# CSS POSITIONING

STATIC, FIXED, RELATIVE, ABSOLUTE

#### **POSITIONING**

Positioning is the ways in which elements such as divs can be positioned on a page.

4 methods:

Static Fixed Relative Absolute

# **POSITIONING**

Element's positioning can be set from the left, right, top or bottom of their container (parent) element

```
div{
   position: absolute;
   bottom: 5px;
}
```

## STATIC

- Elements are static by default. Static elements react to the normal flow of the page.
- Elements will take up the nearest available space on the left/top.
- Elements appear on the page in the order they were declared in HTML

### **FIXED**

- Fixed elements are positioned relative to the browser window.
- They move with the page as it is scrolled
- Useful for keeping important elements, such as navigation or calls to action in full view of the user.

# **TRY IT**



```
div{
    width: 60px;
    height: 200px;
    background: red;
    position: fixed;
    left: 0px;
    top: 60px;
}
```

# **RELATIVE**

- A relative positioned element is positioned relative to its normal position.
- Relative positioning can be confusing, and is most easily dealt with inside a container div.



```
.wrapper {
  width: 900px;
  height:600px;
  background-color: #333;
}
```

```
.relative {
  width:100px;
  height:100px;
  background-color: purple;
  position: relative;
  top: 200px;
  left: 40px;
}
```

```
.norm {
  width:100px;
  height:100px;
  background-color: white;
}
```

## **ABSOLUTE**

 An absolute position element is positioned relative to the first parent element that has a position other than static.

 If no such element is found, the containing block is <a href="https://www.element.no.neg.gov/">https://www.element.no.neg.gov/</a>

 Absolute elements are taken out of the normal flow, and are therefore ignored by other elements (unlike relative)

# TRY IT

 Take the previous example and use the css below on a new div:

position: absolute;

Try to move it on top of the other elements.

# **WARNING**

- CSS positioning is not generally used to layout a website in full.
- CSS positioning makes it difficult to create responsive websites.
- Most sites are laid out using div's with the 'float' property.



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