```
1 <html>
2 <head>
3   ...
4   <!-- Optional CSS -->
5   <link rel="stylesheet" href="/vendor/jquery-typeahead/dist/jquery.typeahead.min.css">
6
7   <!-- Required JavaScript -->
8   <script src="https://code.jquery.com/jquery-2.1.3.min.js"></script>
9   <script src="/vendor/jquery-typeahead/dist/jquery.typeahead.min.js"></script>
10  ...
11 </head>
```

## Initialization

There are 2 ways to initialize the typeahead search:

- Call the `$.typeahead()` function with the `input` option configured (recommended)

```
1 $.typeahead({
2   input: ".js-typeahead",
3   order: "asc",
4   source: {
5     groupName: {
6       // Ajax Request
7       ajax: {
8         url: "..."
9       }
10    }
11  },
12  callback: {
13    onClickBefore: function () { ... }
14  }
15 });
```

OR

- Create a jQuery object using a **unique input** selector. Then chain the `$.typeahead()` function containing parameters as an object.

```
1 $(".js-typeahead").typeahead({
2   order: "asc",
3   source: {
4     groupName: {
5       // Array of Objects / Strings
6       data: [ {...}, {...} ]
7     }
8   },
9   callback: {
10    oninit: function () { ... }
11  }
12 });
```

## HTML Structure and CSS

The Typeahead plugin requires a specific HTML structure. This offers some advantages:

- Easy HTML integration
- Default styling using `/dist/jquery.typeahead.min.css`
- Bootstrap 3 and 4 ready
- \* As of 2.5.0 Typeahead is using the **BEM** css standards

```
1 <form>
2   <div class="typeahead_container">
3     <div class="typeahead_field">
4
5       <span class="typeahead_query">
6         <input class="js-typeahead"
7           name="q"
8           type="search"
9           autocomplete="off">
10
11       </span>
12       <span class="typeahead_button">
13         <button type="submit">
14           <span class="typeahead_search-icon"></span>
15         </button>
16       </span>
17     </div>
18   </div>
19 </form>
```

## Configuration

The user's configuration object will be merged with the default plugin configuration.

```

1  /*
2  * @private
3  * Default options
4  */
5  var _options = {
6    input: null, // *RECOMMENDED*, jQuery selector to reach Typeahead's input for initialization
7    minLength: 2, // Accepts 0 to search on focus, minimum character length to perform a search
8    maxLength: false, // False as "Infinity" will not put character length restriction for search
9    maxItem: 8, // Accepts 0 / false as "Infinity" meaning all the results will be displayed
10   dynamic: false, // When true, Typeahead will get a new dataset from the source option on every keypress
11   delay: 300, // delay in ms when dynamic option is set to true
12   order: null, // "asc" or "desc" to sort results
13   offset: false, // Set to true to match items starting from their first character
14   hint: false, // Added support for excessive "space" characters
15   accent: false, // Will allow to type accent and give letter equivalent results, also can be disabled
16   highlight: true, // Added "any" to highlight any word in the template, by default true will only highlight the first word
17   multiselect: null, // Multiselect configuration object, see documentation for all options
18   group: false, // Improved feature, Boolean, string, object(key, template (string, function))
19   groupOrder: null, // New feature, order groups "asc", "desc", Array, Function
20   maxItemPerGroup: null, // Maximum number of result per Group
21   dropdownFilter: false, // Take group options string and create a dropdown filter
22   dynamicFilter: null, // Filter the typeahead results based on dynamic value, Ex: Players based on position
23   backdrop: false, // Add a backdrop behind Typeahead results
24   dropdownOnFocus: false, // Display the backdrop option as the Typeahead input is :focused
25   cache: false, // Improved option, true OR 'localStorage' OR 'sessionStorage'
26   ttl: 360000, // Cache time to live in ms
27   compression: false, // Requires LZString library
28   searchOnFocus: true, // Display search results on input focus
29   blurOnTab: false, // Blur Typeahead when Tab key is pressed, if false Tab will go through search results
30   resultContainer: null, // Allows search in multiple item keys ["display", "display2"]
31   generateOnLoad: null, // Forces the source to be generated on page load even if the input is not focused
32   mustSelectItem: false, // The submit function only gets called if an item is selected
33   href: null, // String or Function to format the url for right-click & open in new tab or window
34   display: ["display"], // Display template of each of the result list
35   template: null, // Set the input value template when an item is clicked
36   templateUrl: null, // Set a custom template for the groups
37   filter: true, // Set to false or function to bypass Typeahead filtering. WARNING: accent,
38   correlateTemplate: false, // Compile display keys, enables multiple key search from the template string
39   emptyTemplate: false, // Display an empty template if no result
40   cancelButton: true, // If text is detected in the input, a cancel button will be available to reset the input
41   loadingAnimation: true, // Display a loading animation when typeahead is doing request / searching for results
42   matcher: true, // Set to false or function to bypass Typeahead filtering. WARNING: accent,
43   matcher: null, // Add an extra filtering function after the typeahead functions
44   source: null, // Source of data for Typeahead to filter
45   callback: {
46     onInit: null, // When Typeahead is first initialized (happens only once)
47     onReady: null, // When the Typeahead initial preparation is completed
48     onShowLayout: null, // Called when the layout is shown
49     onHideLayout: null, // Called when the layout is hidden
50     onSearch: null, // When data is being fetched & analyzed to give search results
51     onResult: null, // When the result container is displayed
52     onLayoutBuiltBefore: null, // When the result HTML is built, modify it before it get showed
53     onLayoutBuiltAfter: null, // Modify the dom right after the results gets inserted in the result container
54     onNavigateBefore: null, // When a key is pressed to navigate the results, before the navigation
55     onNavigateAfter: null, // When a key is pressed to navigate the results
56     onEnter: null, // When an item in the result list is focused
57     onLeave: null, // When an item in the result list is blurred
58     onClickBefore: null, // Possibility to e.preventDefault() to prevent the Typeahead behaviors
59     onClickAfter: null, // Happens after the default clicked behaviors has been executed
60     onDropdownFilter: null, // When the dropdownFilter is changed, trigger this callback
61     onSendRequest: null, // Gets called when the Ajax request(s) are sent
62     onReceiveRequest: null, // Gets called when the Ajax request(s) are all received
63     onPopulateSource: null, // Perform operation on the source data before it gets in Typeahead data
64     onCacheSave: null, // Perform operation on the source data before it gets in Typeahead cache
65     onSubmit: null, // When Typeahead form is submitted
66     onCancel: null, // Triggered if the typeahead had text inside and is cleared
67   },
68   selector: {
69     container: "typeahead_container",
70     result: "typeahead_result",
71     list: "typeahead_list",
72     group: "typeahead_group",
73     item: "typeahead_item",
74     empty: "typeahead_empty",
75     display: "typeahead_display",
76     query: "typeahead_query",
77     filter: "typeahead_filter",
78     filterButton: "typeahead_filter-button",
79     dropdown: "typeahead_dropdown",
80     dropdownItem: "typeahead_dropdown-item",
81     labelContainer: "typeahead_label-container",
82     label: "typeahead_label",
83     button: "typeahead_button",
84     backdrop: "typeahead_backdrop",
85     hint: "typeahead_hint",
86     cancelButton: "typeahead_cancel-button"
87   },
88   debug: false // Display debug information (RECOMMENDED for dev environment)
89 };

```

Option	Type	Description
input	(string) (optional)	The jQuery input selector is only required if the Typeahead was initialized without a jQuery object. In that case, if no input is provided, the Typeahead is dropped.
minLength	(numeric)	<b>2</b> (default) The number of characters typed inside the search input before searching for results. It is possible to set this option to <code>searchOnFocus: true</code> to display a set of results by default.
maxLength	(numeric)	<b>false</b> (default) The maximum number of characters typed inside the input to perform a search.
maxItem	(numeric)	<b>8</b> (default) The maximum number of search results that will appear inside the list. Set 0 to display ALL search results. It is possible to combine <code>maxItem</code> with <code>maxItemPerGroup</code> to get different results. <pre> 1 // Only 8 results will be displayed 2 // Could be 6 from group1 and 2 from group2 (8 results) 3 maxItem: 8, 4 source: { 5   group1: {}, 6   group2: {}, 7   group3: {}, 8   group4: {} 9 } 10 11 // Display "Infinity" number of results until 8 item per group is reached 12 // Could be 8 from group1, 4 from group2, 1 from group3 and 8 from group4 (21 results) 13 maxItem: 0, 14 maxItemPerGroup: 8, 15 source: { 16   group1: {}, 17   group2: {}, 18   group3: {}, 19   group4: {} 20 } </pre>
dynamic	(boolean)	<b>false</b> (default) By default, the typeahead will only load once the <code>source</code> data. Although you can change this behavior and request the data on every "input" event (similar to keypress). - <a href="#">Demo</a> * Note that you can modify the Ajax request to send the query with <code>{query}</code> modifier.
delay	(numeric)	<b>300</b> (default) If <code>dynamic: true</code> , the delay (in milliseconds) will add a timer to prevent from sending a request on every key typed. In that case, the request will only be sent once the delay expires.
order	(null   string)	<b>null</b> (default) Takes the default order in which the data was given. If "asc" or "desc" is set, they results will re-order based on <code>display</code> property. asc Reorder the result set ascending

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offset (boolean)

hint (boolean|object)

**desc**  
Reorder the result set descending

**false** (default)  
The position of the matched query can be anywhere inside the result string

**true**  
The query can only be match if the result string starts by the query characters.

**false** (default)  
No hint is activated

**true or css object**  
A suggestion text will appear if there is an item inside the result list that starts by the user query, also pressing the right search input text will autocomplete the query with the suggested hint and call `callback.onClickBefore` with the selected item



accent (boolean|object) **Advanced**

**false** (default)  
If enabled, the query and search results will ignore accents (àáâãäåæçèéêëëìíîïðóôõöùúûüñ) and display every matches with the original punctuation. Ex: é = e, Å = a, etc.  
It is possible to set a custom accent object, by simply setting `from` and `to` keys  
\* Using this option on large data sets (10,000+ items) might impact your search performances.

```
1 // {{group}} will be replaced by the value of "conference"
2 accent: {
3   from: 'âé',
4   to: 'ae'
5 }
```

highlight (boolean|string)

**true** (default)  
The search result(s) will receive the `<strong>` HTML tag around the matched query.  
If set to `true`, only the display keys will be highlighted  
If set to `"any"`, any string within the `template` will be highlighted

multiselect (object)

**null** (default)  
`multiselect` configuration:

- limit** (number): Optional limit of maximum items to select
- limitTemplate** (string|function): Template when the limit is reached
- matchOn** (string|array): Unique item identifier to remove an item from the result list when selected (use any of the JSON of the item will be used)
- cancelOnBackspace** (boolean): If true, the last label will be deleted if the query is empty and backspace is pressed
- href** (string|function): Href link on the multiselect item
- data** (array|function): Default items when Typeahead is loaded
- callback.onClick(node, item, event)** (function): Triggered when a multiselect item is clicked
- callback.onCancel(node, item, event)** (function): Triggered when a multiselect item is canceled

```
1 multiselect: {
2   limit: 2,
3   limitTemplate: 'You can\'t select more than 2 teams',
4   matchOn: ['id'],
5   data: function () {
6     var deferred = $.Deferred();
7
8     // Load your custom data and resolve the promise
9     // setTimeout is only added to simulate a delay
10    // see hockey_v2 demo for a working example
11    setTimeout(function () {
12      deferred.resolve({
13        matchedKey: "name",
14        "name": "Canadiens",
15        "img": "canadiens",
16        "city": "Montreal",
17        "id": "MTL",
18        "conference": "Eastern",
19        "division": "Northeast",
20        "group": "teams"
21      });
22    }, 2000);
23
24    deferred.always(function () {
25      console.log("data loaded from promise");
26    });
27
28    return deferred;
29  },
30  callback: {
31    onClick: function (node, item, event) {
32      event.preventDefault();
33      console.log(item);
34      alert(item.name + ' Clicked!');
35    },
36    onCancel: function (node, item, event) {
37      console.log(item);
38    }
39  }
40 },
```

group (boolean|string|object) **Options changed in 2.5.0**

**false** (default)  
If set to `true`, the results will be grouped by the group name specified inside `source`.  
If set to `string`, the results will be grouped by the corresponding object key.  
Ex: `group: "conference"` will group the hockey teams by "Western" and "Eastern" conferences in `hockey_v1 demo`  
If an Object is set:

- key**: Grouping key
- template**: Grouping template in the result list (custom header text), can be string or function.

```
1 // Will use the options.source.groups
2 group: true
3
4 // Will use the object key to group the items, Western or Eastern conferences
5 group: "conference"
6
7 // {{conference}} will be replaced by the value of "conference"
8 group: {
9   key: "conference",
10  template: "{{conference}} conference Hockey Teams"
11 }
12
13 // Divisions translated to French
14 // Function to enable custom group headers based on item properties
15 // IMPORTANT: Return a string
16 group: {
17   key: "division",
18   template: function (item) {
19     var groups = {
20       "Southeast": "Sud-Est",
21       "Southwest": "Sud-Ouest",
22       "Northeast": "Nord-Est",
23       "Northwest": "Nord-Ouest",
24       "Central": "Centrale",
25       "Pacific": "Pacifique",
26       "Atlantic": "Atlantique"
27     };
28     return "Division " + groups[item.division];
```

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groupOrder (string| array| function)

```

29 }
30 }
31 // An alternative could be to have a different template if "conference == Eastern"
32 group: {
33   key: "conference",
34   template: function (item) {
35     var conference = item.conference;
36     if (conference.toLowerCase() === "eastern") {
37       conference += " Yay!";
38     }
39     return conference;
40   }
41 }
42 }
43 }
44 }

```

**null** (default)  
 By default, the groups will be output in the same order as they are defined in [source](#)  
 Set "asc" or "desc" to have the group name sorted ascending or descending  
 Set an Array to specify the group order to appear in the search result

```

1 groupOrder: ["country", "state", "continent", "capital"],
2 source: {
3   continent: {},
4   country: {},
5   capital: {},
6   state: {}
7 }

```

Set a Function that returns an Array

```

1 // In this example, the group will be order by the MOST results first.
2 // Ex: If there are 5 country matches with "a" and 2 matches with continent.
3 // country group will appear first in the search result.
4 // Using "this.", see the EXTRAS section for more details
5 groupOrder: function (node, query, result, resultCount, resultCountPerGroup) {
6
7   var scope = this,
8       sortGroup = [];
9
10  for (var i in result) {
11    sortGroup.push({
12      group: i,
13      length: result[i].length
14    });
15  }
16
17  sortGroup.sort(
18    scope.helper.sort(
19      "length",
20      false, // false = desc, the most results on top
21      function (a) {
22        return a.toString().toUpperCase()
23      }
24    )
25  );
26
27  return $.map(sortGroup, function (val, i) {
28    });
29  });
30 }

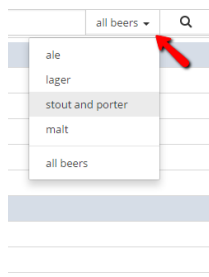
```

maxItemPerGroup (number)

**false** (default)  
 Set a maximum results per group if `group: true` configuration is enabled. - Demo

dropdownFilter (boolean| string| object| array)  
 option changed in [2.5.0](#)

**false** (default)  
 If a string is specified, a dropdown filter will be created between the search input and the search submit button using indexes. The string value will appear at the end of the dropdown and will filter through all the sources.



```

JavaScript HTML PHP
1 $('#beer_ql-query').typeahead({
2   minLength: 1,
3   maxItem: 15,
4   order: "asc",
5   hint: true,
6   group: [true, "({group}) beers"],
7   maxItemPerGroup: 5,
8   backdrop: {
9     "background-color": "#fff"
10  },
11  href: "/beers/({group})/({disj
12  dropdownFilter: "all beers",
13  emptyTemplate: "No result for
14  source: {
15    ale: ["/jquerytypeahead/b
16    lager: ["/jquerytypeahead/
17    "stout and porter": ["/jq
18    malt: ["/jquerytypeahead/i
19  },

```

If an array of objects is set, the dropdownFilter will be built based on it. It is then possible to create filters based on its [Demo](#)

```

1 // Will use the source groups as the filters
2 dropdownFilter: true
3 // Will use the source groups as the filters but overrides the default text
4 dropdownFilter: "Show All"
5
6 // Only works with "static data" (options.dynamic = false)
7 // Typeahead will gather every "conference" possibilities on the source items and build the options
8 // Notice the "value" key is not defined
9 dropdownFilter: {
10  key: 'conference',
11  template: '<strong>{{conference}}</strong> Conference Teams',
12  all: 'All Conferences'
13 }
14
15 // For dynamic data (options.dynamic = true), the key + value must be specified
16 // Use an Array to define the filters
17 // "all" option has to be declared once to override the default text to display all groups
18 dropdownFilter: [
19  {
20    key: 'conference',
21    value: 'Western',
22    template: '<strong>{{conference}}</strong> Conference Teams'
23  }, {
24    key: 'conference',
25    value: 'Eastern',
26    template: '<strong>{{conference}}</strong> Conference Teams',
27    all: 'All Conferences'
28  }
29 ]
30 // For "static data" (options.dynamic = false), it is possible to have both ways
31 // of defining filters in an array
32 // Notice the missing "value" key inside the first object
33 dropdownFilter: [
34  {
35    key: 'conference',
36    template: '<strong>{{conference}}</strong> Conference Teams',
37    all: 'All Conferences'
38  }, {
39    key: 'division',
40    value: 'Northeast',
41    template: '<strong>{{division}}</strong> Division'
42  }
43 ]

```

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**false** (default)  
 If filters objects are defined, the Typeahead source data will be filtered based on the "selected" / "checked" checkbox based on "OR" and "AND" filtering similar to database queries.

- `selector` is the jquery selector to reach the unique input type "checkbox", "radio" or select tag
- `key` the object key that will be filtered, you can use "dot" notation to reach deep object properties, but in that case performed. Ex `object.key.is.deep`

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- `|` key prefix means "OR" filtering, the object key **CAN** match the value
- `&` key prefix means "AND" filtering, the object key **HAS** to match the value

See [game\\_v3 demo](#) for a complete example

```

1 <input type="checkbox" id="assassin">
2
3 // If the checkbox is "checked", champions with Assassin tag will be searchable
4 dynamicFilter: [{
5   selector: "assassin",
6   key: "|tags.Assassin",
7 }],
8 source: {
9   champion: {
10    data: {
11     id: 84,
12     key: "Akali",
13     tags: {
14      Assassin: true
15     }
16   },
17   }, {
18    id: 222,
19    key: "Jinx",
20    tags: {
21     Marksman: true
22     }
23   },
24   ...
25 ]

```

**backdrop** (boolean|object) **false** (default)  
 If set to `true`, html will be added to add a backdrop under the search input and results. It is possible to override the object to this option.

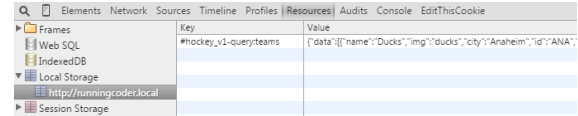
```

1 // Custom light blue backdrop
2 backdrop: {
3   "opacity": 0.15
4   "filter": "alpha(opacity=15)",
5   "background-color": "#eaf3ff",
6 }

```

**backdropOnFocus** (boolean) **false** (default)  
 If set to `true`, as soon as the Typeahead input is focused, the `backdrop` option will be displayed regardless.

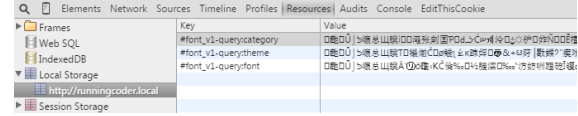
**cache** (boolean|string) **false** (default)  
 If set to `true` or `localStorage`, the `source` data will be stored in localStorage.  
 If set to `sessionStorage`, the `source` data will be stored in sessionStorage.



\* This option can't be combined with `dynamic: true`

**ttl** (numeric) **3600000** (1 hour) (default)  
 \* This is a `cache` configuration, it sets the storage time to live in milliseconds.

**compression** (boolean) **false** (default)  
 Enabling this option will compress the data inside Localstorage.  
 Setting `compression: true` requires `cache: true` option to be enabled. - [Download](#) - [Demo](#)



\* This option can't be combined with `dynamic: true`

**suggestion** (boolean|object) **false** (default)  
 \* Not yet implemented \*

**searchOnFocus** (boolean) **false** (default)  
 If enabled, the typeahead will display results (if any) on input focus. You can combine this option with the input attribute results when the page is loaded.

**blurOnTab** (boolean) **true** (default)  
 Blur Typeahead when Tab key is pressed, if false Tab will go through search results

**resultContainer** (jquery selector|false) **null** (default)  
 If a jQuery string selector or jQuery object is specified, the typeahead results will appear in that container instead of the default. If the option is set to `false`, the HTML result list will not be built. Use this option for filtering "already on page" HTML.

**generateOnLoad** (boolean) **null** (default)  
 If enabled, the source data will be generated (doing Ajax request and preparing to data to be searched) on page load input to be focused.  
 \* This option does not work well with `dynamic: true` unless some other configuration is adjusted.

**mustSelectItem** (boolean) **false** (default)  
 If enabled, an item will HAVE to be selected in order to submit the form. Use this option if you want to restrict search.

**href** (string|function) **null** (default)  
 If a string is defined, every result item will receive the string as href attribute replacing any `{{itemKey}}` by the item's value. apply an extra operation of "slugify" on the value `{{url|slugify}}`. - [Demo](#)  
 \* If this options is used, an "href" key will be added to every objects to be re-used inside the callbacks.

```

1 // Replaces group and display item values
2 href: "/location/{{group}}/{{display}}.html"
3
4

```

If a function is defined, the function will be given the item as the first param. It is then for you to build a returned string

```

1 // Be careful as item properties might contain Url-unsafe characters
2 href: function (item) {
3   return "/location/" + item.group + "/" + item.display + ".html"
4 }

```

**display** (array) **["display"]** (default)  
 The key that will be searched for typeahead matching results inside source objects. It is possible to search through multiple keys by adding them inside the configuration array.

```

1 display: ["series", "description"],
2 source: {

```



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```

3   data: [
4     {
5       series: "Breaking Bad",
6       description: "A Chemistry teacher ...",
7       seasons: 5,
8       rating: 9.6
9     }, {
10      series: "Game of Thrones",
11      description: "Several noble families fight ...",
12      seasons: 4,
13      rating: 9.5
14    }, {
15      series: "Dexter",
16      description: "A Miami police forensics ...",
17      seasons: 8,
18      rating: 9.0
19    }
20  ]
21 }
22
23 // Typeahead can also search deep inside an object, just separate the keys with "."
24 display: ['string', 'deeper.key.level'],
25 source: {
26   data: {
27     string: 'string',
28     deeper: {
29       key: {
30         level: 42
31       }
32     }
33   }
34 }

```

template (string|function)  
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**null** (default)  
The template is a HTML string containing keys that will be replaced by match results object keys. You **MUST** use `{{variable}}` string to be replaced. - [Demo 1](#) - [Demo 2](#)  
You can also reach multi-level deep object properties using regular "." format. `{{variable.secondlevel.thirdlevel}}`  
If you need to print the item values inside HTML data attributes, it is possible to use `{{variable[raw]}}`. That optional m get the unmodified value.  
If a function is used, the first parameter will be the "query" and the second will be the current "item"

```

1 // Only one group of data, only one template
2 display: "series",
3 template: '<span data-series="{series[raw]}">' +
4   '{series}, {{seasons}} seasons - ' +
5   '<var data-rating="{rating[raw]}">{{rating}}/10</var></span>',
6 source: {
7   data: [
8     {
9       series: "Breaking Bad",
10      seasons: 5,
11      rating: 9.6
12    }
13    ...
14  ]
15 }
16
17 // If the item has a high rating, display a special ribbon saying "Top Rated"
18 // VERY IMPORTANT to return the template string
19 display: "series",
20 template: function (query, item) {
21   var template = '<span data-series="{series[raw]}">' +
22     '{series}, {{seasons}} seasons - ' +
23     '<var data-rating="{rating[raw]}">{{rating}}/10</var></span>'
24
25   if (item.rating >= 9) {
26     template += '<span class="ribbon">Top Rated</span>';
27   }
28   return template;
29 },
30 source: {
31   data: [
32     {
33       series: "Breaking Bad",
34       seasons: 5,
35       rating: 9.6
36     }
37     ...
38   ]
39 }
40
41 // Multiple groups of data, multiple templates
42 // Since source.series has no "template" key, the global template will be used
43 // source.movies is using it's own template
44 // source.movies uses "title" and "franchise" as the searchable keys
45 display: "series",
46 template: "<span>{{series}}, {{seasons}} seasons - rating: <var>{{rating}}</var></span>"
47 source: {
48   series: {
49     data: [
50       {
51         series: "Breaking Bad",
52         seasons: 5,
53         rating: 9.6
54       }
55       ...
56     ]
57   },
58   movies: {
59     display: ["title", "franchise"],
60     template: "<span> " +
61       '{{title}} ({{ordinal}} of {{total}} movies from" +
62       '{{franchise}} franchise with a budget of {{details.budget}}" +
63       "</span>";
64     data: [
65       {
66         title: "Terminator 2",
67         ordinal: "2nd",
68         total: 5,
69         franchise: "Terminator",
70         details: {
71           budget: '$6,400,000',
72           gross: '$38,400,000'
73         }
74       }
75       ...
76     ]
77   }
78 }

```

emptyTemplate (string|function)  
In case there are no results to be displayed, a row will be displayed containing this template. It is possible to display the string.

```

1 emptyTemplate: "No results found for {{query}}";
2 // A function can also be used receiving the "query" param
3 // IMPORTANT: return a string
4 emptyTemplate: function (query) {
5   if (query.length > 0) {
6     return 'No results found for "' + query + "'";
7   }
8 }
9
10 // It is possible to return a jQuery <LI> object
11 emptyTemplate: function (query) {
12   return $('<li>', {
13     "text": "Just use \'" + query + "\'",
14     "class": "my-custom-class"
15   });
16 }
17 }

```

templateValue (string|function)  
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**null** (default)  
When an item is selected / clicked, by default the "Matched key" will go inside the input. By defining a `templateValue`, the input can be customized.

```

1 // Only one group of data, only one template
2 display: ['series', 'description', 'actors.name'],
3 template: '<span data-series="{series[raw]}">' +
4   '{series}, {{seasons}} seasons - ' +
5   '<var data-rating="{rating[raw]}">{{rating}}/10</var></span>',
6 templateValue: '{{series}}',
7 source: {
8   data: [
9     {
10      series: "Breaking Bad",
11      description: "Breaking Bad is an American crime drama television series created and produced
12      actors: [

```

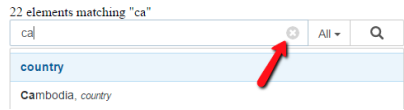
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```

13     name: '...',
14     age: '...',
15   }
16   seasons: 5,
17   rating: 9.6
18 }
19 ...
20 }
21 }
    
```

cancelButton (boolean)

**true** (default)  
 This option provides a small "x" on the right side of the input to clear the text, similar to some browser's default behavior `input[type="search"]`.



filter (boolean | function)

**true** (default)  
 If set to **false**, Typeahead will skip any kind of filtering. This option is useful if you already filter the results in Backend. If set to **function**, every element will be filtered using this custom rule.  
**WARNING** `accent`, `correlativeTemplate`, `offset` and `matcher` will be skipped

```

1 // item: The matched item (object)
2 // displayKey: The matched item display key (string)
3 filter: function (item, displayKey) {
4   if (item.name === "Typeahead") {
5     return undefined;
6   } else if (/hello/.test(displayKey)) {
7     return false;
8   } else if (item.name === "hi") {
9     // return modified item object
10    item.name = "new name key";
11    return item;
12  }
13  return true;
14 }
15
16 // return undefined to skip to next item
17 // return false to attempt the matching function on the next displayKey
18 // return true to add the item to the result list
19 // return item object to modify the item and add it to the result list
    
```

matcher (function)

If set to **function**, every element will be filtered using this custom rule AFTER the regular Typeahead filters have been

```

1 // item: The matched item (object)
2 // displayKey: The matched item display key (string)
3 matcher: function (item, displayKey) {
4   if (item.name === "Typeahead") {
5     return undefined;
6   } else if (/hello/.test(displayKey)) {
7     return false;
8   } else if (item.name === "hi") {
9     // return modified item object
10    item.name = "new name key";
11    return item;
12  }
13  return true;
14 }
15
16 // return undefined to skip to next item
17 // return false to attempt the matching function on the next displayKey
18 // return true to add the item to the result list
19 // return item object to modify the item and add it to the result list
    
```

correlativeTemplate (boolean | array)

**false** (default)  
 By default, search text matching is reserved to `display` keys. A searched text can't match multiple keys. If the option is enabled with `true` or `array` of display keys, every item will receive an additional key called `compiled` searched first (using soften matching mechanism) for any matching results, then the `display` keys will be searched (t matching mechanism).  
 If the option is set to true, the `template` option will be compiled into the "compiled" item key. The search mechanism any word, anywhere separated by spaces.  
 It is also possible to set an Array of display keys instead of the complete template  
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source (object | array)  
 Required

**null** (default)  
 The source option corresponds to the data set(s) that Typeahead will look through to find matches for the user query inside the source, you can have multiple lists of data (groups)  
 It is possible to send an async request inside the data function using `$.Deferred`  
`source.group` configuration:

- **minLength**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **maxLength**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **dynamic**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **filter**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **matcher**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **cache**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **compression**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **ttr**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group.
- **data**: Array or function that returns an Array. The items in your array can either be strings or objects
- **href**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group
- **template**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group
- **display**: Overrides the default configuration for the specified group
- **ajax**: Local or jsonp Ajax request to get the data from, follow [jQuery \\$.ajax](#) standards.
- **ajax.callback**: Allows `done`, `fail`, `always` & `then` custom callbacks, see example below
- **ajax.data**: Specify the json path to the result array inside the Ajax request

```

1 // Ajax response ex:
2 {
3   status: 200,
4   response: {
5     data: {
6       user: [{...}, {...}, {...}]
7     }
8   }
9 }
10
11 // Then the configuration should be:
12 source: {
13   ajax: {
14     url: '/users/',
15     data: {
16       q: '{query}'
17     },
18     path: 'response.data.user'
19   }
20 }
21
22 }
    
```

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(object)

This object contains the CSS classes of all the Typeahead containers. This option will be used to override classes on el your website's UI elements.

- container** `typeahead__container` (default)  
Class that is used as the main Typeahead container. This container will also receive `.result`, `.hint`, `.backdrop`, [ class when the specific feature is toggled to allow for extra CSS customization.
- result** `typeahead__result` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the result list `div`.
- list** `typeahead__list` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the result list `div > ul`.
- group** `typeahead__group` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the group list item if the `group: true` option is set.
- item** `typeahead__item` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the result list item
- empty** `typeahead__empty` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the empty list item if `emptyTemplate` is enabled
- display** `typeahead__display` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the result list `div > ul > li > a`.
- query** `typeahead__query` (default)  
Block that contains the search input.
- filter** `typeahead__filter` (default)  
Block that contains the filter.
- filterButton** `typeahead__filter-button` (default)  
The button inside the block that contains the filter.
- dropdown** `typeahead__dropdown` (default)  
The dropdown container inside the filters.
- dropdownItem** `typeahead__dropdown-item` (default)  
The form submit button container.
- button** `typeahead__button` (default)  
Block that contains the submit button
- backdrop** `typeahead__backdrop` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the backdrop container if the `backdrop: true` option is set.
- hint** `typeahead__hint` (default)  
Class that will be applied to the hint input `hint: true` option is set (should have the same class as your input so th
- cancelButton** `typeahead__cancel-button` (default)  
Class applied on the cancel button if the option is activated

## Callbacks

The callbacks are used to customize and add functionality to your Typeahead instance. You will find plenty of examples in the [Demo](#) section.

There are 3 ways to define the callbacks:

- Function (recommended)

Anonymous function calling a local function with parameters.

```

1 $('#myInput').typeahead({
2   source: [ ... ]
3   callback: {
4     onResult: function (node, query, result, res
5       console.log(node, query, result, res
6     }
7   }
8 });

```

- String

Function name (can be namespaced) located on the window scope without any parameters.

```

1 $('#myInput').typeahead({
2   source: [ ... ]
3   callback: {
4     onInit: 'myFunction'
5   }
6 });

```

OR

```

1 $('#myInput').typeahead({
2   source: [ ... ]
3   callback: {
4     onInit: 'window.myCollection.myFunction.
5   }
6 });

```

- Array

First element is the function name **accessible from the window scope**, second element is an array containing the parameters.

```

1 $('#myInput').typeahead({
2   source: [ ... ]
3   callback: {
4     onClickBefore: ['window.myClass.myFunction', ['param1', 'param2']]
5   }
6 });
7
8 window.myClass = {
9   // Your params will be Prepend to the regular Typeahead onClickBefore params
10  myFunction: function (param1, param2, node, a, item, event) {
11    console.log(param1, param2, node, a, item, event);
12  }
13 };

```

- `node` jQuery object of the initialization input
- `query` The query string inside the input
- `lis` jQuery list of li's
- `a` jQuery object of the item's "a" inside the result list
- `item` Matched item from the result list
- `result` Array of matched items
- `resultCount` Total number of results that matches the query (regardless of the maxItem option)

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- `resultHtmlList` HTML `<ul>` list of the query-matched results (jQuery object)
- `event` jQuery event that was triggered

Same principle as `onPopulateSource` callback but only occurs ONCE, when the data gets inserted in LocalStorage or SessionStorage using the `cache` option.

- The `data` parameter **HAS** to be returned after it's transformed.

Callback	Description
<code>onInit (node)</code>	Will be executed on Typeahead initialization, before anything else.
<code>onReady (node)</code>	Triggers when the Typeahead initial preparation is completed.
<code>onShowLayout (node, query)</code>	Triggers when the Typeahead results layout is displayed.
<code>onHideLayout (node, query)</code>	Triggers when the Typeahead results layout is requested to hide.
<code>onSearch (node, query)</code>	Triggers every time a new search is executed in Typeahead.
<code>onResult (node, query, result, resultCount, resultCountPerGroup)</code>	Whenever the result changes, this callback will be triggered.
<code>onLayoutBuiltBefore (node, query, result, resultHtmlList)</code>	When the result HTML is build, modify it before it get showed. This callback should be used to modify the result DOM before it gets inserted into Typeahead. * If you are using this callback, the <code>resultHtmlList</code> param needs to be returned at the end of your function.
	<pre> 1 // Adding the query as the last item 2 onLayoutBuiltBefore: function (node, query, result, resultHtmlList) { 3   return resultHtmlList.append( 4     \$('&lt;li/&gt;', { 5       "text": "Just use \\' + query + "\'", 6       "class": "my-custom-class" 7     }) 8   ); 9 } 10 // Replace all underscore "_" by spaces in the result list 11 onLayoutBuiltBefore: function (node, query, result, resultHtmlList) { 12   \$.each(resultHtmlList.find("a"), function (i, a) { 13     a.text = a.text.replace(/_/g, " "); 14   }); 15   return resultHtmlList; 16 } </pre>
<code>onLayoutBuiltAfter (node, query, result)</code>	Perform an action right after the result HTML gets inserted into Typeahead's DOM.
<code>onNavigateBefore (node, query, event)</code>	When a key is pressed to navigate the results. It is possible to disable the input text change when using up and down arrows when <code>event.preventDefault</code> is set to true
	<pre> 1 callback: { 2   onNavigateBefore: function (node, query, event) { 3     if (~[-38,40].indexOf(event.keyCode)) { 4       event.preventDefault = true; 5     } 6   } 7 } </pre>
<code>onNavigateAfter (node, lis, a, item, query, event)</code>	Called at the end of Navigate (once the <code>.active</code> class and other operations are completed).
<code>onMouseEnter (node, a, item, event)</code>	Will be executed when an item is hovered inside the result list.
<code>onMouseLeave (node, a, item, event)</code>	Will be executed when a result item is hovered out.
<code>onClick</code> and <code>onClickBefore (node, a, item, event)</code>	Will be executed when a result item is clicked or the right arrow is pressed when an item is selected from the results list. This function will trigger <b>before</b> the regular behaviors.
<code>onClickAfter (node, a, item, event)</code>	Will be executed when a result item is clicked or the right arrow is pressed when an item is selected from the results list. This function will trigger <b>after</b> the regular behaviors.
<code>onDropdownFilter (node, a, item, event)</code>	Will be executed when a dropdown filter is selected. Requires <code>dropdownFilter: true</code> .
<code>onSendRequest (node, query)</code>	Gets called when the Ajax request(s) are sent. Either on initial requests or on every dynamic requests.
<code>onReceiveRequest (node, query)</code>	Gets called when the Ajax request(s) are all received
<code>onPopulateSource (node, data, group, path)</code>	Gets called after the Ajax requests are all received and the data is populated inside Typeahead. This is the place where extra parsing or filtering should occur before the data gets available inside any Typeahead query For example, the Backend sends the "display" key separated by underscores "_" instead of spaces " ". * The <code>data</code> parameter <b>HAS</b> to be returned after it's transformed.
	<pre> 1 callback: { 2   onPopulateSource: function (node, data, group, path) { 3     // Only apply the change for a specific group 4     if (group === "mySourceGroup") { 5       for (var i = 0; i &lt; data.length; i++) { 6         data[i].compiled = data[i].compiled.replace(/_/g, ' '); 7         data[i].display = data[i].compiled.replace(/_/g, ' '); 8       } 9     } 10    return data; 11  } 12 } </pre>
<code>onCacheSave (node, data, group, path)</code>	
<code>onSubmit (node, form, item, event)</code>	Override the native <code>onSubmit</code> function by your own. If after performing a set of action(s) you want to submit the form, simply do <code>form.submit()</code> . * The <code>item</code> parameter is not always defined. An item object will be sent if the submit happens after an item from the list has been selected.
<code>onCancel (node, event)</code>	Any time there is text inside the input and it gets cleared (Backspace, Esc, Cancel button, etc). It is possible to track back the event that cleared the input using <code>event.originalEvent</code>

## Extras

This section enumerates some functionalities & properties that are accessible

- Typeahead instance properties

\* The Typeahead instance uses the same identifier as the selector it was created with.

```

1  $('#mySearchInput').typeahead({
2  }); ...
3
4  // Enumerate Typeahead properties
5  window.Typeahead['mySearchInput']
6
7  rawQuery = ''; // Unmodified input query
8  query = ''; // Input query
9  source = {}; // The generated source kept in memory
10 isGenerated = null; // Generated results -> null: not generated, false: generating, true generated
11 generatedGroupCount = 0; // Number of groups generated; if limit reached the search can be done
12 groupCount = 0; // Number of groups, this value gets counted on the initial source unification
13 groupBy = "group"; // This option will change according to filtering or custom grouping
14 result = []; // Results based on Source-query match (only contains the displayed elements)
15 resultCount = 0; // Total results based on Source-query match
16 options = options; // Typeahead options (Merged default & user defined)
17 node = node; // Query object of the Typeahead <input>
18 container = null; // Typeahead container, usually right after <form>
19 resultContainer = null; // Typeahead result container (html)
20 item = null; // The selected item
21 xhr = {}; // Ajax request(s) stack
22 hintIndex = null; // Numeric value of the hint index in the result list
23 filters = { // Filter list for searching, dropdown and dynamic(s)
24   dropdown: {}, // Dropdown menu if options.dropdownfilter is set
25   dynamic: {} // Checkbox / Radio / Select to filter the source data
26 };
27 requests = {}; // Store the group:request instead of generating them every time
28
29 backdrop = {}; // The backdrop object
30
31 hint = {}; // The hint object

```

• Triggering manual Typeahead events

Each of the Typeahead events can be controlled by script and not only by user interaction. They all require a set of condition to be executed. The exact conditions can be tracked down inside the `delegateEvents()` function.

```

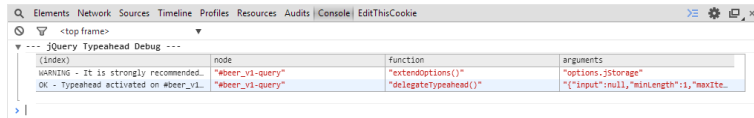
1 // Events
2 'focus.typeahead',
3 'input.typeahead',
4 'propertychange.typeahead',
5 'keydown.typeahead',
6 'dynamic.typeahead',
7 'generateOnLoad.typeahead'
8
9 // Trigger a manual search from the string inside the input
10 // See _Game_v3 demo to understand why it is being used at that place
11 $('#mySearchInput').trigger('input.typeahead');

```

## Debug

Option	Type	Description
debug	{boolean} (optional)	<p><b>false</b> (default)</p> <p>When <code>debug</code> configuration is set to <b>true</b>, information about the typeahead will be printed in the browser console (F12). If you have difficulties to get the typeahead working on one of your form(s) try to activate the debug mode.</p> <p>* The debug option and outputs are removed from the minified file to reduce its size, so once your configuration is set properly, you should be using <code>jquery.typeahead.min.js</code></p> <pre> 1  \$('#myInput').typeahead({ 2  source: [ ... ] 3  debug: true 4  }); </pre>

Some browser may not display the debug information, make sure you are using the most recent version of Chrome or Firefox.



## Flowchart

The following flowcharts doesn't contain every possibilities and options but only reflects the general code flow.

