**A quick word on the ACTION and METHOD attributes**

Remember that the <form> element can take attributes, and although its not compulsory it is standard practice to have at least 2 attributes in your <form>. You guessed it, I'm talking about the action and method attributes.

We will be covering the action and method attributes in a lot more detail later, but for now I want to reemphasize a few key points about them.

**ACTION**

The action attribute defines the URL that processes the form. In other words, it's where the input collected by the form is sent when the user clicks the submit button.

What is the URL? It's a special URL that you give to the server so that it knows how to process the data. Common backend technologies for processing forms include Node.js, PHP, and Ruby on Rails, but again, we’ll be focusing on the frontend for now.

**METHOD**

The method attribute can be either post or get, both of which define how the form is submitted to the backend server. This is largely dependent on how your web server wants to handle the form, but the general rule of thumb is to use POST when you’re *changing* data on the server, and use GET for when you’re only *fetching / getting*data.