CodeSoc: Web development

Class 5: Multi-page sites & navigation

Last time

• Consolidated knowledge of HTML & elements

Outline

- 1. Introduction and creation of simple example website
- 2. (Today) The HTML document Page structure, content types & best practises
- 3. More HTML elements & adding style (part i)
- 4. More HTML elements & adding style (part ii) consolidating what we know
- 5. Multi-page sites & navigation
- 6. External style
- 7. Advanced CSS
- 8. Introduction to Javascript

Today

- Learn how to structure our HTML files for multi-page websites
- Use the <nav> element to provide navigation between our sites

Quick review

- The content of the website titles, paragraphs, images etc.
- Tell the browser the type of content by using *tags*
 - < <type> content </type> or <type> (
)
 - Tags may have attributes ,
- Each tag creates an element
- Elements may contain other elements
 - This nesting is a crucial part of HTML, it gives structure to the page
 - Key idea of CS split the problem/design into smaller subproblems & combine
 - We want to use this nesting often as it's often easier to think about smaller parts
- Special tags <div> and used for grouping elements
- In-line styling though the style= "..." attribute

First things

- Create a new folder which will act as the *root* of the website collection
- Now copy all of the sites you have made in previous classes to this folder
 - You might want to rename them to things like "class1.html"... "class2.html"
- Next create a new website called "home.html"
- Finally open the home.html file & add in html and body tags.

Navigation

- A <nav> tag is used to denote a navigation element
- All a navigation element is a collection of (local) links to other webpages
 - You can also use non-local links inside it
- It's sometimes a good idea to add a pipe character ("|") between links to make it look better

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<nav>
<nav>
<a href="home.html"> Home </a> |
<a href="class1.html"> Class 1 </a>
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Navigation

- Add in links to all of the sites you have made so far
- After it should look like the following (maybe without the heading I added)

My collection of sites!

Home | Class 1 | Class 2 | Class 3 | Challenge 1 | Challenge 2 | Challenge 3

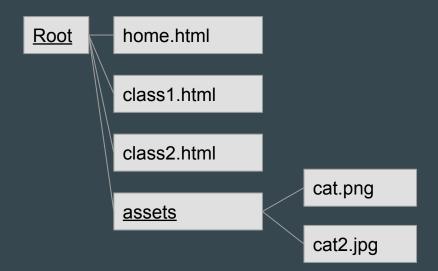
Navigation

- We have one problem when a link is clicked, we lose our navigation!
 - This is because your other websites don't have the <nav> element!
- Fortunately this is easy to resolve just copy and paste the <nav> element into a sensible place on the other sites

Making photos local

- We can link to pictures the same way we have linked to other pages
- Make a new folder inside the *root* folder called *assets*
 - This is where we will add the pictures we use
- Download all the pictures you have used previously to the *assets* folder
 - It'll help to give them semi-sensible names
- Recall our image tags have the src attribute
- We set this to "assets/imageName.fileType"
 - o fileType may be png, jpeg, jpg...

File structure



Final remarks

- Next time we will be using other assets CSS style sheets
- These will be added in a similar way and provide site-wide styling