

USING LEXICON CSS COMPONENTS IN TEMPLATES

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LEXICON CSS COMPONENTS AND ELEMENTS

- As we discussed earlier, Lexicon CSS provides a large number of styles and components we can take advantage of in development.
- We've seen that we can use these styles and components in Themes.
- You can also use Lexicon CSS components in various Templates to include consistent and modern design for your applications and content.



SIMPLIFYING TEMPLATE DEVELOPMENT

- Using the Lexicon CSS framework can simplify development across the board.
- In many cases, you can simply copy code snippets from the component you are interested in using, and it'll work in your Templates.
- Lexicon CSS components are also built with modularity in mind, further simplifying the development of consistent, modern content presentations.
- ▶ The list of Lexicon CSS components and elements can be found here: http://liferay.github.io/clay/
- Let's take a look at some examples.

DISPLAYING USER INFORMATION WITH CARDS

- One example of a component we can use is a Card component.
- This component is versatile, as it can be combined with other components to provide the design developers need.
- All we need is a <div> element with the class card, and we can build from there
- Let's take a look at the code behind this example.





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- In our example, we're actually using a couple Lexicon CSS components and elements to provide information about our User.
- Inside the card component, we are using the user-icon component.
- We're also using the crop-img component to fit the image to the Card.

BADGES, LABELS, AND STICKERS, OH MY

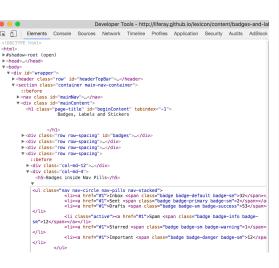
- Badges, Labels, and Stickers are other examples of smaller components.
- These components can be placed on larger components to maintain a consistent look-and-feel.
- For example, we could place a Sticker on an image using something like this:

```
<div class="aspect-ratio">
        <img alt="thumbnail" src="thumbnail.jpg">
        <span class="sticker sticker-danger">PDF</span>
</div>
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INSPECTING ELEMENTS

- One simple way to speed up the usage of these components is to take advantage of your browser's developer tools.
- In many cases, you can use Inspect Element to copy/paste the code into your Template and modify it as needed.





THEMING COMPONENTS

- As we mentioned earlier, you can completely control the styling of each component.
- Each component can be customized to suit your needs with the *Lexicon* CSS Customizer or through the component CSS in the Theme.
- With this in mind, you can easily use the Lexicon CSS components and inherit the presentation from the theme itself.
- This means you can control styles and still maintain the simplicity and flexibility of Template development.

BEST PRACTICES FOR COMPONENTS AND ELEMENTS

- As you can see, there are many components and elements in Lexicon CSS.
- Some components overlap, some look the same at first glance, and several are combined to form a whole new component.
- It's always good to take the time to choose the right component for the job.
- As we look forward to Template development, keep these in mind.









