CSS_1

Intro to CSS and selectors

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- Anatomy of a css rule
- Applying styles
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Introduction to CSS

CSS (Cascading Style Sheets): A language used to describe the presentation of a web page. CSS handles the look and feel of the web page, separating content from design.

Importance of CSS:

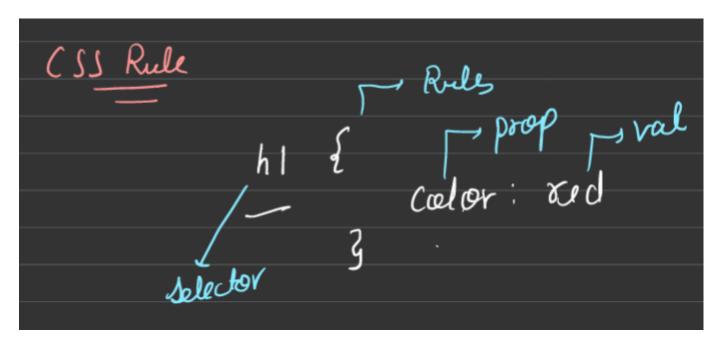
- Styling Web Pages: CSS allows you to style HTML elements, such as images, texts, links, and more.
- Visual Styling: Enhances the appearance of web pages, making them visually appealing and user-friendly.
- Positioning: CSS allows precise control over the placement of elements on the web page.
- Layout Control: CSS helps in arranging elements on the page.
- Responsive Design: CSS enables web pages to adapt to different screen sizes and devices.

Basic CSS Syntax

CSS is a rule-based language — you define the rules by specifying groups of styles that should be applied to particular elements or groups of elements on your web page.

- Selector: Specifies the HTML element to be styled.
- Property: Specifies the style attribute you want to change.
- Value: Specifies the value of the property.

For example,



Note: you can have multiple key: value in a given rule

Applying CSS

1. Inline CSS:

Directly within an HTML element using the style attribute.

```
Hello World!
```

2. Internal CSS:

• Within a <style> tag inside the <head> section of the HTML document.

```
} </style>
```

3. External CSS:

• In a separate css file linked to the HTML document.

```
<!-- HTML --> <link rel="stylesheet" href="styles.css">
```

```
/* styles.css */
p {
    color: blue;
    font-size: 16px;
}
```

Note: You will be using external css usually because it makes css logic independent of html and is highly reusable

Styling Text

Properties for Styling Text

1. Color: Sets the color of the text.

```
color: blue;
```

2. Background Color: Sets the background color of an element.

```
background-color: lightblue;
```

3. Font Family: Specifies the font for the text.

```
font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
```

4. Font Size: Specifies the size of the font.

```
font-size: 16px;
```

5. Font Style: Specifies the style of the font (normal, italic, oblique).

```
font-style: italic;
```

6. Font Weight: Specifies the thickness of the font (normal, bold, bolder, lighter, or numeric values).

```
font-weight: bold;
```

7. **Text Decoration**: Adds decoration to the text (underline, overline, line-through, none).

```
text-decoration: underline;
```

8. Line Height: Sets the space between lines of text.

```
line-height: 1.5;
```

 Text Transform: Controls the capitalization of text (uppercase, lowercase, capitalize).

```
text-transform: uppercase;
```

Introduction to CSS Selectors

CSS Selectors: Selectors are used to target HTML elements on which to apply styles. They are a fundamental part of CSS and determine which elements the style rules will affect.

Selectors

Basic Selectors

1. Universal Selector:

Selects all elements.

```
* {
    margin: 0;
    padding: 0;
}
```

2. Type Selector:

• Selects elements by their tag name.

```
p {
    color: blue;
}
```

3. Class Selector:

• Selects elements with a specific class attribute. Prefixed with a dot (.).

```
.container {
    padding: 20px;
}
```

4. ID Selector:

• Selects an element with a specific id attribute. Prefixed with a hash (#).

```
#header {
    background-color: lightgray;
}
```

5. Attribute Selector:

• Selects elements with a specific attribute.

```
[type="text"] {
   border: 1px solid black;
}
```

Grouped Code Example for Selectors

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
        /* Universal Selector */
            margin: 0;
            padding: 0;
       }
        /* Type Selector */
        p {
            color: blue;
        }
        /* Class Selector */
        .container {
            padding: 20px;
       }
        /* ID Selector */
       #header {
            background-color: lightgray;
       }
        /* Attribute Selector */
        [type="text"] {
            border: 1px solid black;
        }
    </style>
    <title>Selectors Example</title>
</head>
<body>
    <div id="header">
        <h1>Header</h1>
    </div>
    <div class="container">
```

Combinators

Types of Combinators

1. Descendant Combinator:

• Selects all elements that are descendants of a specified element.

```
div p {
   color: green;
}
```

2. Child Combinator:

• Selects all elements that are direct children of a specified element.

```
div > p {
   color: orange;
}
```

3. Adjacent Sibling Combinator:

Selects the element that is directly after a specified element.

```
h1 + p {
   color: red;
}
```

4. General Sibling Combinator:

Selects all elements that are siblings of a specified element.

```
h1 ~ p {
    color: purple;
```

Grouped Code Example for Combinators

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
   <meta charset="UTF-8">
   <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
       /* Descendant Combinator */
       div p {
           color: green;
       }
       /* Child Combinator */
       div > p {
           color: orange;
       }
       /* Adjacent Sibling Combinator */
       h1 + p {
           color: red;
       }
       /* General Sibling Combinator */
       h1 ~ p {
           color: purple;
   </style>
   <title>Combinators Example</title>
   <div>
       Paragraph inside a div (descendant).
       Another paragraph inside the same div (child).
   </div>
   <h1>Heading 1</h1>
   Paragraph next to h1 (adjacent sibling).
```

```
Another paragraph next to h1 (general sibling).
</body>
</html>
```