**THE HISTORY OF HTML**

After Vannevar Bush first proposed the basics of hypertext in 1945, it laid the foundation for Tim Berners-Lee and others to invent the World Wide Web, HTML (hypertext markup language), HTTP (HyperText Transfer Protocol) and URLs (Universal Resource Locators) in 1990.

**05** HTML stands for HyperText Markup Language, it is the authoring language used to create documents on the World Wide Web. HTML is used to define the structure and layout of a Web page, how a page looks and any special functions. HTML does this by using what are called tags that have attributes. For example <p> means a paragraph break. As the **10** viewer of a web page you don’t see the HTML, it is hidden from your view, however, you do the results.

Tim Berners-Lee was the primary author of HTML, assisted by his colleagues at CERN, an international scientific organization based in Geneva, Switzerland. Tim Berners-Lee is currently the Director of the

**15** World Wide WebConsortium, the group that sets technical standards for the Web.

View a screen shot of Tim Berners-Lee’s Browser Editor as developed in 1991-92. This was a true browser editor for the first version of HTML and ran on a NeXt workstation. Implemented in Objective-C, it made it easy **20** to create, view and edit web documents. Hypertext Markup Language (FirstVersion of HTML) was formally published on June 1993.