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#### **LAB 4 SUMMARY**

# Part 1: Introduction to CSS3

#### What is CSS3?

CSS, or Cascading Style Sheets, is a language that describes the presentation of a web page, including colors, fonts, layout, and spacing. It is a crucial part of web development, as it allows you to control the visual appearance of your website.

# Why is CSS3 important in web development?

CSS3 is important in web development for several reasons:

**Separation of concerns:** CSS allows you to separate the presentation of your website from the content, making it easier to maintain and update your site.

**Improved flexibility:** CSS provides a wide range of styling options, giving you more control over the look and feel of your website.

**Enhanced accessibility:** CSS can be used to improve the accessibility of your website for people with disabilities.

#### **Part 2: Styling HTML Elements**

- Create a New HTML File
- Open your text editor and create a new HTML file (e.g., index.html), or use the existing one from Week 3

#### **Linking CSS:**

Inside the <head> section of your HTML document, link an external CSS file (e.g., styles.css) using the link> element with the rel and href attributes:

### HTML

<link rel="stylesheet" href="styles.css">

## **Basic Styling:**

In your CSS file (e.g., styles.css), select a few HTML elements (e.g., headings, paragraphs) and apply basic styles like changing text color, font size, and background color:

## CSS

```
h1 {
  color: red;
  font-size: 30px;
}

p {
  color: blue;
  font-size: 16px;
  background-color: #ccc;
}
```

### **CSS Comments:**

You can add comments to your CSS code to document your styles:

#### CSS

```
/* This is a comment */
```

#### **Part 3: Selectors and Properties**

### **CSS Selectors:**

CSS selectors identify the HTML elements you want to style. There are several types of selectors, including element selectors, class selectors (.classname), and ID selectors (#idname).

## **Applying Styles:**

You can apply styles to specific elements using various selectors. For example, style all <h2> elements differently from <h1> elements:

### **CSS**

```
h1 {
  color: red;
  font-size: 30px;
}
h2 {
  color: green;
  font-size: 20px;
}
```

## **Box Model:**

The CSS box model is a system for defining the layout of elements on a web page. It includes properties like margin, padding, border, and width/height.

### **CSS**

```
.box {
   margin: 10px; /* Space around the element */
   padding: 20px; /* Space inside the element */
   border: 1px solid black; /* Border around the element */
   width: 300px; /* Width of the element */
   height: 200px; /* Height of the element */
}
```

## Part 4: Advanced Styling

### **Text Styling:**

You can style text elements using properties like font-family, text-align, text-decoration, and line-height:

```
CSS
```

```
p {
  font-family: Arial, sans-serif; /* Choose a specific font family or a generic font family */
  text-align: center; /* Center the text */
  text-decoration: underline; /* Underline the text */
  line-height: 1.5; /* Increase the spacing between lines of text */
}
```

## **Backgrounds and Borders:**

You can apply background colors, images, and borders to elements using relevant CSS properties:

CSS

```
.element {
  background-color: #f0f0f0; /* Set a background color */
  background-image: url('image.jpg'); /* Set a background image */
  background-repeat: repeat; /* Repeat the background image */
  border: 2px solid #000; /* Set a border */
}
```