CSS

To solve many cross-browser issues, it's encouraged that you use 'RESET' and 'NORMALIZE' (discussed below) and, basically, define what the default attributes should be (instead of relying on the default values that come with the browser).  In fact, ***technical recruiters love to ask you about this*** and see if you know how to make your site look consistent throughout different browsers.  When they ask you this, you should be able to explain (with confidence) what reset/normalizing means and why they are used.  You should also tell them that in addition to this, it's important to validate your HTML/CSS often, as validating the HTML/CSS gives insight on how you can fix issues that may lead to cross-browser compatibility issues (and often, invalid HTML/CSS can lead to weird behavior as the browser may not 'fix' invalid HTML/CSS quite the right way).

**Condensed Universal Reset**

This is my current favorite CSS reset. It handles all the essentials, and ensures relatively universal default browser-style uniformity.

\* {

vertical-align: baseline;

font-weight: inherit;

font-family: inherit;

font-style: inherit;

font-size: 100%;

border: 0 none;

outline: 0;

padding: 0;

margin: 0;

}

**Minimalistic Reset — Version 1**

As basic as it gets, this global reset employs a wildcard selector to reset the padding and margins on all elements to zero. In my experience snooping around the source code of other designers, this is the most commonly used CSS reset. I see it *everywhere*..

\* {

padding: 0;

margin: 0;

}

Main wrapper/container div

Width: 970px (fixed)