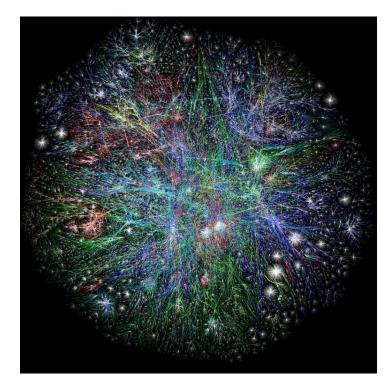


Part One of Four

Head start with HTML & Komodo Edit



Classic OPTE Project Map of the Internet 2005 by Mike Lee via Flickr

Basic facts

- HTML is markup language to make web pages
- HTML stands for HyperText Markup Language
- It uses tags ("marks") as a building blocks
- Each tag describes type of its content
- Web page have one or more HTML documents
- Documents can be **connected** with hyperlinks







What do we need?

- A web browser program for opening web pages (.html)
- We will use Google Chrome web browser https://www.google.com/chrome/
- A code editor (IDE) to create .html files
- We will use Komodo Edit http://komodoide.com/komodo-edit/

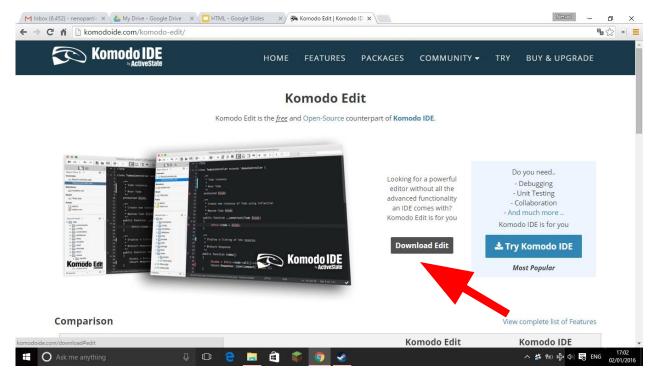






Komodo Edit Download

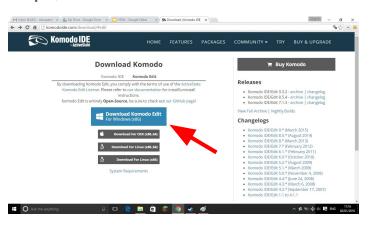
http://komodoide.com/komodo-edit/





Komodo Edit - download and Install

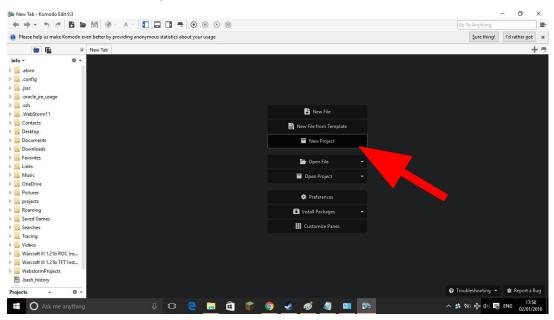
- Choose your operating system package
- Click on a link: Just let me download your software
- Click on a link: Start the download manually
- Click on the downloaded file
- Follow the standard procedure: next, I accept, next...
- Launch Komodo Edit after install





Create new project

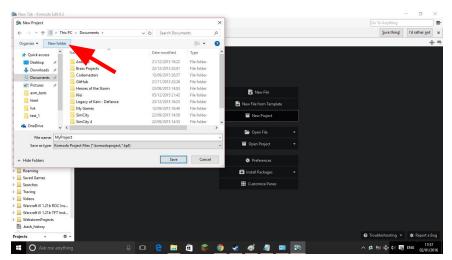
- We will create new project to hold our web page
- Close one-time introduction popup dialog
- Click on New Project

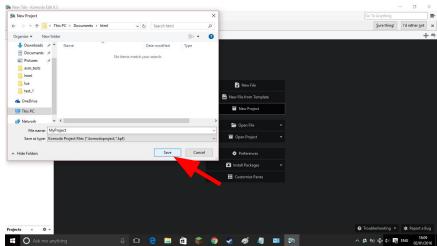




Create new directory, save project

- Create New folder to store our project (name it "html", for example)
- enter into newly created folder
- Name our project as "my_project" and save
- if Komodo asks to add a project extension, click Yes

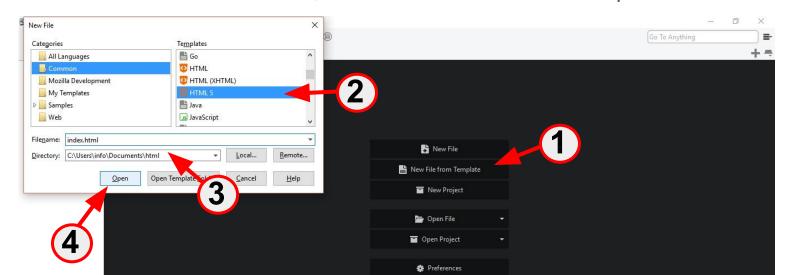






Create first html page

- Click New File from Template
- Click HTML5 (Categories -> Common)
- Name your file: index.html, click Open
- This will create HTM skeleton, HTML5 is current HTML implementation

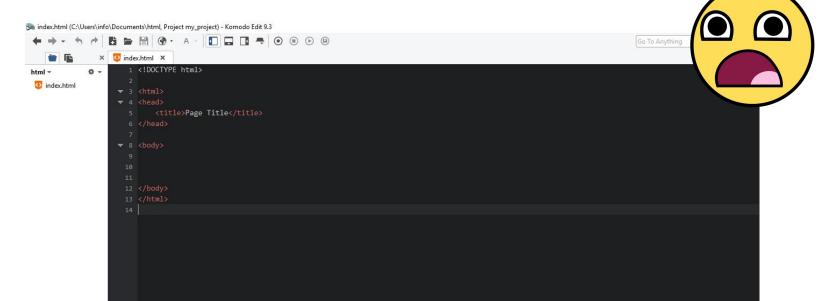




Not so fast...

- And we have our **first html page!** But let's get rid of html skeleton for now...
- Select all lines (right click on code -> Select -> Select All) and delete them

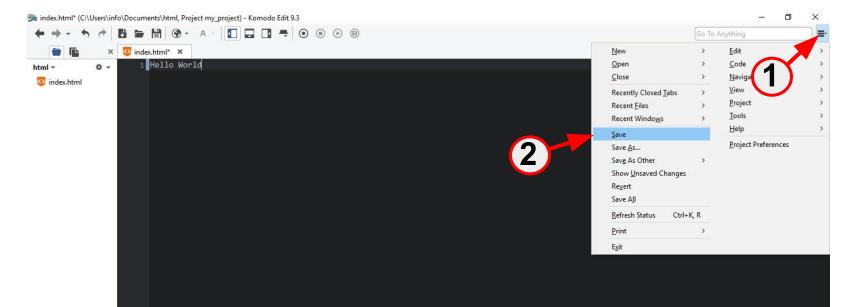
Type simply: Hello World!





Save new file

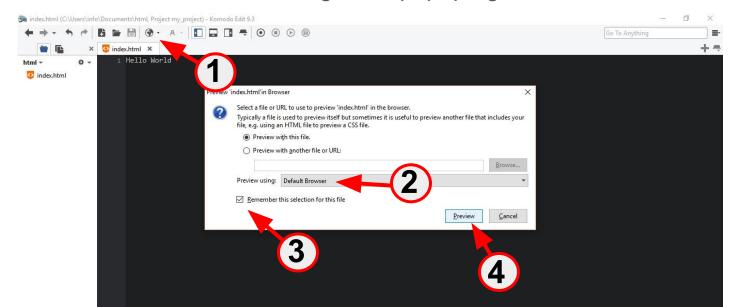
Let us **save our file**, we can do it by hitting **ctrl + s**, but let us familiarize with right hand Komodo Edit menu, click **menu icon** to open it (notice lots of options there!) and click **Save**.





Let's preview our page

Click on the globe icon, if your default browser is Chrome, Leave Preview Using: as is, otherwise chose Chrome from the dropdown. tick "Remember this selection for this file" so we don't get the popup again, and click Preview





Well done!

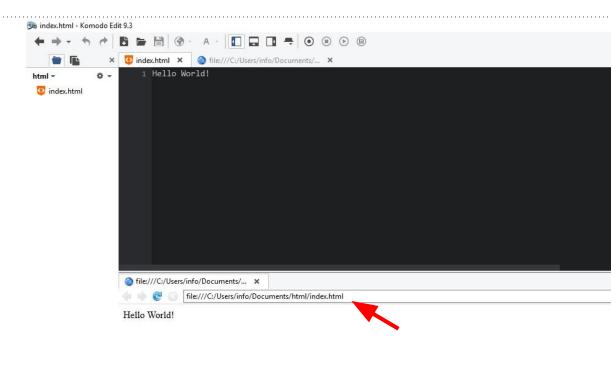
You've created your first web page, and you didn't even use any of the tags:)





Well done!

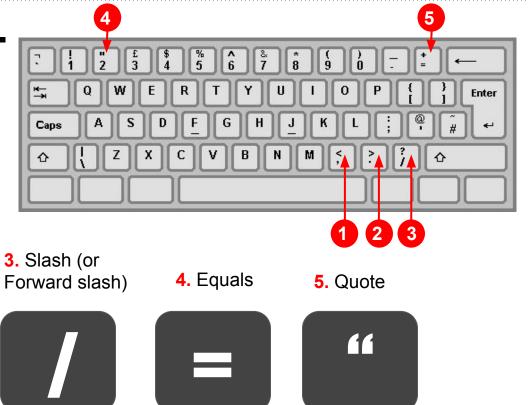
But wait a minute, that's not in my browser? It's because Komodo integrates the **browser** so it's faster to preview changes. To see your page in full glory, copy link address, open Google chrome web browser, and paste it in your Chrome's address bar.





Before we continue...

You will need to get used to certain keys of your keyboard that are used frequently in HTML





1. Angle bracket

(less than)



2. Angle bracket

(greater than)







First tag

- Let us now try to make our first tag to make these letters stand out
- Meet the **h1 tag** (heading 1)
- Complete tag expression has three parts:
 - opening tag <h1>
 - content: our text, ie. Hello World!
 - closing tag </h1>
- opening and closing tag must match,
 with closing tag having slash sign / before the tag type
- so complete code would be <h1>Hello World</h1>



And more things to notice....

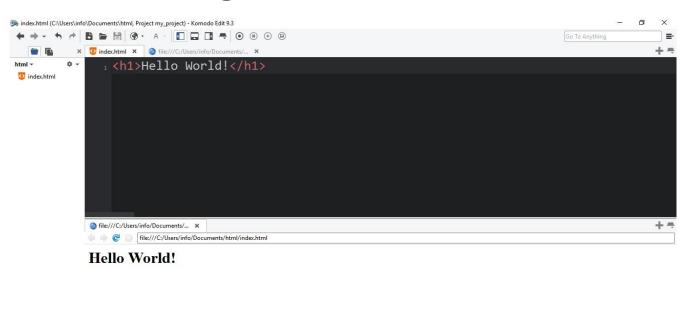
- Did you notice, when you typed <h... Komodo suggested some of the available tags? That's useful feature called **Code Completion**.
- When you typed in the opening tag, it automatically created closing tag for you. That's cool, but you need then either to cut and paste your text inside between the opening and closing tag, or cut and paste closing tag at the end.
- Now hit ctrl + s, and preview in your
 Komodo Edit will be automatically updated.
 Whoa! Did your Hello World! text grew in size?





Our Hello World in h1 tag...

- Should look something like this.
- Note: (I've changed Komodo Edit font size, so the actual code is bigger too for visibility)







h1 tags

- Actually they run from 1 to 6, so they are: h1, h2, h3, h4, h5, h6
- Why not test them and practice some markup?
- Type the following and save the file to update our preview:

```
<h1>I am heading 1</h1>
<h2>I am heading 2</h2>
<h3>I am heading 3</h3>
<h4>I am heading 4</h4>
<h5>I am heading 5</h5>
<h6>I am heading 6</h6>
```

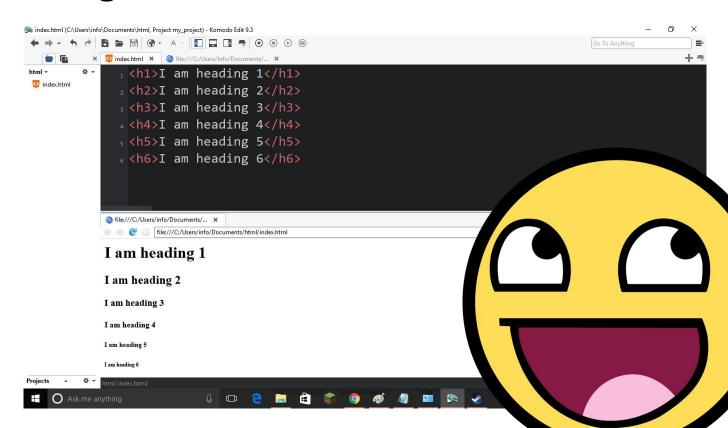
- You can type any text inside tags content, but opening and closing tag must match (with an extra slash for closing tag)!
- If you cannot keep up, try just h1, h3, and h5



Default rendering of h1- h6

If you got it right, you should see font decreasing for each tag, otherwise check for typo's / syntax.

Well done!





How about "normal" text? Try the tag

- p stands for a paragraph, we use it to define our common text content
- Delete everything and now to enter:

<h3>Apple</h3>
Apple is oval shaped fruit,
mostly of red and green colour

- So basically we created an article, with the title and the text
- Why h3? We will probably use
 h1 and h2 for more important
 things in our web page, like
 main title, page title etc.



What about two articles?

 Create two articles similar to following bellow. You can copy and paste your first article to create a second one.

```
<h3>Apple</h3>
Apple is oval shaped fruit,
mostly of red and green colour
<hr>>
<h3>Apple Tree</h3>
Apple tree is the kind of a tree that
grows apples
```

- notice the <hr>
 <hr>
- it is a self closing tag, it only has one tag element and no nested content



**Bold, or rather **

• Let's make some words in our first article to stand out? We can bold them, rather make them ****. We could use ****, but **** is preferred.

Apple is oval shaped fruit, mostly of red and green colour

- This will work but our line length has increased. Imagine what will happen if
 we added another or more text? Rule of the thumbs is that we
 should strive not to use more than 80 characters per line.
- Also something new happened here. Notice how tag is inside tag? We are dealing with nesting here!



Nesting the tags

- It is the common thing in HTML that we will end up tags containing tags
- For readability we use spacing (indenting) to mark nested tags
- It will pay off especially in complex HTML to have nicely indented structure
- We need to follow the coding practices so we always use the same system for writing our code, otherwise it will be hard to read
- Komodo Edit implements by default soft tabs ie
 4 spaces (one tab) for nested elements we'll use that



Better nesting

So let's implement **spacing and new line** (enter) for nesting our **HTML element** (that's how tags are called when rendered inside browsers). We can go really tidy as per right example, but both will work!

```
Apple is
<strong>oval shaped fruit<strong>,
mostly of red and green colour
```

That's all for now, folks!

- We learnt how to use Komodo Edit to create our first web page
- We now know what are HTML tags and how to write them
- We explored h1 h6, p, strong, hr tags
- We know how to deal with nesting in HTML

