Most important and necessary tags in HTML5

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1. Document Structure Tags

- `<!DOCTYPE html>`: Declares the document type and version (HTML5).
- `<html>`: Root element of an HTML document.
- `<head>`: Contains meta-information about the document (e.g., title, links, and metadata).
- `<meta>`: Defines metadata about the HTML document (e.g., character set, viewport, keywords).
- `<title>`: Sets the title of the document (shown in the browser tab).
- `<link>`: Links external resources like CSS files.
- `<style>`: Embeds CSS styles directly in the document.
- `<body>`: Contains the visible content of the HTML document.

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2. Text Content Tags

- `<h1> ... <h6>`: Defines headings (h1 is the highest level, h6 is the lowest).
- `<p>`: Defines a paragraph.
- `<span>`: Inline container for text and other elements, without a specific semantic meaning.
- `<br>`: Inserts a line break.
- `<hr>`: Inserts a horizontal rule (often used to separate sections).
- `<blockquote>`: Defines a long quotation.
- `<pre>`: Displays preformatted text (preserves spaces and line breaks).
- `<strong>`: Defines strong importance (often rendered as bold).
- `<em>`: Emphasizes text (often rendered as italic).
- `<b>`: Defines bold text (without semantic importance).
- `<i>`: Defines italic text (without semantic importance).

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3. List Tags

- `<ul>`: Defines an unordered (bullet point) list.
- `<ol>`: Defines an ordered (numbered) list.
- `<li>`: Defines a list item.

- **`<dl>`**: Defines a description list.
- **`<dt>`**: Defines a term in a description list.
- **`<dd>`**: Defines a description of the term in a description list.

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4. Link and Media Tags

- **`<a>`**: Defines a hyperlink.
- **`<img>`**: Embeds an image in the document.
- **`<audio>`**: Embeds audio content (with controls for play/pause).
- **`<video>`**: Embeds video content (with controls for play/pause).
- **`<source>`**: Defines multiple media resources for the `<audio>` or `<video>` elements.
- **`<iframe>`**: Embeds another webpage inside the current HTML document.

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5. Semantic HTML5 Tags

These tags define specific sections of the content and improve accessibility and SEO:

- **`<header>`**: Defines the header section of a webpage (often contains navigation).
- **`<nav>`**: Defines a container for navigation links.
- **`<section>`**: Defines a thematic grouping of content.
- **`<article>`**: Represents an independent piece of content (like a blog post or news article).
- **`<aside>`**: Represents a sidebar or content related to the main content.
- **`<footer>`**: Defines the footer section of a webpage (often contains author info, copyrights, etc.).
- **`<main>`**: Represents the main content of the document (the central topic).
- **`<figure>`**: Represents self-contained content (like images, illustrations).
- **`<figcaption>`**: Defines a caption for the `<figure>` element.

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6. Form Tags

- **`<form>`**: Defines an HTML form for user input.
- **`<input>`**: Defines an input field (text, email, password, etc.).
- **`<label>`**: Associates a label with an `<input>` element.
- **`<textarea>`**: Defines a multiline text input.
- **`<button>`**: Defines a clickable button.

- **`<select>`**: Creates a dropdown list.
- **`<option>`**: Defines an option in a dropdown list.
- **`<fieldset>`**: Groups related form elements.
- **`<legend>`**: Defines a caption for a `<fieldset>`.
- **`<datalist>`**: Specifies a list of predefined options for an `<input>` element.
- **`<output>`**: Displays the result of a calculation or script.

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7. Table Tags

- **`<table>`**: Defines a table.
- **`<thead>`**: Groups the header content in a table.
- **`<tbody>`**: Groups the body content in a table.
- **`<tfoot>`**: Groups the footer content in a table.
- **`<tr>`**: Defines a row in a table.
- **`<th>`**: Defines a header cell in a table.
- **`<td>`**: Defines a standard cell in a table.
- **`<caption>`**: Defines a table caption.

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8. Scripting Tags

- **`<script>`**: Embeds JavaScript code or links to an external JavaScript file.
- **`<noscript>`**: Defines an alternative content if JavaScript is disabled in the browser.

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9. Metadata Tags

- **`<meta charset="UTF-8">`**: Defines the character encoding for the HTML document.
- **`<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">`**: Makes the page responsive on mobile devices by setting the viewport properties.
- **`<meta name="description" content="Page description">`**: Provides a description of the page, often used for SEO.
- **`<meta name="keywords" content="HTML5, tags, tutorial">`**: Specifies keywords related to the page (used for SEO).

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10. Deprecated Tags (Not Recommended in HTML5)

- **`<font>`**: Defines font attributes (now handled by CSS).
- **`<center>`**: Centers text or content (use CSS instead).
- **`<marquee>`**: Creates scrolling text (deprecated due to poor accessibility).
- **`<big>`**: Makes text larger (use CSS instead).