



Bootstrap



Learning Objectives

This lesson provides an overview of Bootstrap and the Bootstrap syntax. By the end of this lesson, learners will be able to:

- Describe the pros and cons of using Bootstrap.
- Use Bootstrap via local installation or content-delivery network.
- Apply the following Bootstrap components and styling options to HTML pages:
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Bootstrap Overview

[Bootstrap](#) is a popular and powerful front-end framework for building responsive websites. It uses HTML, CSS, and JavaScript; therefore, it is important to have a strong understanding of HTML/CSS before learning Bootstrap.

Bootstrap contains many useful, built-in features and components to create websites, such as responsive forms, tables, and carousels. It is very easy to customize, and proper use of the framework can help you create a website quickly.

The [Bootstrap official site](#) is an open-source website that includes documentation needed to learn more about Bootstrap, and provides web-based customization information.

Core Features of Bootstrap

- **Customization** – Bootstrap allows you the freedom of making websites look very different in a way that other options, such as WordPress, cannot.
- **Responsiveness** – Bootstrap has a 12-layer grid system and syntax, which allows you to create websites that look pleasant on both browsers and mobile devices.
- **Consistency** – With Bootstrap, it is easy to pick up from where someone else left off, using unified object syntax and patterns, which remove the need for a deep understanding of someone else's code.
- **Support** – Bootstrap, as a popular framework, has a large community of people who can assist in the creation and maintenance of Bootstrap websites.
- **Development Speed** – It is easy to develop websites quickly using the Bootstrap framework.
- **Cross Browser Support** – Bootstrap has cross-browser support, and works well in IE 9.0+, iOS 7.0+ and all of the latest browsers.

Pros and Cons of Bootstrap

Pros:

- Well adopted by all browsers.
- Vast community to help you.
- Various online templates.
- Works well with JavaScript frameworks.
- Compatible with all modern browsers.

Cons:

- Very “clumpy” and glued-together code.
- Hurts performance.
- Difficult to manipulate.
- Responsive design requires knowledge of JavaScript.

How to Use Bootstrap

There are two ways to use Bootstrap:

- **Local Installation** – You can download the Bootstrap library to your local machine and include it in your HTML code for the website as either a source file or a compressed file.
- **CDN-Based Version** – You can include the Bootstrap library into your HTML code directly from a Content Delivery Network (CDN).

Local Installation of Bootstrap

- Go to <http://getbootstrap.com/> to download Bootstrap.
- Download → Compiled CSS and JS. Extract to computer.
- Make an **index.html** file, and include the following code in the **<head>** element.
 - Adjust the file paths to match your local installation.

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Bootstrap Example</title>
    <link href="bootstrap/css/bootstrap.min.css" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
    <script type="text/javascript" src="bootstrap/js/bootstrap.min.js"></script>
  </head>
  <body>
  </body>
</html>
```


CDN-Based Installation of Bootstrap

You can include the Bootstrap library into your HTML code directly from the Content Delivery Network (CDN), found on <http://getbootstrap.com>. Scroll down to the following section, and copy the provided `<link>` and `<script>` elements into your HTML.



Include via CDN

When you only need to include Bootstrap's compiled CSS or JS, you can use [jsDelivr](#). See it in action with our simple [quick start](#), or [browse the examples](#) to jumpstart your next project. You can also choose to include Popper and our JS [separately](#).

```
<link href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@5.3.0-alpha1/dis
```

```
<script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@5.3.0-alpha1/di
```

Bootstrap Syntax

Bootstrap consists of many useful [components](#) and other objects. To use Bootstrap to create components or apply style, we create an element and assign it a Bootstrap class, such as:

```
<div class="exampleObject"></div>
```

The following slides will cover the details of:

- Bootstrap components.
- Syntax to create the components.
- How the components look in action.

It is recommended to put the syntax for each Bootstrap component into your IDE so that you can interact with it and get a feel for the framework. The Bootstrap website also has good resources for each component.

Bootstrap Layout: Grid

In Bootstrap, you can create [grid layouts](#).

In a Bootstrap grid, there are twelve columns to align content with (adding a 13th puts it below the 1st). Content can take up as many or as few columns as needed.

The Grid System is responsive, which means it rearranges based on screen size.

As an example, the following is the syntax to create three columns, each taking up four of the available twelve grid units:

```
<div class="container-fluid">
  <div class="row">
    <div class="col-xs-4 col-sm-4 col-md-4 col-lg-4">Content</div>
    <div class="col-xs-4 col-sm-4 col-md-4 col-lg-4">Content</div>
    <div class="col-xs-4 col-sm-4 col-md-4 col-lg-4">Content</div>
  </div>
</div>
```



Bootstrap Layout: Grid (continued)

Here is a handy reference chart for examples of a grid layout from [getbootstrap.com](https://getbootstrap.com/docs/4.0/layout/grid/).

EXAMPLE

.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1	.col-md-1
.col-md-4				.col-md-4				.col-md-4			
.col-md-4				.col-md-8							
.col-md-6						.col-md-6					
.col-md-12											



Bootstrap Content: Tables

The [Bootstrap table styling](#) is used to display information in a convenient format and can be created with the following syntax:

```
<table class="table">
  <thead>
    <tr>
      <th>Firstname</th>
      <th>Lastname</th>
    </tr>
  </thead>
  <tbody>
    <tr>
      <td>Mary</td>
      <td>Moe</td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
      <td>John</td>
      <td>Doe</td>
    </tr>
  </tbody>
</table>
```

Table class is already created in the Bootstrap CSS library.

Firstname	Lastname
Mary	Moe
John	Doe

Bootstrap Content: Table Styling

There are several ways to style a table with Bootstrap. For example, instead of `<table class="table">`, you could use the following options:

`<table class="table table-striped">`

Firstname	Lastname
Mary	Moe
John	Doe

`<table class="table table-bordered">`

Firstname	Lastname
Mary	Moe
John	Doe

Bootstrap Content: Table Styling (continued)

Other options for table styling include:

```
<table class="table table-hover">
```

Firstname	Lastname
Mary	Moe
John	Doe

```
<table class="table table-condensed">
```

Firstname	Lastname
Mary	Moe
John	Doe

[Click here to download the complete code for these examples.](#)

Bootstrap Components: Page Header

The Bootstrap page header component is self-explanatory and similar to a jumbotron. It can be created with the following syntax:

```
<div class="page-header">  
  <h1>Example Page Header</h1>  
</div>
```

Here is how it looks in action:

Example Page Header

Bootstrap Components: Carousels

The [Bootstrap carousel component](#) is used to flip between different content, left-to-right. The following slide will go over the carousel in more detail, with an interactive example.

Here is an example of how it looks in action:



Bootstrap Components: Carousels (continued)

Carousel Example:

- In this example, you have to use three different images. You can use any three images you like.
- Save your images as:
 - imageone.jpg
 - imagetwo.jpg
 - imagethree.jpg
- Put the code to the right into the `<body>` element of your HTML page, and view the page.

[Click here to download a completed example.](#)

```
<div id="myCarousel" class="carousel slide" data-ride="carousel">
  <!-- Indicators -->
  <ol class="carousel-indicators">
    <li data-target="#myCarousel" data-slide-to="0" class="active"></li>
    <li data-target="#myCarousel" data-slide-to="1"></li>
    <li data-target="#myCarousel" data-slide-to="2"></li>
  </ol>
  <!-- Wrapper for slides -->
  <div class="carousel-inner">
    <div class="item active">
      
    </div>
    <div class="item">
      
    </div>
    <div class="item">
      
    </div>
  </div>
  <!-- Left and right controls -->
  <a class="left carousel-control" href="#myCarousel" data-slide="prev">
    <span class="glyphicon glyphicon-chevron-left"></span>
    <span class="sr-only">Previous</span>
  </a>
  <a class="right carousel-control" href="#myCarousel" data-slide="next">
    <span class="glyphicon glyphicon-chevron-right"></span>
    <span class="sr-only">Next</span>
  </a>
</div>
```

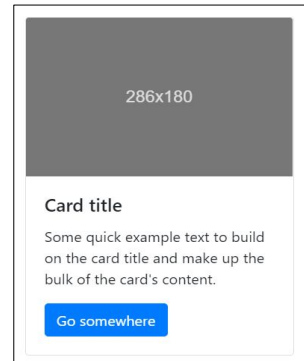
Bootstrap Components: Cards

The [Bootstrap card component](#) is a container used to display text, buttons, and other elements.

A card can be created with the following syntax:

```
<div class="card" style="width: 18rem;">
  
  <div class="card-body">
    <h5 class="card-title">Card title</h5>
    <p class="card-text">Some quick example text to build on
the card title and make up the bulk of the card's content.</p>
    <a href="#" class="btn btn-primary">Go somewhere</a>
  </div>
</div>
```

[Click here to download the source code for this example.](#)



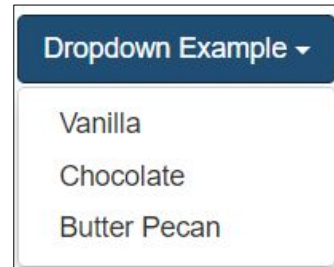
Bootstrap Components: Dropdown Menus

The [Bootstrap dropdown menu component](#) is used to display several options to choose from.

A dropdown menu can be created with the following syntax:

```
<div class="dropdown">
  <button class="btn btn-primary dropdown-toggle" type="button"
    data-toggle="dropdown">Dropdown Example
  <span class="caret"></span></button>
  <ul class="dropdown-menu">
    <li><a href="#">HTML</a></li>
    <li><a href="#">CSS</a></li>
    <li><a href="#">JavaScript</a></li>
  </ul>
</div>
```

[Click here to download the source code for this example.](#)

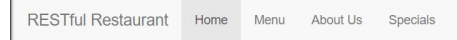


Bootstrap Components: Navigation Bar

A [Bootstrap navbar](#) is used to let users traverse a website more easily. A navigation bar is a navigation header that is placed at the top of the page. With Bootstrap, a navigation bar can extend or collapse, depending on the screen size.

A standard navigation bar is created in Bootstrap with `<nav class="navbar navbar-default">`.

```
<nav class="navbar navbar-default">
  <div class="container-fluid">
    <div class="navbar-header">
      <a class="navbar-brand" href="#">RESTful Restaurant</a>
    </div>
    <ul class="nav navbar-nav">
      <li class="active"><a href="#">Home</a></li>
      <li><a href="#">Menu</a></li>
      <li><a href="#">About Us</a></li>
      <li><a href="#">Specials</a></li>
    </ul>
  </div>
</nav>
```

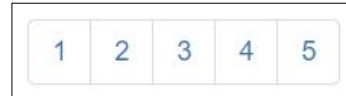


Bootstrap Components: Pagination

The [Bootstrap pagination component](#) is used to create elements that enable the user to traverse from page to page.

A pagination component can be created with the following syntax:

```
<nav aria-label="Page navigation example">
  <ul class="pagination">
    <li class="page-item"><a class="page-link" href="#">Previous</a></li>
    <li class="page-item"><a class="page-link" href="#">1</a></li>
    <li class="page-item"><a class="page-link" href="#">2</a></li>
    <li class="page-item"><a class="page-link" href="#">3</a></li>
    <li class="page-item"><a class="page-link" href="#">Next</a></li>
  </ul>
</nav>
```



[Click here to download the source code for this example.](#)

Bootstrap Components: Progress Bars

The [Bootstrap progress component](#) is used to show the user how far along they are in a process.

A progress component can be created with the following syntax:

```
<div class="progress">  
  <div class="progress-bar" role="progressbar" aria-valuenow="70" aria-valuemin="0" aria-valuemax="100" style="width:70%">  
    <span class="sr-only">70% Complete</span>  
  </div>  
</div>
```



[Click here to download the source code for this example.](#)

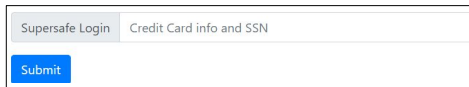
Bootstrap Forms: Input Group

The [Bootstrap .input-group class](#) creates a container to enhance an HTML form by adding an icon, text, or a button on either side of the input field as a "help text."

- Use `.input-group-prepend` to add the help text in front of the input, and `.input-group-append` to add it behind the input.
- Add the `.input-group-text` class to style the specified help text.

```
<form action="/action_page">
  <div class="input-group mb-3">
    <div class="input-group-prepend">
      <span class="input-group-text">Supersafe Login</span>
    </div>
    <input type="text" class="form-control" placeholder="Credit Card info and SSN" id="usr" name="username">
  </div>
  <button type="submit" class="btn btn-primary">Submit</button>
</form>
```

[Click here to download the source code for this example.](#)



Practice Assignment: Create your Website Using Bootstrap

Please follow the link below to the practice assignments for creating a website wireframe and creating a website using Bootstrap.

- [PA 307.6.1 - Creating a Wireframe for Admin and User pages](#)
- [PA 307.6.2 - Create your Website using Bootstrap](#)

If you have technical questions while performing the activity, ask your instructors for assistance.

Knowledge Check

- What are some of the pros of using Bootstrap?
- What are some of the cons of using Bootstrap?
- What are the two installation methods for including Bootstrap in your website?
- What is the Bootstrap grid layout?
- How do you style a striped table in Bootstrap?
- What is a Bootstrap Carousel, and how is it implemented?
- What is one class needed to create a Bootstrap card component?
- What are two classes are needed to create a Bootstrap drop-down menu?
- What are the benefits of using a Bootstrap navbar?

Summary

In this lesson, we explored Bootstrap and the Bootstrap syntax. Bootstrap is a powerful front-end framework for building responsive websites using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. Bootstrap also has many useful built-in features and building blocks for creating a wide variety of content.

Proper use of the framework can allow you to create and scale websites quickly. and the Bootstrap grid layout provides an easy way to format responsive content using a twelve-unit system that can adapt to different screen sizes.

Bootstrap components such as carousels, cards, dropdown menus, and navigation bars can be used to organize content efficiently, and the Bootstrap official documentation provides a useful, up-to-date resource on all things Bootstrap.

Questions?

