Web Development 2nd lecture

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Today on Web Development

- Cascading Style Sheets
- CSS syntax
- How to insert CSS
- Selectors
- CSS cheat sheet

What is CSS?

- CSS stands for Cascading Style Sheets
- CSS defines how HTML elements are to be displayed
- Styles were added to HTML 4.0 to solve a problem
- CSS saves a lot of work
- External Style Sheets are stored in CSS files

- The style definitions are normally saved in external .css files.
- With an external style sheet file, you can change the look of an entire Web site by changing just one file!

http://www.w3schools.com/css/demo_default.htm

CSS syntax

A CSS rule set consists of a selector and a declaration block:

selector {property:value; property:value; }
h1 {color:blue; font-size:12px;}

Three Ways to Insert CSS

There are three ways of inserting a style sheet:

- Inline style
- Internal style sheet
- External style sheet

Inline style

- An inline style loses many of the advantages of a style sheet (by mixing content with presentation).
- To use inline styles, add the style attribute to the relevant tag.

```
<h1 style="color:blue;margin-left:30px;">This is a heading. </h1>
```

CSS selectors

- CSS selectors allow you to select and manipulate HTML elements.
- CSS selectors are used to "find" (or select)
 HTML elements based on their id, class,
 type, attribute, and more.

The element selector

The element selector selects elements based on the element name.

```
p {
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
}
```

The id Selector

- The id selector uses the id attribute of an HTML element to select a specific element.
- An id should be unique within a page, so the id selector is used if you want to select a single, unique element.

```
<style>
#para1 { text-align: center; color: red;}
</style>
```

 The style rule below will be applied to the HTML element with id="para1"

The class Selector

- The class selector selects elements with a specific class attribute.
- To select elements with a specific class, write a period character, followed by the name of the class:

```
.center {
    text-align: center;
    color: red;
}
```

<h1 class="center">Red and center-aligned heading</h1>

Grouping Selectors

 If you have elements with the same style definitions to minimize code you can group them.

```
h1, h2, p {
     text-align: center;
     color: red;
}
```

Internal Style Sheet

- An internal style sheet should be used when a single document has a unique style.
- You define internal styles in the head section of an HTML page, inside the <style> tag

External Style Sheet

- An external style sheet is ideal when the style is applied to many pages.
- With an external style sheet, you can change the look of an entire Web site by changing just one file.

External Style Sheet

- Each page must include a link to the style sheet with the k tag.
- The link> tag goes inside the head section

```
<head>
k rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="mystyle.css">
</head>
```

External Style Sheet

- The file should not contain any html tags.
- The style sheet file must be saved with a .css extension.

```
body {
    background-color: lightblue;
}
h1 {
    color: navy;
    margin-left: 20px;
}
```

CSS cheat sheets

http://www.1stwebdesigner.com/css-cheat-sheets-designers/

Game -> http://flukeout.github.io/

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Useful to try and remember

- k>
- width; min-height; margin
- Navigation bar -> list-style-type; display
- border-bottom-style
- font-family; font-style; font-size
- Links -> text-decoration; color
- float:
- p:nth-child
- @media print -> display:none

Styling Links

- Links can be styled with any CSS property (e.g. color, font-family, background, etc.).
- In addition, links can be styled differently depending on what state they are in.
- The four links states are:
 - a:link a normal, unvisited link
 - a:visited a link the user has visited
 - a:hover a link when the user mouses over it
 - a:active a link the moment it is clicked