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Overview

In its simplest definition, `HTML` is the language used to code the layout of a web page.

HTML stands for Hypertext Markup Language. It was created to mark up a text document that would be rendered by a browser. HTML tells the browser how to display the content. You will use HTML to mark up a document using tags that a browser then reads. It uses the markup to divide the document into different elements that it will then display.

HTML allows for the text and or content of a document to be structured in a semantic manner. That is, rather than storing the document as a cluster of illegible data that only makes sense to the computer, a human can actually read and understand the HTML format. Think of HTML as building the framework of a document.

It is important to distinguish that HTML is *not* used for the look of the page, but for the structure of its contents. The look of the page is the job of Cascading Style Sheets (CSS), which you will learn later on in Coding From Scratch.

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The HTML standard is managed by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C). This organization is responsible for managing any potential changes to the HTML standard. These changes keep HTML relevant to current technology and to how the web is used.

Additional Info!

If you would like to read more about HTML, please visit: https://www.w3.org (https://www.w3.org/).

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