

# HTML Table and HTML Form

## HTML Table

The `<table>` element in HTML is used for displaying tabular data.

You can think of it as a way to describe and display data that would make sense in spreadsheet software. Essentially: **columns** and **rows**.

A table is defined using the `<table>` element, and contains a number of table cells (`<td>`, for "table data") which are organized into table rows (`<tr>`). The markup (HTML code) for a table is always based on rows, never columns.

Table cells can span across more than one column or row. The attributes **COLSPAN** ("how many across") and **ROWSPAN** ("how many down") indicate how many columns or rows a cell should take up.

Table cells which act as column headers or row headers should use the `<th>` (table header) element.

For more detail you can go through below url:

<https://css-tricks.com/complete-guide-table-element/>

### Try it yourself

Create HTML table with given HTML tags, try to add some data i.e., employee details, and also do some experiments with COLSPAN and ROWSPAN. You may also find examples on w3schools website.

## HTML5

### Semantic Elements

A semantic element clearly describes its **meaning** to both the **browser** and the developer.

Examples of non-semantic elements: `<div>` and `<span>` - Tells nothing about its content.

Examples of semantic elements: `<form>`, `<table>`, and `<article>` - Clearly defines its content.

HTML5 offers new semantic elements to define different parts of a web page:

With HTML4, developers used their own id/class names to style elements: header, top, bottom, footer, menu, navigation, main, container, content, article, sidebar, topnav, etc.

This made it impossible for search engines to identify the correct web page content.

With the new HTML5 elements (`<header>` `<footer>` `<nav>` `<section>` `<article>`), this will become easier.

For more detail you can go through below url:

<https://internetingishard.com/html-and-css/semantic-html/>

[https://www.w3schools.com/html/html5\\_new\\_elements.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/html/html5_new_elements.asp)

### Try it yourself

Create empty webpage with given HTML5 semantic tags, and put some relevant content in those semantic tags, i.e., put some links in header, nav and footer tags, and put some random text in section and article tags.

## HTML Form

HTML form elements let you **collect** input from your website's **visitors**.

Mailing lists, contact forms, and blog post comments are common examples for small websites, but in organizations that rely on their website for revenue, forms are sacred and revered.

There are two aspects of a functional HTML form: the **frontend user interface** and the **backend server**. The former is the appearance of the form (as defined by HTML and CSS), while the latter is the code that processes it (storing data in a database, sending an email, etc).

Every HTML form begins with the aptly named `<form>` element. It accepts a number of attributes, but the most important ones are action and method.

### Text input fields

To actually collect user input, we need a new tool: the `<input/>` element.

### Radio buttons

Changing the type property of the `<input/>` element to radio transforms it into a radio button. Radio buttons are a little more complex to work with than text fields because they always operate in groups, allowing the user to choose one out of many predefined options.

### Select elements

Dropdown menus offer an alternative to radio buttons, as they let the user select one out of many options. The `<select>` element represents the dropdown menu, and it contains a bunch of `<option>` elements that represent each item.

### Textareas

The `<textarea>` element creates a multi-line text field designed to collect large amounts of text from the user. They're suitable for things like biographies, essays, and comments.

### Checkboxes

Checkboxes are sort of like radio buttons, but instead of selecting only one option, they let the user pick as many as they want. This simplifies things, since the browser doesn't need to know which checkboxes are part of the same group.

For more detail you can go through following link:

[https://www.w3schools.com/html/html\\_forms.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/html/html_forms.asp)