

Global & non-global attributes

You have seen a few examples of attributes now: **start**, **id** and **class**. All HTML elements have attributes.

There are two kind of attributes:

- Global
- Non-global

GLOBAL ATTRIBUTES

Global attributes can be applied to **all tags**. They are common attributes. Examples of global attributes are 'id' and 'class'. There are many more global attributes. [Here is a list of all the global attributes](#) and the values they accept.

So attributes like 'id' and 'class' can be applied to any HTML tag.

```
<p id="para1" class="poetry" lang="en">The global attribute lang  
takes language codes for values. The code for English is 'en'.  
</p>
```

```
<html lang="fr"></html> - The language attribute tells the  
browser that the contents of this document will be in french.
```

```
<ul id="intro-list"></ul>
```

```
<pre class="html-code"></pre>
```

NON-GLOBAL ATTRIBUTES

Non-global attributes are attributes specific to a particular tag. Like **start** is an attribute for the `` tag. **start** cannot be applied on the `<p>` or `<h1>` tags and is specific to only ordered lists - ``. Another attribute specific to the `` tag is **reversed** which we learned in the last

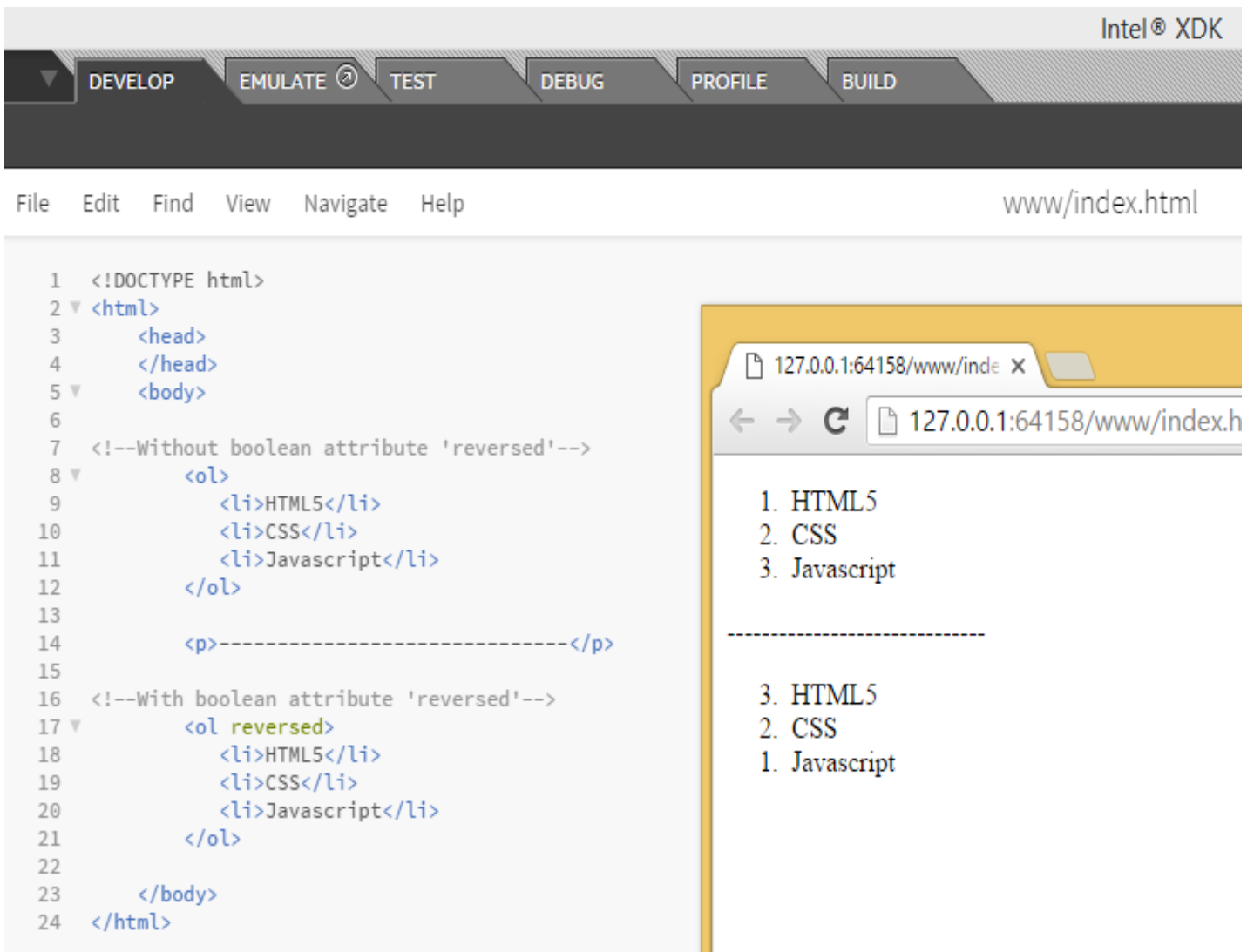
unit as an example of a boolean attribute.

Without the boolean attribute 'reversed':

```
<ol>
  <li>HTML5</li>
  <li>CSS</li>
  <li>Javascript</li>
</ol>
```

With the boolean attribute 'reversed':

```
<ol reversed>
  <li>HTML5</li>
  <li>CSS</li>
  <li>Javascript</li>
</ol>
```



Ordered lists have their own specific attributes and all global attributes can also be applied to them.

More examples:

The image `` and hyperlink `<a>` elements which we will be learning about shortly have many non-global attributes of their own.

`` - src, alt, etc.

`<a>` - href, target, download, etc.

Other than the common global attributes, if you wish to learn about the supported non-global attributes for any element, you can visit the [W3C HTML5 recommendation](#) or the [HTML](#)

[attribute reference](#) available at Mozilla Developer Network (MDN).

Important: Throughout the course, using the MDN attribute reference, you are encouraged to explore non-global attributes for the elements you learn about or would like to use in your webpage. In the MDN attribute reference list, you can click on the element's hyperlinked name to be navigated to its page that lists supported attributes for that element.

Try this: Navigate to the [HTML attribute reference](#) at Mozilla Developer Network and find out which element(s) the attributes 'muted' and 'readonly' can be applied to.

Try this: Navigate to the [HTML attribute reference](#) at Mozilla Developer Network and find out the non-global attributes that can be applied to the tag. If you click on the element, it will take you to the list tag's page which specifies applicable attributes.