

## HTML Cheat Sheet for Basic Website Design

| Category  | Tag/Element            | Purpose / Example                                  |
|-----------|------------------------|--|
| Structure | <!DOCTYPE html>        | Declares HTML5 document                            |
|           | <html>                 | Root of the HTML document                          |
|           | <head>                 | Contains meta info, title, links                   |
|           | <body>                 | Holds visible content                              |
|           | <title>                | Sets the page title (in browser tab)               |
|           | <meta charset="UTF-8"> | Character encoding                                 |
|           | <meta name="viewport"> | Responsive scaling on mobile                       |
|           |                        |  |
| Layout    | <header>               | Top of page or section                             |
|           | <nav>                  | Navigation bar/links                               |
|           | <main>                 | Main content of the page                           |
|           | <section>              | Thematic section of content                        |
|           | <article>              | Independent content (e.g. blog post)               |
|           | <aside>                | Sidebar or related content                         |
|           | <footer>               | Bottom of page (contact, links)                    |
|           | <div>                  | Generic block container                            |
| Text      | <span>                 | Generic inline container                           |
|           | <h1> to <h6>           | Headings from largest to smallest                  |
|           | <p>                    | Paragraph  |
|           | <br>                   | Line break   |
|           | <hr>                   | Horizontal rule/divider                            |
|           | <strong>               | Bold + semantic importance                         |
|           | <em>                   | Italic + semantic emphasis                         |
|           | <b>                    | Bold only  |
|           | <i>                    | Italic only  |
|           | <small>                | Smaller text                                       |
|           | <mark>                 | Highlighted text                                   |
|           |                        |  |
| Lists     | <ul>                   | Unordered (bulleted) list                          |
|           | <ol>                   | Ordered (numbered) list                            |
|           | <li>                   | List item  |
| Links     | <a href="url">         | Creates a hyperlink                                |
| Images    |     | Displays image (use alt, width, height attributes) |
| Forms     | <form>                 | Form container                                     |

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|             | <input>                    | Single-line input field                                       |
|             | <textarea>                 | Multi-line input field  |
|             | <label>                    | Label for form elements                                       |
|             | <button>                   | Clickable button (usually to submit)                          |
| Media/Embed | <video src="..." controls> | Embeds video with controls                                    |
|             | <audio src="..." controls> | Embeds audio with controls                                    |
|             | <iframe src="...">         | Embeds external page/content (e.g. map, video)                |
| Styling     | <link rel="stylesheet">    | Link to external CSS file                                     |
|             | style="" (inline CSS)      | Apply CSS styles directly (not recommended for many elements) |