HTML5 and CSS3 Introductory Second Edition

Unit E

Formatting Text with CSS



Objectives

- Assess web fonts
- Declare a font family
- Use a custom font
- Declare font size and line height
- Implement bold and italics



Objectives (continued)

- Style pseudo-elements
- Specify hex and RGB colors
- Add shadows
- Create a media query



Assess Web Fonts

- Web page font display limited by fonts available on users' machines
- How to implement fonts consistently:
 - Specify multiple font families
 - Font stack: List of font families in order of preference, separated by commas
 - Specify a generic font family
 - <u>Generic font families</u>: grouping of font families according to shared characteristics
 - Add to end of font stack



Assess Web Fonts (continued)

- How to implement fonts consistently (continued):
 - Use downloadable fonts
 - User agent downloads and applies fonts not installed on user's computer
 - Upload file containing elements of the font family to web publishing location or reference licensed downloadable font
 - Add @font-face rule to style sheet
 - Indicates font name and location of necessary files



Assess Web Fonts (continued)

Commonly used font stacks

font type	font stack	
wide sans-serif	Verdana, Geneva, sans-serif	
narrow sans-serif	Tahoma, Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif	
wide serif	Georgia, Palatino, "Palatino Linotype", serif	
narrow serif	"Times New Roman", Times, serif	
monospace	"Courier New", Courier, monospace	

Generic font families

generic font family	examples	characteristics	best for
Serif	Times New Roman Georgia	Finishing strokes at the end of each line making up a character	Headings on computer screens and other backlit displays
Sans-serif	Arial Tahoma	Lack of serifs ("sans" is French for "without")	Paragraphs of text on computer screens and other backlit displays
Monospace	Courier New Lucida Console	Each character uses the same amount of horizontal space	Code samples
Cursive	Monotype Corsiva Comic Sans	Flowing strokes that simulate handwritten text	Decorative purposes only, not main Web page text, as font families in these groups can be difficult to read
Fantasy	Papyrus Impact	Exaggerated style	



Declare a Font Family

- font-family property: Used to specify fonts in CSS
 - Value is font stack that includes font family name(s) and ends with generic font family name
 - Can be included in any style rule to apply to elements selected in that rule
- Test all fonts in your font stack
 - Use browser developer tools to test and not permanently changing the CSS code

Unit E Declare a Font Family (continued)

 Code with font-family declarations and display

```
border-right: 1px solid black;
23
       background-color: aliceblue;
       font-family: Tahoma, Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;
25
26
    /* headings */
    h1, h2 {
29
       padding: 0.4em;
       text-align: center;
       font-family: "Times New Roman", Times, serif;
31
```





Use a Custom Font

- Custom fonts help to
 - Create uniformity
 - Add wider font possibilities
- Available online, e.g.
 - Google.com/fonts
 - Defaults to only the normal version of font
 - Make selections to make other versions, such as bold or italic, available



Use a Custom Font (continued)

Code with link element to custom font

```
<script src="modernizr.custom.62074.js"></script>
16
          →<link href='http://fonts.googleapis.com/css?family=Bitter', rel='stylesheet'</p>
17
            type='text/css'>
            <link rel="stylesheet" href="styles.css">
18
   link element
                                                                                              link element for
                                          href value references an
copied from Google
                                                                                              font placed before link
                                          address on a web server
    Fonts website
                                                                                              element for website
                                                                                              style sheet
```

Custom font added to font stack

```
h1, h2 {
   padding: 0.4em;

text-align: center;

font-family: Bitter, "Times New Roman", Times, serif;
}
```



Declare Font Size and Line Height

- font-size property: used to specify font size of an element
 - Can specify size in many different units
- Useful to specify font-sizes in style sheet to standardize visual display of font size in different browsers
 - Specify html element in px
 - Specify other elements in em or rem



Declare Font Size and Line Height (continued)

- By default, each font family includes blank space above and below every line of text
- Use line-height property to set minimum amount of vertical space each line occupies
- Adjusting line-height helps create white space, which is used for visual effect

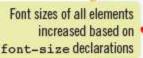


Declare Font Size and Line Height (continued)

Code and resulting presentation

```
10  /* reset styles */
11  html {
12    font-size: 12px;
13  }
14  article, body, div, footer, header, h1, h2, p {
29    p {
30       font-size: 1.2em;
31       line-height: 1.4em;
32  }

40  h1 {
41       color: ivory;
42       background-color: darkgoldenrod;
43       font-size: 3em;
44  }
45  h2 {
46       font-size: 2.4em;
47  }
```



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Space between lines of text in p elements increased as a result of line-height declaration



Implement Bold and Italics

- Bold and italics often applied to words or phrases
- Use span element to isolate specific sections for formatting:
 - > span element creates an inline element
 - Does not fill space of parent element
 - Is not rendered with line breaks before or after
 - Assign class value to span element



Implement Bold and Italics (continued)

- CSS font properties to format text
 - > Font-weight for bold
 - > Font-style for italic

property	description	example
font-style	Provides access to a font family's italic or oblique style font-style: italic;	
font-variant	Provides access to a font family's small caps style font-variant: small-caps;	
font-weight	Sets the weight of text using keywords or values including normal, bold, or a multiple of 100 up to 900, where 100 is lightest and 900 is heaviest	font-weight: bold;
font-size	Changes an element's font size to a value specified in an applicable unit, including px, %, rem, or em	font-size: 2em;
line-height	Specifies the height of each line containing text in an applicable unit, including px, %, rem, or em	line-height: 1.4em;
font-family	Specifies one or more font families and/or a generic font, separated by commas; font family names composed of multiple words must be surrounded by quotes	font-family: "Times New Roman", Times, serif;
font	Shorthand property that can set all 6 preceding properties in a single declaration, using the syntax [font-style] [font-variant] [font-weight] font-size [/line-height] font-family; at minimum, both font-size and font-family values must be specified, and all values within square brackets are optional	font: italic small- caps bold 2em/1.4em "Times New Roman", Times, serif

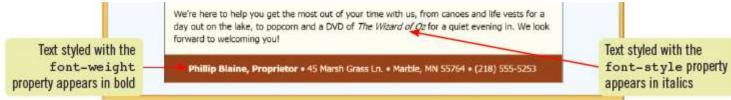


Implement Bold and Italics (continued)

Span element added

```
We' re here to help you get the most out of your time v
 Owner's name
                                                                             Movie title enclosed within
             canoes and life vests for a day out on the lake, to popcorn and
    enclosed | span class="title">The Wizard of Oz / span | for a quiet evening | span tags with
                                                                              class value title
             forward to welcoming you!
<span> tags /article>
 with class footer>
             <span class="accent">Phillip Blaine, Proprietor</span> &bull; 45 Marsh Grass
value accent
             Ln. • Marble, MN 55764 • (218) 555-5253
          </footer>
    article p {
       padding: 0 1em 1em;
    .title (
       font-style: italic;
    /* footer section */
    footer p {
68
       margin: 0.4em;
69
    .accent
       font-weight: bold;
```

span element rendered





Style Pseudo-Elements

- Pseudo-element: selector that enables you to isolate a portion of a larger element for styling
 - Selector format example
 - article p:first-line
- Create a drop cap
 - Use :first-letter pseudo-element
 - Use float property
 - Use line-height property



Style Pseudo-Elements (continued)

CSS pseudo-elements

pseudo-element	effect	properties commonly used with
:first-line	styles the first line of text in the current element	font-family, font-size, font-weight
:first-letter	styles the first letter of text in the current element	font-family, font-size, line-height
:before	inserts specified content before the content of the current element	content
:after	inserts specified content after the content of the current element	content
:selection	styles web page content selected by user	background-color, color



Style Pseudo-Elements (continued)

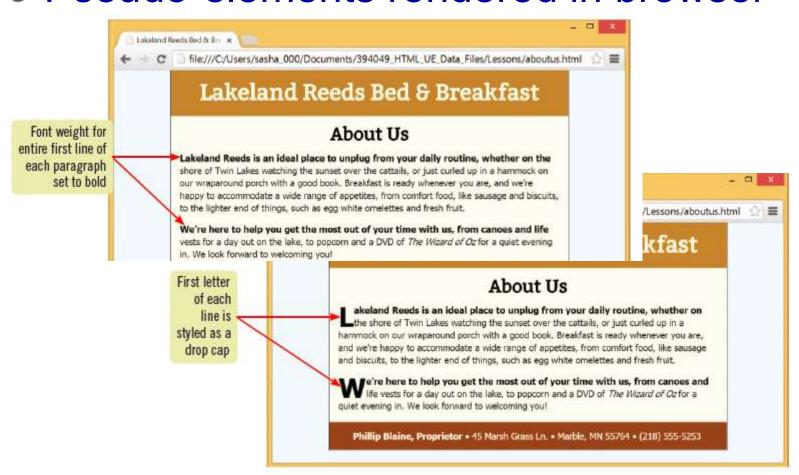
Code for : first-line and:first-letter pseudo-elements

```
/* main content */
    article {
       background-color: ivory;
    article p {
       padding: 0 lem lem;
    article p:first-line {
       font-weight: bold;
    article p:first-letter {
     font-size: 3em;
      float: left;
       line-height: 0.9em;
63
64
    .title {
65
       font-style: italic;
56
```



Style Pseudo-Elements (continued)

Pseudo-elements rendered in browser





Specify Hex and RGB Colors

- color and background-color properties: used to specify the color of text and other HTML elements
- Four ways to specify colors:
 - color name
 - hexadecimal format
 - > rgb format, includes rgba
 - hsl format, includes hsla



Specify Hex and RGB Colors (continued)

CSS color systems

system	format	support
name	name where name is a name from the CSS3 list of 147 colors	all browsers
hexadecimal	# $rrggbb$ or # rgb where rr (or r) is the red value, gg (or g) is the green value, and bb (or b) is the blue value in hexadecimal absolute value (00–FF or 0–F)	all browsers
RGB	rgb(rrr, ggg, bbb) where rrr is the red value, ggg is the green value, and bbb is the blue value in absolute value (0–255) or percent (0%–100%)	all browsers
RGBa	rgba(rrr,ggg,bbb,a) same as RGB but where a is a decimal value representing the alpha (transparency); 0 is fully transparent and 1 is fully opaque	modern browsers (not IE8)
HSL	hs1(hhh,sss*,111*) where hhh is the hue value in degrees (0–360), sss is the saturation value in percent (0%–100%), and 111 is the light value in percent (0%–100%)	modern browsers (not IE8)
HSLa	hsla(hhh,sss,111,a) same as HSL but where a is a decimal value representing the alpha (transparency); 0 is fully transparent and 1 is fully opaque	modern browsers (not IE8)



Specify Hex and RGB Colors (continued)

Code using hex and rgb colors

```
/* body */
    body {
                                                                       Hex value where first two characters
        max-width: 640px;
                                                                       specify the red value, next two the green
23
        margin: 0 auto;
                                                                       value, and last two the blue value
        border-left: 1px solid black;
        border-right: 1px solid black
        background-color: #dee9f9;
27
        font-family: Tahoma, Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;
     /* headings */
    h1, h2 f
3.6
        padding: 0.4em;
37
        text-align: center;
                                                                       RGB value where the first number specifies
38
        font-family: Bitter, "Times New Roman", Times, serif;
                                                                       the red value, the next one the green value,
39
    1
                                                                       and the last one the blue value
40
   hl {
        color: ivory;
        background-color: rgb(184,148,77);
        font-size: 3em;
     /* footer section */
    footer
        padding: 0.6em;
                                                                       OK to use different color schemes in the
        color: ivory;
        background-color: rgb(52,24,15
                                                                       same style sheet
        text-align: center;
```



Specify Hex and RGB Colors (continued)

 hex and rgb color codes rendered in a browser





Add Shadows

- text-shadow: creates the appearance of a shadow behind text
- box-shadow: creates the appearance of a shadow behind an element
- text-shadow and box-shadow both
 - Support four values: horizontal offset, vertical offset, blur, and shadow color
- box-shadow also supports
 - Spread distance and inset



Add Shadows (continued)

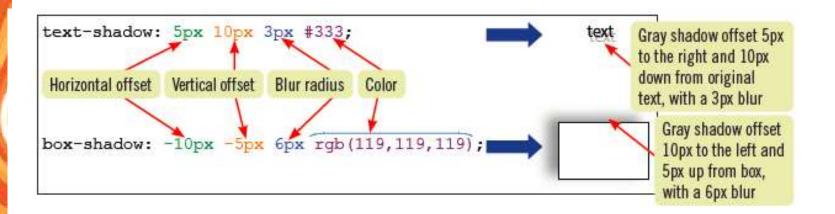
(continued)
Syntax of the text-shadow and box-shadow properties

property	value	affects	notes
text-shadow and box-shadow	horizontal offset	location of shadow horizontally behind text or box	Required value; must be the first number in the list; positive value offsets shadow to the right, and negative value offsets shadow to the left
	vertical offset	location of shadow verti- cally behind text or box	Required value; must be the second number in the list; positive value offsets the shadow down, and negative value offsets the shadow up
	blur radius	blurriness of shadow	Optional value; must be positive; must be third number in list; value of 0 creates a shadow with a sharp edge
	color	color of shadow behind text or box	Optional value; may appear before or after numerical settings
box-shadow only	spread distance	expansion or contraction of shadow	Optional value; must be the fourth number in the list; positive value expands shadow by the specified value, and negative value contracts the shadow
	inset	whether shadow is displayed outside or inside of border	Optional inset keyword makes the shadow display inside the element border; may appear before or after other settings



Add Shadows (continued)

 Examples of text-shadow and boxshadow





Add Shadows (continued)

 Code for text-shadow and boxshadow and resulting web page

```
border-light. 1px solid black,

background-color: #dee9f9;

font-family: Tahoma, Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;

box-shadow: D 10px 6px -6px #777;

p }

thi {

color: ivory;

background-color: rgb(184,148,77);

font-size: 3em;

text-shadow: 2px -1px 2px rgb(52,24,15);

}
```



Heading text formatted with dark brown shadow that extends above it and to the right



Create a Media Query

- Media queries: used to create a group of rules for a specific device
 - > Starts with @media
 - Lists one or more values for media type
- Media type values for media queries

media type	intended use
all	All devices
print	Printed output and print preview on a screen
screen	Computer screen
speech	Screen reader



Create a Media Query (continued)

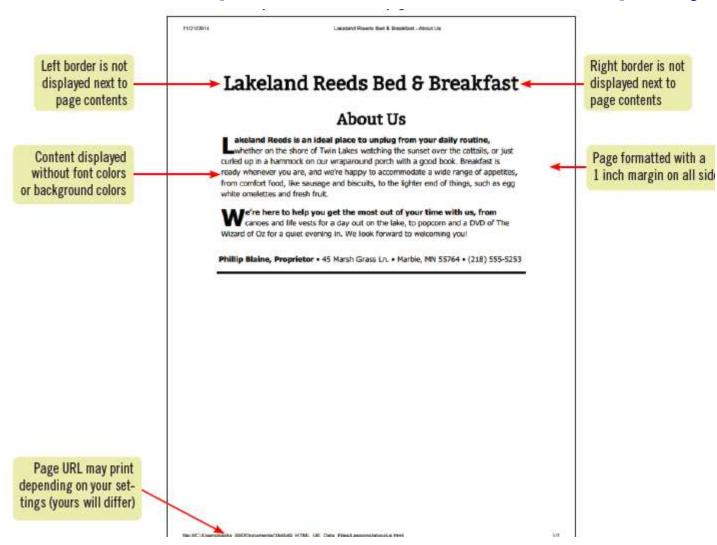
 Code for media query for printed output

```
/* print styles */
    @media print
        body, hl, article, footer (
86
           color: #000:
           background-color: #fff;
                                                        Style rules indented
                                                        within curly braces
        body
                                                        for media query
           max-width: 100%;
92
           border: 0;
94
95
     @page
96
        margin: lin;
```



Create a Media Query (continued)

Printed output based on media query





Summary

- It is important to implement fonts so that they will be displayed consistently on different user agents
- Font stacks are declared using the font-family property
- span element: generic element used
 to isolate a portion of another element
 - Used to create an inline element



- Use custom fonts to widen font possibilities and to create uniformity
- Different aspects of font can be set using CSS properties, such as:
 - > font-size property: set the font size
 - > font-weight property: make font bold
 - > font-style property: make font italic
- Use line-height property to create space above and below every line of text



- span element: generic element used
 to isolate a portion of another element
 - Used to create an inline element
 - Used to apply bold/italic to text specified by span element
- Pseudo-elements to style a portion of an element
- :before and :after allow you to generate repeated content from style rules, without changing HTML code



- In CSS, colors specified by name,
 rgb/rgba, hex, or hsl/hsla value
 - color property: sets font color
 - background property: sets background color
- text-shadow and box-shadow properties used to create shadows
 - both support: horizontal/vertical offset, blur radius, color
 - box-shadow only supports: spread
 distance, inset



- Media query specifies style rules for a specific device
 - > Starts with @media
 - Supports media type values: all, print, screen, and speech