Chapter-04: Html Links

- 1. Links are the defining feature of the web because they allow you to move from one web page to another.
- 2. Links from one website to another.
- 3. Links from one page to another on the same website.
- 4. Links from one part of a web page to another part of the same page.
- 5. Links that open in a new browser window.
- 6. Links that start up your email program and address a new email to someone.
- 7. Links are created using the <a> element.
- 8. Users can click on anything between the opening <a> tag and the closing tag.
- 9. You specify which page you want to link to using the href attribute.
- 10. The text between the opening tag <a> and closing tag is known as link text.
- 11. Links are created using the <a> element which has an attribute called href.
- 12. The value of the href attribute is the page that you want people to go to when they click on the link.
- 13. Users can click on anything that appears between the opening tag <a> and the closing tag and will be taken to the page specified in the href attribute.
- 14. When you link to a different website, the value of the href attribute will be the full web address for the site, which is known as an absolute URL.
- 15. Browsers show links in blue with an underline by default.
- 16. URL stands for Uniform Resource Locator.
- 17. Every web page has its own URL.
- 18. This is the web address that you would type into a browser if you wanted to visit that specific page.
- 19. An absolute URL starts with the domain name for that site, and can be followed by the path to a specific page.
- 20. If no page is specified, the site will display the homepage.
- 21. When you are linking to other pages within the same site, you do not need to specify the domain name in the URL.
- 22. You can use a shorthand known as a relative URL.

- 23. If all the pages of the site are in the same folder, then the value of the href attribute is just the name of the file.
- 24. If you have different pages of a site in different folders, then you can use a slightly more complex syntax to indicate where the page is in relation to the current page.\
- 25. When linking to other pages within the same site, you can use relative URLs.
- 26. shorthand version of absolute URLs because you do not need to specify the domain name.
- 27. Relative URLs help when building a site on your computer because you can create links between pages without having to set up your domain name or hosting.
- 28. On larger websites it's a good idea to organize your code by placing the pages for each different section of the site into a new folder.
- 29. Folders on a website are sometimes referred to as directories.
- 30. The top-level folder is known as the root folder.
- 31. The root folder contains all of the other files and folders for a website.
- 32. Each section of the site is placed in a separate folder; this helps organize the files.
- 33. The relationship between files and folders on a website is described using the same terminology as a family tree.
- 34. The main homepage of a site written in HTML (and the homepages of each section in a child folder) is called index.html.
- 35. Web servers are usually set up to return the index.html file if no file name is specified.
- 36. Every page and every image on a website has a URL (or Uniform Resource Locator).
- 37. The URL is made up of the domain name followed by the path to that page or image.
- 38. You use URLs when linking to other web pages and when including images in your own site.
- 39. Relative URLs can be used when linking to pages within your own website.
- 40. They provide a shorthand way of telling the browser where to find your files.
- 41. When you are linking to a page on your own website, you do not need to specify the domain name.
- 42. You can use relative URLs which are a shorthand way to tell the browser where a page is in relation to the current page.
- 43. If all of the files in your site are in one folder, you simply use the file name for that page.
- 44. To link to a file in the same folder, just use the file name. (Nothing else is needed.)
- 45. For a child folder, use the name of the child folder, followed by a forward slash, then the file name.

- 46. For Grandchild Folder Use the name of the child folder, followed by a forward slash, then the name of the grandchild folder, followed by another forward slash, then the file name.
- 47. For Parent Folder Use ../ to indicate the folder above the current one, then follow it with the file name.
- 48. For GrandParent Folder Repeat the ../ to indicate that you want to go up two folders (rather than one), then follow it with the file name.
- 49. When a website is live (that is, uploaded to a web server) you may see a couple of other techniques used that do not work when the files are on your local computer.
- 50. To create a link that starts up the user's email program and addresses an email to a specified email address, you use the element.
- 51. The value of the href attribute starts with mailto: and is followed by the email address you want the email to be sent to.
- 52. when it is clicked on, the user's email program will open a new email message and address it to the person specified in the link.
- 53. If you want a link to open in a new window, you can use the target attribute on the opening tag.
- 54. The value of this target attribute should be _blank.
- 55. One of the most common reasons a web page author might want a link to be opened in a new window is if it points to another website.
- 56. Generally you should avoid opening links in a new window, but if you do, it is considered good practice to inform users that the link will open a new window before they click on it.
- 57. Before you can link to a specific part of a page, you need to identify the points in the page that the link will go to. You do this using the id attribute (which can be used on every HTML element).
- 58. You can see that the <h1> and <h2> elements in this example have been given id attributes that identify those sections of the page.
- 59. The value of the id attribute should start with a letter or an underscore (not a number or any other character) and, on a single page, no two id attributes should have the same value.