**Hyperlinks Exercise**

*You will practice some coding here using the* ***Tag\_Practice*** *exercise files you used earlier.*

**Some Notes:** The <a> element is used for hyperlinks. We hyperlink or link to (1) *external* web addresses (URLs) on the Internet, and to (2) *internal* pages or files within our web site.

Here is an example of using the <a> tag to link to www.google.com:

<a href=“http://www.google.com”>click here</a>

This diagram below indicates what is visible in the webpage rendered:

The webpage renders with hyperlinked word (the visible part) as: click here.

The form of the a element:

<a href=“reference”>content</a>

where *reference* is replaced with the actual URL (web address) beginning with http://etc, or with the name of a file to which you are linking. *content* is usually text but can also be an image, <img> tag, nested within the a element.

Some attributes include href, target and title. See p68 (Carey 6e).

target=“*xyz*”

where *xyz* is replaced with ***\_blank*** and the link opens in a new window or tab

where *xyz* is replaced with **any name** you desire, the link opens in a new named window or tab.

where *xyz* is replaced with **\_self**, the link opens in the same window (default).

title=”text” where text is the text that will appear in a pop-up (“tooltip”) when one moves the mouse over the link.

Action required: Continue to use the file **tag\_practice.htm** (started back in first few weeks of class) and try the following to practice links. Find the htm file in the *Tag\_Practice exerc* folder located in this activities folder. **First type <br /><br /> on the next line of the code in tag\_practice.htm to create some separation from the previous practice.**

* + 1. **Code a link to http://www.yahoo.com with visible part search with yahoo:**

**<a href= “http://www.yahoo.com” >search with yahoo</a>**

**(Test your link by clicking on it. Then click Back. )**

* + 1. **First type a line break using either <br> or <br />, at the end of the previous line. Then code a link to the htm file named about\_us.htm which is a file also located in the tag\_Practice folder, in the same location as the current working document:**

**<a href=“about\_us.htm” title=”Learn more”>about the company</a>**

**(Test your link, then click Back. Also try mousing over the hyperlink.)**

* + 1. **Test out the target attribute with its various values.**