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What is CSS?

CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) is a language used to style the presentation of web pages, including layout, colors, fonts, and other design elements. It separates content (HTML) from presentation, allowing developers to define how HTML elements should look on the page. CSS helps in creating visually attractive, responsive, and consistent designs.

In web development, CSS plays a crucial role by:

* Defining layout (positioning, spacing, alignment) of elements.
* Specifying colors, fonts, and styling (like borders, shadows, etc.).
* Improving user experience with responsive design techniques (adapting to different screen sizes).
* Ensuring consistency across different web pages by reusing styles.

Example: Simple HTML Document with a Basic CSS Stylesheet

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<!DOCTYPE html>

<html lang="en">

<head>

<meta charset="UTF-8">

<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">

<title>Basic CSS Example</title>

<style>

/\* CSS Code \*/

/\* Body Styling \*/

body {

background-color: #f0f8ff; /\* Light blue background \*/

color: #333333; /\* Dark text color \*/

font-size: 18px; /\* Set the base font size \*/

font-family: Arial, sans-serif; /\* Set the font type \*/

}

/\* Header Styling \*/

h1 {

color: #2e8b57; /\* Sea green color for header \*/

font-size: 32px; /\* Larger font size for the header \*/

}

/\* Paragraph Styling \*/

p {

font-size: 20px; /\* Increase the font size for paragraphs \*/

}

</style>

</head>

<body>

<h1>Welcome to My Styled Webpage</h1>

<p>This is an example of how to use CSS to style a webpage. The background color, text color, and font size have been customized using CSS.</p>

</body>

</html>

Explanation of the CSS Code:

* <style> tag:
  + The <style> tag is used to embed CSS directly inside the HTML document. It can also be linked externally via a separate .css file, but for simplicity, this example uses an internal stylesheet.

Body Styling:

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body {

background-color: #f0f8ff;

color: #333333;

font-size: 18px;

font-family: Arial, sans-serif;

}

* background-color: #f0f8ff;: Sets the background color of the page to a light blue (#f0f8ff is a hex color code).
* color: #333333;: Changes the text color to a dark gray (#333333). This affects all text elements inside the body.
* font-size: 18px;: Defines the base font size for all text in the body. Here it's set to 18px, meaning 18 pixels in size.
* font-family: Arial, sans-serif;: Specifies the font to use. If Arial is not available, it falls back to any sans-serif font.

Header (h1) Styling:

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h1 {

color: #2e8b57;

font-size: 32px;

}

* color: #2e8b57;: Sets the color of the <h1> header text to sea green (#2e8b57).
* font-size: 32px;: Increases the font size of the header to 32 pixels, making it stand out as the main title of the page.

Paragraph (p) Styling:

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p {

font-size: 20px;

}

* font-size: 20px;: Increases the font size for all <p> (paragraph) elements to 20 pixels for better readability.

CSS in Web Development:

* Consistent Styling: CSS provides a centralized way to control the look of multiple elements across a website, making it easy to ensure visual consistency.
* Maintainability: Changing styles for an entire website can be done by editing a single CSS file, making updates simpler and faster.
* Separation of Concerns: CSS separates the design (presentation) from the HTML structure (content), making it easier to manage and collaborate with teams where one person handles design and another handles functionality.