# INTERNPE INTERNSHIP/TRAINING PROGRAM CSS 1(NOTES CONTENT)



# **Chapter 1: Introduction to CSS**

Imagine you're decorating a room. You have furniture, walls, and windows. Now, what if you want to make it look stylish and unique? You'd probably use colors, patterns, and arrangements to achieve that, right? Well, that's exactly what CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) does for web pages!

#### What is CSS?

- CSS is like the stylist for web pages. It's a language that makes your website look attractive and organized.
- It stands for "Cascading Style Sheets." The "cascading" part means that styles can be applied in layers, and they can be overridden when needed.

#### Why Do We Need CSS?

- Imagine reading a book without paragraphs, headings, or colors. It'd be quite confusing, right? CSS helps structure and beautify web pages for a better user experience.
- It separates the content (like text and images) from how it looks. This separation makes it easier to change the appearance without altering the content.

#### **How Does CSS Work?**

- CSS works by selecting HTML elements and adding styles to them.
- For example, you can say, "Hey, all the headings in my web page should be blue and bigger."
- You write these styles in a separate CSS file or directly within the HTML using <style> tags.

#### **CSS Syntax: Rules and Properties**

- CSS has a simple structure: rules. Each rule has a selector, a property, and a value.
- Selector: It's like choosing which part of your web page you want to style. It could be an element (like <h1>), a class (like .highlight), or an ID (like #header).
- Property: This tells CSS what aspect of the selected element you want to change.
   It could be the color, font, size, and more.
- Value: It's the specific setting you want to apply to the property. For example, color: blue;.

#### **Linking CSS to HTML**

- Just like giving your stylist a set of instructions, you link the CSS file to your HTML document using the link> tag.
- The tag lives inside the <head> section of your HTML.

- It's like telling the web browser, "Hey, here's the style guide for my webpage!" Inline CSS and Internal Styles
  - If you want to apply styles directly to a specific HTML element, you can use inline CSS.
  - For internal styles, you can use the <style> tag within the HTML document itself.
  - But usually, external CSS files are preferred for better organization and reusability.

In essence, CSS is the tool you use to make your web page visually appealing, just like how you choose colors, patterns, and designs to make a room look fabulous. It's the art of presentation that transforms plain content into an eye-catching and enjoyable online experience.

# Page 2: CSS Syntax and Selectors

Imagine you're organizing a closet. You need labels to identify different types of clothes.

Similarly, CSS uses "selectors" to pick elements in your web page that you want to style. Let's dive into how it all works:

### **CSS Syntax: Rules and Declarations**

- CSS is like a set of rules that the browser follows to style your web page.
- Each rule is made up of a "selector," a "declaration block," and inside it, you have "declarations."
- The selector is like the label on your closet shelf. It tells the browser which element to style.
- The declaration block is like the area where you organize your clothes. It's enclosed in curly braces {}.
- Inside the declaration block, you have "declarations" which consist of a "property" and a "value."
- The property is like the type of clothes (e.g., color, font-size) you're styling.
- The value is like the specific style (e.g., red, 16px) you want for that property.

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```
property: value;
another-property: another-value;
```

#### **Selectors: Choosing What to Style**

- Elements Selector: Imagine you're labeling all the t-shirts in your closet. In CSS, you select elements by their names, like p for paragraphs, h1 for headings, and so on.
- Class Selector: Sometimes, you have a specific group of clothes that you want to label differently, like "summer collection." In CSS, you use classes to select elements with a specific class name, like .summer.
- ID Selector: IDs are like unique tags for specific clothes, just like a favorite dress.
   In CSS, you select elements by their IDs using #, like #favorite-dress.
- Combining Selectors: You can also combine selectors to target specific elements more precisely.

#### **Grouping and Nesting**

 Grouping: Imagine you're labeling all the blue clothes. In CSS, you can group selectors to apply the same style to multiple elements at once.

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```
1, h2, h3 {
  color: blue;
```

 Nesting: Just like organizing clothes within drawers, you can nest selectors within each other. This is especially useful when styling elements within a specific context.

css

```
.container p {
  font-size: 14px;
```

#### **Pseudo-classes and Pseudo-elements**

- Pseudo-classes: These are like extra labels for specific conditions, such as when you're wearing clothes. For example, :hover applies styles when you hover over an element with your mouse.
- Pseudo-elements: These are like adding a temporary label to the last item in a row. They allow you to style parts of an element, like the first line or the first letter.

css

```
a:hover {
  color: purple;
}

p::first-line {
  font-weight: bold;
}
```

In summary, CSS syntax is like a set of rules to tell browsers how to style your web page.

Selectors are like labels that help you choose which parts of your page to style. By understanding these basics, you're ready to dive into the world of styling and make your web pages look amazing!

# Page 3: Color and Background

Imagine you're painting a picture. You'd choose colors for different parts, right? Well, in CSS, you choose colors to make your web page vibrant and appealing. Let's explore how you can add colors and backgrounds to your elements:

Color (color Property):

- Just like choosing a color for your clothes, you can set the color of your text using the color property.
- You can use named colors like "red," "blue," or "green." For example: color: red;.
- Or you can use hexadecimal codes like #FF5733 for more precise colors.
- RGB values (e.g., rgb (255, 87, 51)) and HSL values (e.g., hsl (15, 100%, 50%)) are other ways to express colors.

#### Background Color (background-color Property):

- Think of this as the paint you use to color the walls of your room (element).
- You apply background color to an element using the background-color property.
- Just like text color, you can use named colors, hexadecimal codes, RGB, or HSL values.

#### Background Image (background-image Property):

- Imagine sticking a poster on your wall. In CSS, you can use background images to decorate your element's background.
- You use the background-image property and provide the URL of the image. For example: background-image: url("image.jpg");.

#### Background Size (background-size Property):

- This is like adjusting the size of your poster to fit your wall perfectly.
- You can use values like cover to make the image cover the entire element or contain to fit it inside while maintaining its aspect ratio.

#### **Background Position (background-position Property):**

- Imagine sliding your poster up, down, or to the side on your wall. With the background-position property, you can position your background image accordingly.
- You can use keywords like top, bottom, left, and right, or you can use percentage values.

#### Multiple Backgrounds (background Shorthand):

- It's like putting multiple posters on your wall. You can stack background images using the background shorthand property.
- You provide values for image URLs, sizes, positions, and more, all in one line.

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Adding color and background to your web page is like choosing the right colors for your canvas and adding artistic patterns. It makes your content visually appealing and brings life to your online creation!

# Page 4: Typography

Typography is like choosing the style of writing for your story. Just as different fonts, sizes, and spacing affect how a book looks, CSS lets you control how the text on your web page appears. Let's explore the world of typography:

#### Font Family (font-family Property):

- Think of font family as the "handwriting" of your text. It defines the style of letters and characters.
- You can set the font family using the font-family property. For example: font-family: Arial, sans-serif;.
- The browser uses the first font in the list that the user's computer has. If not, it uses the backup fonts.

#### Font Size (font-size Property):

- Font size is like choosing how big or small the letters in your story should be.
- You use the font-size property to set the size. For example: font-size: 16px;.

#### Font Weight (font-weight Property):

- This is like deciding whether your letters should be bold or light.
- You use the font-weight property to make text bold or normal. For example: font-weight: bold;.

#### Line Height (line-height Property):

- Imagine setting the spacing between lines in your story. Line height is like that.
- You use the line-height property to set the space between lines of text. For example: line-height: 1.5;.

#### Text Decoration (text-decoration Property):

- Text decoration is like underlining or crossing out words in your story.
- You can use text-decoration: underline; Or text-decoration: line-through; to add lines below or through text.

#### Text Transform (text-transform Property):

- This is like changing the case of your text. You can make letters uppercase, lowercase, or capitalize the first letter.
- You use the text-transform property for this. For example: text-transform: uppercase;.

#### Font Style (font-style Property):

- Font style is like slanting your handwriting. You can make text italic or normal.
- You use the font-style property for this. For example: font-style: italic;.

#### **Google Fonts and Custom Fonts:**

- Just like choosing a unique pen for your writing, you can use custom fonts on your website.
- Google Fonts provides a wide range of fonts you can easily include in your CSS.
- You link to the font in your HTML's <head> section and then use it in your CSS.

<link href="https://fonts.googleapis.com/css2?family=Roboto:wght@300&display=swap"
rel="stylesheet">

Typography in CSS is like adding your personal touch to the words on your webpage. It's the art of choosing the right "handwriting" that matches your content's tone and style, making it visually appealing and engaging for your readers.

# Page 5: Box Model

Imagine you're wrapping presents. You have the gift itself, some padding to protect it, a beautiful wrapping paper (border), and a space around it. In CSS, every element is like a box, and the box model helps you control how much space it takes and how it's presented on your web page. Let's unwrap the concept:

#### **Content Area:**

- Think of this as the actual gift you're wrapping. It's the text, image, or other content inside your element.
- The content area is where your text or images reside.

#### Padding:

- Padding is like the cushioning inside your gift box. It creates space between the content and the border.
- You can add padding using the padding property. For example: padding: 10px;.

#### **Border:**

- Imagine the border as the decorative paper around your gift. It outlines the content area and gives it a distinct look.
- You use the border property to add borders. For example: border: 1px solid black;.

#### Margin:

- Margin is like the space you leave around the gift box when placing it on a shelf. It creates distance between elements.
- You can add margin using the margin property. For example: margin: 20px;.

#### **Total Space Calculation:**

- The total space a box occupies includes content, padding, border, and margin.
- For example, if you set a box's width to 200px, and you add 10px padding, a 2px border, and 20px margin, the actual width it'll take on the page will be 242px (200 + 10 + 2 + 20).

#### Box Sizing: content-box VS border-box:

- By default, the width you set applies only to the content area. The padding, border, and margin add up.
- With the border-box value for box-sizing, the padding and border are included in the specified width.
- It's like telling the browser to consider the total size of the gift box you're defining.

```
.element {
  box-sizing: border-box;
}
```

The box model in CSS is like shaping how your elements appear on the webpage. It's the art of creating well-proportioned spaces, padding, borders, and margins around your content, making it look neat and visually appealing. Just like you carefully arrange the elements inside a gift box, the CSS box model helps you arrange and present your content beautifully on your web page.

### Page 6: Positioning and Layout

Imagine arranging furniture in a room. You place chairs, tables, and shelves to create a comfortable and organized space. In CSS, positioning and layout are like arranging elements on your web page to create a visually pleasing and structured design. Let's explore how this works:

#### **Position Property:**

- The position property determines how an element is placed on the page. It's like deciding where to put your furniture.
- The values for position are:
  - static: Default value; elements follow the normal flow of the page.
  - relative: Allows you to move an element relative to its normal position.
  - absolute: Positions an element relative to its nearest positioned ancestor (or the body if none exists).
  - fixed: Positions an element relative to the viewport (doesn't move when you scroll).
  - sticky: Acts like relative until a certain scroll point, then becomes fixed.

#### **Display Property:**

- The display property defines how an element is displayed. It's like choosing the type of furniture you're using.
- Common values include:
  - block: Elements take up the entire width of their container (like a bookshelf).
  - inline: Elements take up only as much width as needed (like a picture hanging on a wall).
  - inline-block: Combines aspects of both block and inline.

#### **Floating Elements:**

- Floating is like making elements float, similar to how you might position a floating shelf on a wall.
- You use the float property to move an element to the left or right, allowing text and other elements to wrap around it.
- Floating is commonly used for creating layouts with multiple columns.

#### **Clearing Floats:**

- Just as you'd ensure there's enough space around a floating shelf, in CSS, you use the clear property to prevent elements from wrapping around a floated element.
- For example, if you have a floating sidebar, you might clear the float to ensure that content below it doesn't wrap around.

```
.sidebar {
  float: left;
```

```
.content {
  clear: left; /* Prevents content from wrapping around the floated sidebar */
}
```

#### Flexbox and Grid Layouts:

- Flexbox and Grid are modern layout techniques that make positioning elements easier.
- Flexbox is like arranging items on a shelf, allowing you to create flexible row or column layouts.
- Grid is like creating a grid of shelves, giving you precise control over rows and columns.

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.container {
  display: flex; /* Creates a flex container */
  justify-content: space-between; /* Distributes items along the main axis */
  align-items: center; /* Aligns items along the cross axis */
}
```

In a nutshell, positioning and layout in CSS are like arranging furniture in a room to create a comfortable and visually appealing space. By using positioning properties, display options, floating, and advanced layout techniques like Flexbox and Grid, you can design web pages that are organized, functional, and aesthetically pleasing.

# Page 7: Responsive Design

Imagine a shirt that magically adjusts its size based on who's wearing it. Responsive design in CSS is like creating a webpage that adapts to different devices, like big

computer screens and small smartphones, ensuring an optimal viewing experience for everyone. Let's explore how you can make your web page responsive:

#### **Viewport Tag (**<meta>**)**:

- Just as you adjust your glasses to see clearly, you set up the viewport tag to adjust how your web page fits on different devices.
- The <meta> tag with name="viewport" attribute tells the browser how to scale and adjust the content to the screen size.

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

#### **Media Queries:**

- Media queries are like having different sets of clothes for different occasions. In CSS, you use media queries to apply different styles based on the screen size.
- You specify conditions using media types (e.g., screen, print) and features (e.g., max-width, min-width).

```
@media (max-width: 768px) {
   /* Styles for screens smaller than 768px */
}
```

#### Flexible Layouts:

- Flexible layouts are like stretchy clothes that fit everyone perfectly. They adapt to different screen sizes.
- Techniques like Flexbox and CSS Grid help you create flexible, multi-column layouts that adjust gracefully.

```
.container {
  display: flex; /* Creates a flexible container */
  flex-wrap: wrap; /* Allows items to wrap to the next line */
}
```

#### **Images that Resize:**

- Just as clothes should fit regardless of size, images on your webpage should also adjust.
- Use the max-width: 100%; property to ensure images don't overflow their containers and maintain their aspect ratios.

```
img {
  max-width: 100%; /* Makes images responsive */
  height: auto; /* Maintains aspect ratio */
}
```

#### Fluid Typography:

- Typography is like choosing the right font size for different occasions.
   With fluid typography, your text adjusts to different screen sizes.
- You can use relative units like em or rem to make font sizes responsive.

```
body {
  font-size: 1rem; /* A baseline font size */
}

@media (max-width: 768px) {
  body {
   font-size: 0.9rem; /* Smaller font size for smaller screens */
  }
}
```

Responsive design in CSS is like creating a versatile outfit that looks great on everyone, no matter their size or shape. By using viewport settings, media queries, flexible layouts, and adjusting images and typography, you ensure that your website provides a seamless and enjoyable experience for users on various devices.

# **Page 8: Transitions and Animations**

Imagine your webpage is a magical book that transforms its pages smoothly when you turn them. CSS transitions and animations let you add enchanting effects to elements, making them change color, size, or position gracefully. Let's explore how you can bring this magic to your web page:

#### Transitions (transition Property):

- Transitions are like making a smooth transformation between two pages of your magical book. It's a gradual change from one state to another.
- You use the transition property to specify which property you want to transition, the duration, timing function, and delay.

```
.element {

transition: property duration timing_function delay:
```

transition: property duration timing-function delay;

- Property: The property you want to transition, like color, width, etc.
- Duration: How long the transition should take, like 0.5s for half a second.
- Timing Function: The speed curve of the transition, like <code>ease-in-out</code> for a smooth start and end.
- Delay: How long to wait before the transition starts, like 0.2s.

#### Animations (@keyframes Rule):

- Animations are like creating a sequence of magical transformations.
   It's a series of changes over time, like a dance routine for elements.
- You define animations using the @keyframes rule, where you set up different stages of the animation with percentages.

```
@keyframes animation-name {
   0% { /* Starting state */ }
   50% { /* Midway state */ }
```

```
100% { /* Ending state */ }
}
```

#### Applying Animations (animation Property):

 Once you have your animation defined, you use the animation property to apply it to an element.

```
.element {
  animation: animation-name duration timing-function delay
iteration-count direction fill-mode;
}
```

- Animation Name: The name of the animation you defined with @keyframes.
- Duration: How long the animation should take.
- Timing Function: The speed curve of the animation.
- Delay: How long to wait before the animation starts.
- Iteration Count: How many times the animation should repeat.
- Direction: Whether the animation goes forward, backward, or alternates.
- Fill Mode: How the animation behaves before and after it plays.

#### Combining Transitions and Animations:

- You can even combine transitions with animations to create complex effects.
- For example, you can transition the color of an element and simultaneously animate its movement.

```
.element {
  transition: color 0.3s ease-in-out;
  animation: move-and-fade 2s infinite alternate;
}

@keyframes move-and-fade {
  0% { transform: translateX(0); opacity: 1; }
  100% { transform: translateX(100px); opacity: 0; }
}
```

Transitions and animations in CSS are like adding enchanting effects to your web page, turning it into an interactive and captivating experience. By smoothly transitioning between states and creating delightful animations using keyframes, you can engage your visitors and make your web content come to life.



### Page 9: Pseudo-classes and Pseudo-elements

Imagine having magical glasses that allow you to change the color of objects you look at. In CSS, pseudo-classes and pseudo-elements are like these magical tools that let you apply styles to specific parts of your elements. Let's explore how you can use them to add special effects and styling:

#### Pseudo-classes (:pseudo-class):

- Pseudo-classes are like filters you apply to elements under certain conditions.
   They allow you to style elements when they are in a specific state or interacted with
- You use a colon followed by the pseudo-class name to target these states.

#### Pseudo-elements (::pseudo-element):

- Pseudo-elements are like adding extra magical objects before or after elements.
   They let you style parts of elements without adding extra HTML.
- You use double colons followed by the pseudo-element name to target these parts.

```
a:hover {
  color: blue;
}

/* Styling input fields when they are focused */
input:focus {
  border-color: green;
}

/* Adding a decorative element before a heading */
h1::before {
  content: "*";
}

/* Styling the first line of a paragraph */
```

/\* Applying styles to links when hovered over \*/

```
p::first-line {
  font-weight: bol
```

#### **Common Pseudo-classes:**

- :hover: When the element is hovered over with the mouse.
- :active: When the element is clicked.
- : focus: When the element gains focus (like input fields).
- :nth-child(): Selects elements based on their position within a parent element.

#### **Common Pseudo-elements:**

- ::before: Adds content before the selected element.
- ::after: Adds content after the selected element.
- ::first-line: Targets the first line of a block of text.
- ::first-letter: Targets the first letter of a block of text.

#### **Adding Decorative Elements:**

 Just as you'd add ornaments to a special gift, you can use pseudo-elements to add decorative content to your elements.

```
/* Adding quotation marks before a blockquote */
blockquote::before {
  content: """;
}

/* Adding icons to links */
a::before {
  content: """;
}
```

Pseudo-classes and pseudo-elements in CSS are like adding magical filters and extra decorations to your elements without altering your HTML. By using these, you can create interactive effects and add stylish details that enhance the overall look and feel of your web page

# Page 10: Flexbox

Imagine arranging items on a shelf in a way that they automatically adjust their positions to fit perfectly. Flexbox in CSS is like having a magical shelf that arranges your webpage elements in a flexible and organized manner, regardless of their sizes. Let's dive into how Flexbox works:

Flex Container (display: flex;):

- Think of a flex container as a special shelf. You turn an element into a flex container using the display: flex; property in its parent element's CSS.
- All direct child elements of this container become "flex items" that you can arrange using Flexbox.

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.flex-container

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Main and Cross Axes:

- Imagine your shelf has two rulers: one along the length and one along the width.

  These are the main and cross axes.
- Flex items can be arranged either horizontally (main axis) or vertically (cross axis).

Justify Content (justify-content):

• This is like arranging items on the shelf horizontally. You control the distribution and spacing of items along the main axis.

```
.flex-container {
   justify-content: center; /* Centers items horizontally */
```

Align Items (align-items):

 Align items is like adjusting the height of items on the shelf. You control how items align along the cross axis.

```
.flex-container {
   align-items: flex-start; /* Aligns items at the top of the container */
}
```

• Flex direction is like deciding whether your shelf reads left to right, right to left, top to bottom, or bottom to top.

```
.flex-container {
   flex-direction: row-reverse; /* Arranges items from right to left */
}
```

Flex Wrap (flex-wrap):

• Imagine your shelf can't hold all the items. Flex wrap controls whether items should wrap to the next row or column.

```
.flex-container {
   flex-wrap: wrap; /* Wraps items to the next line when necessary */
```

}

Flex Items (flex Property):

• Think of each item on the shelf as a box with flexibility. You control how much space they take on the shelf.

```
.flex-item {
  flex: 1; /* Each item takes equal space */
}
```

Flexbox in CSS is like having a versatile shelf that adapts to different items and spaces. By turning a container into a flex container and using properties like <code>justify-content</code>, <code>align-items</code>, <code>flex-direction</code>, and <code>flex</code>, you can arrange your web page elements beautifully and make them fit perfectly regardless of screen size.



Imagine you have a superpower that allows you to create a perfect grid of squares and rectangles, arranging your elements in a neat and organized pattern. That's exactly what CSS Grid Layout lets you do on your webpage. It's like having a magical blueprint that helps you place elements exactly where you want them. Let's explore how to use this superpower:

Grid Container (display: grid;):

- A grid container is like a canvas where you'll place your elements. You turn an
  element into a grid container using the display: grid; property in its parent
  element's CSS.
- This parent element's direct children become grid items, and you can control their placement within the grid.

```
.grid-container {
  display: grid; /* Creates a grid container */
}
```

#### **Defining Rows and Columns:**

Think of your canvas as having rows and columns like graph paper. You define
these rows and columns using properties like grid-template-rows and
grid-template-columns.

```
.grid-container {
  grid-template-rows: 100px 200px; /* Two rows with specified heights */
  grid-template-columns: 1fr 2fr; /* Two columns with proportional widths */
}
```

#### Placing Grid Items:

• Placing items on your grid is like positioning objects on a game board. You use properties like <code>grid-row</code> and <code>grid-column</code>.

```
.grid-item {
  grid-row: 1 / 3; /* Item spans from row 1 to 3 */
  grid-column: 2; /* Item is in the second column */
```

#### Grid Gaps (gap Property):

• Grid gaps are like empty spaces between the squares on your game board. You use the gap property to create spacing between rows and columns.

```
.grid-container {
  gap: 10px; /* Adds a 10px gap between rows and columns */
}
```

#### Grid Areas:

Imagine marking areas on your canvas for specific elements. You can assign
names to these areas and place items within them using the grid-area property.

```
.grid-item {
  grid-area: header; /* Places the item in the "header" area */
}
```

#### Responsive Grids:

 Just as you'd adapt your grid to fit different sizes of paper, you can adjust your grid layout for different screen sizes using media queries.

```
@media (max-width: 768px) {
   .grid-container {
     grid-template-columns: 1fr; /* Single column on smaller screens */
   }
}
```

CSS Grid Layout is like having a magical blueprint that lets you create intricate and structured layouts for your webpage. By turning a container into a grid container and using properties like grid-template-rows, grid-template-columns, and grid-gap, you can arrange your elements like a pro and achieve a visually pleasing and organized design.

# Page 12: CSS Variables (Custom Properties)

Imagine having a magic wand that allows you to set specific colors, sizes, and values that you can use throughout your entire web page. That's what CSS Variables, also known as Custom Properties, offer you. They're like placeholders for values that you can reuse and update easily, making your styles more flexible and maintainable. Let's uncover the magic of CSS Variables:

#### Defining CSS Variables:

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Think of CSS Variables as containers where you store values. They start with two
dashes — followed by a name and can hold various types of values.

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:root {
   --primary-color: #3498db; /* Defining a CSS Variable */
   --font-size: 16px;
}
```

#### Using CSS Variables:

 Using the values stored in your CSS Variables is like taking the magic potion to apply consistent styles across your webpage.

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.element {
  color: var(--primary-color); /* Using a CSS Variable */
  font-size: var(--font-size);
}
```

#### Updating CSS Variables:

 The real magic happens when you want to change a value across your whole webpage. You simply update the value of the variable, and all instances using it get updated instantly.

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:root {
  --primary-color: #e74c3c; /* Updating the value */
}
```

#### Scope of CSS Variables:

• CSS Variables can be used in any part of your stylesheet, but they're often declared in the :root selector to ensure global availability.

#### Fallback Values:

 Just like having a backup plan, you can provide a fallback value in case a variable isn't defined or supported by a browser.

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```
.element {
  color: var(--highlight-color, #f39c12); /* Fallback to orange if variable isn't
  defined */
}
```

#### Responsive Design:

• CSS Variables are incredibly useful for responsive design. You can change variables based on different screen sizes for consistent adjustments.

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```
@media max-width 768px
  :root {
    --font-size: 14px; /* Smaller font size on smaller screens */
   }
}
```

CSS Variables (Custom Properties) are like having a magical inventory of values that you can use across your entire webpage. By defining, using, and updating variables, you create a more organized and adaptable system for your styles, making your code easier to maintain and your designs more consistent.

# Page 13: Combining Selectors and Specificity

Imagine you're getting ready for a special event, and you have a wardrobe full of clothes. You pick the outfit that matches your style and occasion the best. In CSS, combining selectors and understanding specificity is like choosing the right style for your elements in a crowded stylesheet. Let's explore how to select elements effectively:

#### **Combining Selectors:**

 Combining selectors is like creating a unique label for your outfit. You can combine different types of selectors to target specific elements or groups.

```
.container p {
  color: blue;
}
```

#### Specificity:

- Specificity is like giving a weight to your outfit choice. It determines which style rule takes precedence when multiple rules target the same element.
- Inline styles have the highest specificity, followed by IDs, classes, and elements.

```
#content .highlight {
  background-color: yellow;
}

/* Less specific: Targets any element with class "highlight" */
.highlight {
  background-color: green;
```

#### !important:

Sometimes, you want an outfit to stand out no matter what. In CSS, you can use
 !important to override other styles, but it's best used sparingly.

```
.important-style {
  color: red !important;
}
```

#### Multiple Classes:

 Just as you might wear a combination of clothes, elements with multiple classes are like wearing different styles at once.

#### Descendant Selectors:

 Descendant selectors are like selecting outfits based on their components. They target elements that are descendants of another element.

```
ul li {
   list-style: square;
}
```

#### Child Selectors:

• Child selectors are like choosing outfits only for specific family members. They target elements that are direct children of another element.

```
/* Targets only the immediate children list items of a div */
div > ul > li {
  margin-left: 10px;
}
```

Combining selectors and understanding specificity in CSS is like curating the perfect outfit from your wardrobe. By using different types of selectors and being aware of specificity, you can confidently style your webpage elements and ensure that the right styles are applied without any fashion faux pas.

# **Page 14: Transformations**

Imagine you have the power to stretch, rotate, and even flip objects in a magical world. In CSS, transformations let you bring this magic to your web page, allowing you to change the appearance and position of elements. Let's uncover how transformations work:

```
Translate (translate()):
```

 Translating is like moving an object from one spot to another. You can shift elements horizontally and vertically using the translate() function.

```
.element {
  transform: translate(20px, 10px); /* Move 20px to the right and 10px
down */
}
```

#### Scale (scale()):

 Scaling is like resizing an object. You can make elements bigger or smaller using the scale() function.

```
.element {
  transform: scale(1.2); /* Increases size by 20% */
}
```

#### Rotate (rotate()):

 Rotating is like spinning an object around. You can rotate elements by a certain degree using the rotate() function.

```
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```
.element
transform: rotate(45deg); /* Rotates by 45 degrees */
```

```
Skew (skew()):
```

• Skewing is like tilting an object. You can tilt elements horizontally and vertically using the skew() function.

```
.element {
  transform: skewX(20deg); /* Tilts horizontally by 20 degrees */
}
```

#### Transform Origin:

• The transform origin is like choosing the pivot point for your magic. It determines the point around which transformations occur.

```
.element {
  transform-origin: top right; /* Rotates around the top-right corner
*/
}
```

#### Combining Transformations:

• Just as you might apply multiple spells in a magical story, you can combine transformations to create complex effects.

```
.element {
  transform: translate(20px, 10px) rotate(45deg);
}
```

#### **Transitioning Transformations:**

 Applying transformations smoothly is like making a magical change gradual. You can add transitions to transformations for smooth animations.

```
.element {
  transition: transform 0.3s ease-in-out; /* Smoothly transitions
transformations */
}
```

```
.element:hover {
  transform: scale(1.2);
}
```

Transformations in CSS are like having magical powers to manipulate the appearance and position of your elements. By using functions like translate(), scale(), and rotate(), you can create captivating animations and interactive effects that add a touch of enchantment to your web page.

# Page 15: Filters and Blending

Imagine you have a magical lens that lets you adjust the colors and blend different elements seamlessly. In CSS, filters and blending are like having these enchanting tools at your disposal. They allow you to modify the appearance of images and create captivating visual effects. Let's explore how to use these magical techniques:

#### Filters:

• Filters are like applying special effects to your images, similar to how you'd alter a photograph. You use filter functions to adjust colors, brightness, blur, and more.

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```
.image {
```

```
filter: grayscale(50%); /* Makes
```

• Common filter functions include blur(), brightness(), contrast(), saturate(), sepia(), and more.

#### Blending:

• Blending is like overlaying two images to create a harmonious composition. You use blending modes to control how the colors of overlapping elements interact.

```
.overlay {
  background-color: red;
  mix-blend-mode: multiply; /* Multiplies the colors of overlapping
elements */
}
```

 Common blending modes include multiply, screen, overlay, soft-light, and more.

#### Combining Filters and Blending:

 Just as you might combine different colors on a canvas, you can mix filters and blending to achieve captivating effects.

```
.element {
  filter: brightness(150%) contrast(120%);
  mix-blend-mode: overlay;
}
```

#### Backdrop Filter:

• The backdrop filter is like applying a filter to the background of an element. It creates a frosted glass effect.

```
.element {
  backdrop-filter: blur(10px) brightness(80%);
}
```

#### **Hover Effects:**

 Applying filters and blending on hover is like revealing hidden magic when someone interacts with an element.

```
.element {
  transition: filter 0.3s;
}
.element:hover {
```

```
filter: grayscale(100%);
mix-blend-mode: screen;
}
```

Filters and blending in CSS are like adding a layer of enchantment to your web page visuals. By using filter functions like <code>blur()</code>, <code>brightness()</code>, and <code>contrast()</code>, as well as blending modes like <code>multiply</code> and <code>overlay</code>, you can create stunning images and captivating compositions that draw your visitors into a magical visual journey.