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Intro To HTML

As in, how to make your webpage

Agenda

- 1. Elements, Attributes, Troubleshooting
- 2. Adding Links
- 3. Block Elements
- 4. Adding Images

What you should use

- https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/HTML
- That's from the guys who make firefox and it's probably the best reference in terms of teaching you good habits etc.

- https://www.w3schools.com/html/
- Is probably good enough for COIS 2830H, but it teaches some bad habits, especially with forms (which we don't use in 2830).
- (Forms are how you fill in data on a website)

https://v.redd.it/eot1zxfqcrj31

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Elements, Attributes, Troubleshooting

OVERVIEW

- How markup works: Elements and attributes
- Minimal HTML document structure
- Identifying text elements: Block and inline
- Troubleshooting and validating HTML

Content Without Markup

Without HTML markup to describe content structure, text runs together; line breaks are

ignored:

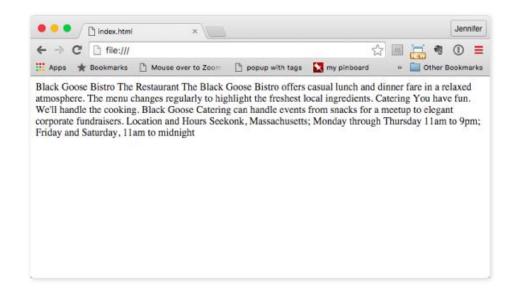
Black Goose Bistro

The Restaurant
The Black Goose Bistro offers casual lunch
and dinner fare in a relaxed atmosphere. The
menu changes regularly to highlight the
freshest local ingredients.

Catering

You have fun. We'll handle the cooking. Black Goose Catering can handle events from snacks for a meetup to elegant corporate fundraisers.

Location and Hours Seekonk, Massachusetts; Monday through Thursday 11am to 9pm; Friday and Saturday, 11am to midnight



What Browsers Ignore

- Multiple character spaces (white space)
- Line breaks (carriage returns)
- Tabs
- Unrecognized markup

(Sri note: Sometimes)

Markup Basics

Text must be marked up meaningfully and accurately (**semantically**) with HTML tags:

- Browsers need markup to display content correctly.
- Markup makes content elements available to scripts and style rules.
- Markup aids search engines.

Anatomy of an HTML Element

element tag The element name in angle The content and its markup (start and end tags) brackets Opening tag Closing tag Content (may be text and/or other HTML elements) (starts with a /) <elementname> Content here </elementname> Element <h1>Black Goose Bistro </h1> Example:

Some Elements Are Empty

Some elements have no content and provide a simple directive. They are called **empty elements**:

<element-name>

Example: The **br** element inserts a line break.

1005 Gravenstein Highway North
Sebastopol, CA 95472

Attributes

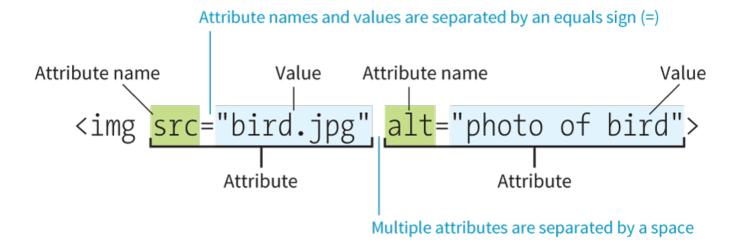
Attributes are instructions that clarify or modify an element. They appear in the opening tag after the element name:

<element attribute="value">Content</element>

O'Reilly site

Attributes (cont'd)

There can be more than one attribute in a tag:



They are separated by spaces and can go in any order.

Attributes (cont'd)

- Most attributes take values, which follow an = sign; some are single descriptive words.
- A value might be a number, word, string of text, URL, or measurement.
- Quotation marks aren't strictly required but are recommended for consistency.
- Single or double quotation marks are okay.
- Attribute names and values are defined in the HTML specification.
- Some attributes are required.

Nesting Elements

Putting elements inside other elements is called **nesting**. Make sure closing tags don't overlap:

```
<div>
     <h1>Headline</h1>
     This is <em>emphasized</em> text.
</div>
```

HTML Comments

To leave a note in an HTML document, mark it up as a **comment**:

Text between <!-- and --> won't display in the browser. Keep in mind that they are still visible in the source.

Minimal Document Structure

It is recommended that HTML documents have the following minimal structure:

The **DOCTYPE declaration** lets browsers know that the document is written according to the HTML5 specification:

The html element is the root element that contains all the elements in the document:

The **head** element contains elements that pertain to the document and are not rendered as content, such as **title**, **metadata**, **style sheets**, and **scripts**:

meta elements provide document metadata. In this case, it says that the document uses an expanded character set (UTF-8). It could also provide keywords, author information, publishing status, and more:

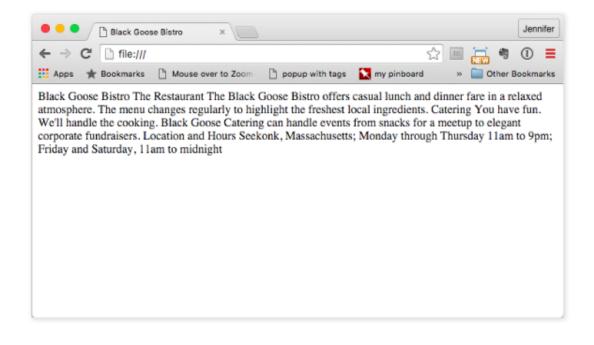
The **title** element is required. Titles display in the browser tab and bookmark lists, and are used by search engines:

The **body** element contains the content of the document. The content is everything you want to show up in the browser window:

A Structured Document

With the document structure in place, there is a title in the browser tab, but the content is still unstructured.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <meta charset="utf-8">
  <title>Black Goose Bistro</title>
</head>
<body>
Black Goose Bistro
The Restaurant
The Black Goose Bistro offers casual
lunch and dinner fare in a relaxed
atmosphere. The menu changes regularly
to highlight the freshest local
ingredients.
Location and Hours
Seekonk, Massachusetts;
Monday through Thursday 11am to 9pm;
Friday and Saturday, 11am to midnight
</body>
</html>
```



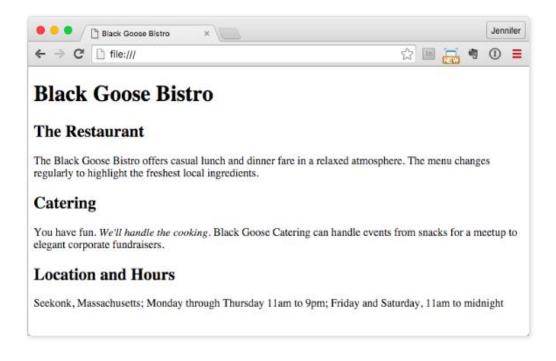
Marking Up Content

- The purpose of HTML is to add meaning and structure to the content. This is called **semantic markup**.
- It is **not** intended to describe how the content should look (its presentation).
- The way elements relate to one another forms an outline-like structure called the DOM (Document Object Model).
- The DOM is the foundation on which you apply styles and scripts.

Basic Text Elements

With headings (<h1>) and paragraphs () identified, the browser can display the content appropriately:

```
<body>
<h1>Black Goose Bistro</h1>
<h2>The Restaurant</h2>
The Black Goose Bistro
offers casual lunch and
dinner fare in a relaxed
atmosphere. The menu changes
regularly to highlight the
freshest local
ingredients.
<!--more content-->
</body>
```



Block and Inline Elements

Block elements

Major components of the page that display like rectangular blocks stacking up on the page

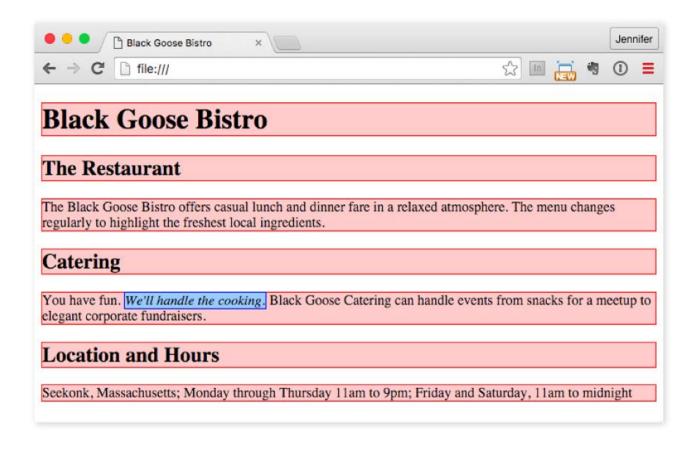
Example: headings, paragraphs, long quotations

Inline elements

Appear within the text flow of a block element

Example: emphasized text, links, abbreviations

Block and Inline Elements (cont'd)



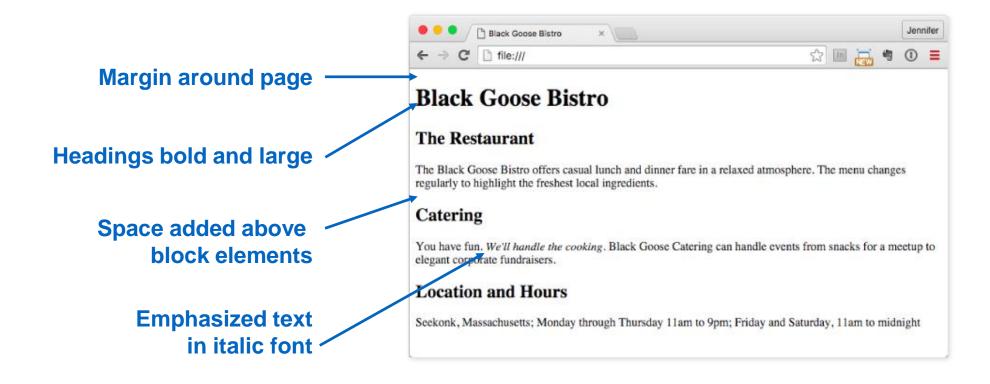
Block elements (headings, paragraphs) outlined in RED. Inline element (emphasized text) outlined in BLUE.

Style Sheets

- HTML only describes structure, not presentation
- Presentation is controlled by style sheets (CSS)
- Browsers have their own style sheets (user agent style sheets) with default styles for HTML elements
- You can write your own styles to override the default styles

Style Sheets (cont'd)

The browser parsed the markup and used its built-in style sheet to format the text elements in the example:



Troubleshooting HTML

Small mistakes and missing characters can cause HTML documents to "break."

Common mishaps:

- Missing closing tag (or / in closing tag)
- Missing closing bracket in a tag
- Missing quotation mark around an attribute value
- Not saving your document before viewing changes in the browser

Troubleshooting (cont'd)

When a slash is omitted, the browser doesn't know when the element ends:

<h2>Catering</h2>
You have fun. We'll handle the cooking. Black Goose
Catering can handle events from snacks for a meetup to elegant
corporate fundraisers.
g.

Catering

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Troubleshooting (cont'd)

A missing end bracket makes the browser interpret all the following characters as part of the tag:

kh2The Restaurant
kp>The Black Goose Bistro offers casual lunch and dinner fare
in a relaxed atmosphere. The menu changes regularly to highlight
the fresher local ingredients.

<h2The

Missing subhead

Without the bracket, all the following characters are interpreted as part of the tag, and "The Restaurant" disappears from the page.

BLACK GOO

The Black Goose Bistro offers casual lunch and d changes regularly to highlight the freshest local in

Catering

You have fun. We'll handle the cooking. Black Go a meetup to elegant corporate fundraisers.

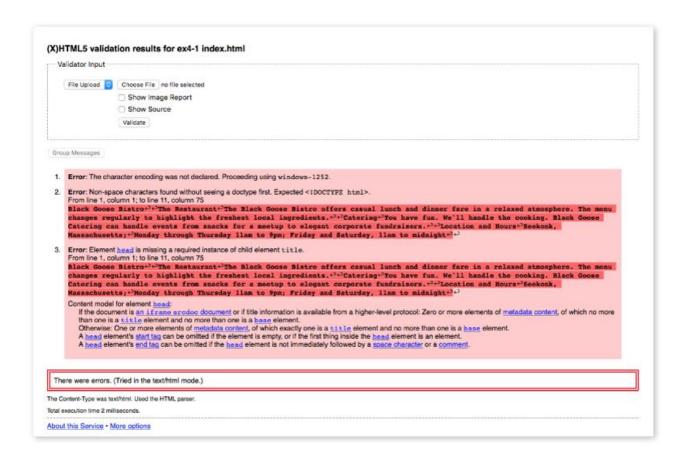
Validating Your Documents

Validate a document to make sure that you have abided by the HTML rules and that there are no errors:

- Include the DOCTYPE declaration
- Indicate the character encoding
- Include required attributes
- Don't use non-standard elements
- Don't mismatch tags
- Nest elements correctly (no overlaps)
- Check for typos and other minor errors

Validating Your Documents

- Use a validator tool like the one at html5.validator. nu.
- Upload a document or provide a link, and the validator returns an error report.



2 Adding Links

OVERVIEW

- · The a element
- External links with absolute URLs
- Links with relative pathnames
- Linking within a page (fragments)
- Targeting browser windows
- Mail links

Adding Links

<a>

Link text or image

The **href** attribute provides the location (URL) of the resource.

You can link to any resource:

- HTML documents
- Images
- Movies
- PDFs
- More!

href Attributes

- Absolute URLs begin with the protocol (ex: http://).
- Relative URLs provide the path to a file on the same server as the document containing the link (ex: /directory/document.html).
- Long URLs can make the markup look complicated, but the structure is the same:

```
Opening anchor tag

<a href="https://www.amazon.com/Bequet-Gourmet-Caramel-24oz-Celtic/dp/B00GZEU10Y/ref=sr_1_1_a_it?ie=UTF8&qid=1467055107&sr=8-1&keywords=bequet">Bequet Caramels</a>

URL

Linked text

Closing anchor tag
```

External Links

- External links go to pages that are not on your server.
- An absolute URL is required, including "http://"

```
<a
href="http://www.foodnetwork.com">The
Food Network</a>
```

Linking on Your Own Site

- When no protocol is provided, the browser looks on the current server for the resource.
- A relative pathname describes how to get to the resource starting from the current document.
- Pathnames follow UNIX syntax conventions.

Example Server Directory Structure

salmon.html tapenade.html

The following relative pathname discussions are based on this site structure.

The root directory is called *jenskitchen*.

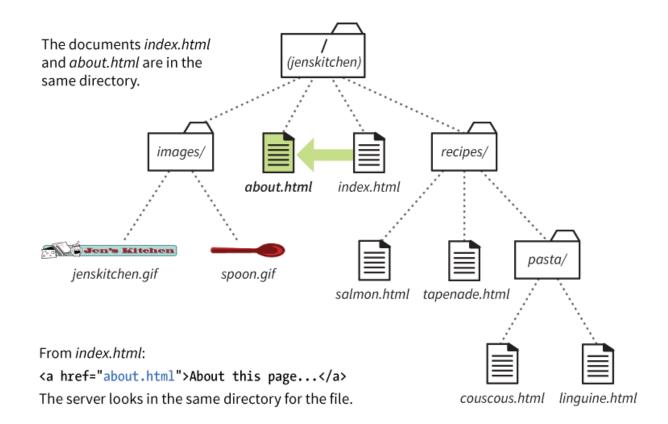
(jenskitchen) images/ recipes/ about.html index.html Jen's Kitchen pasta/ jenskitchen.gif spoon.qif salmon.html tapenade.html ienskitchen about.html jenskitchen.gif spoon.gif index.html couscous.html linguine.html ▼ pasta couscous.html linguine.html

How it looks in the MacOS Finder

Linking in the Same Directory

When the linked document is in the same directory as the current document, just provide its filename:

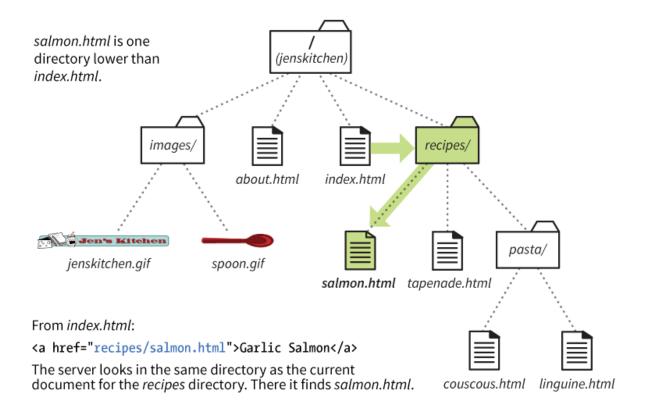
href="about.html"



Linking into a Lower Directory

If the linked file is in a directory, include the directory name in the path.

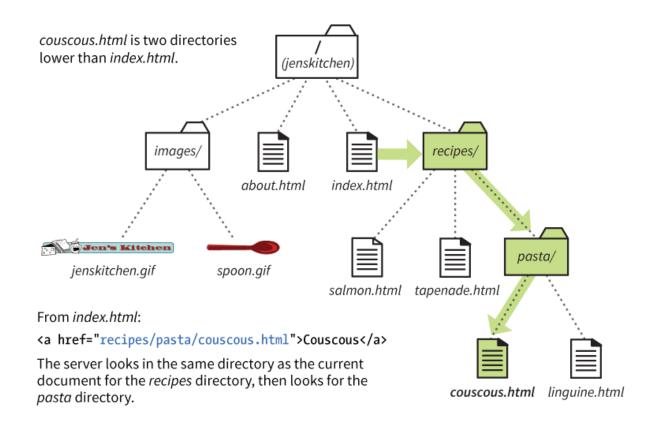
href="recipes/salmon.html"



Linking into Two Directories

Include each subdirectory name in the path to the linked document:

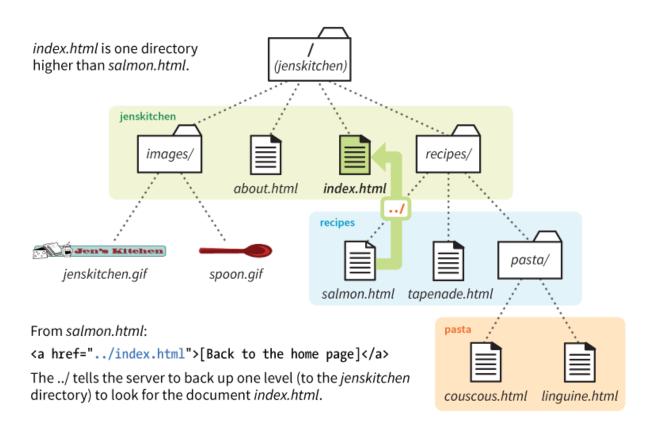
href="recipes/pasta/couscous.html"



Linking to a Higher Directory

To back up a level, the ... / stands in for the name of the higher directory:

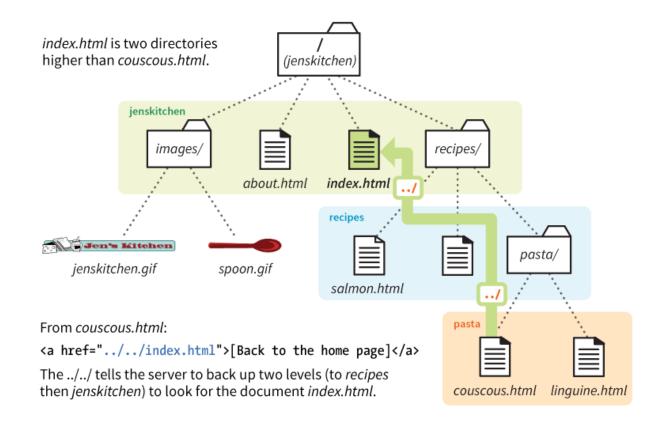
href="../index.html"



Linking Up Two Directory Levels

Include a . . / for each level you need to back up to:

href="../../index.html"



Site Root Relative Paths

Starting the path with a slash / means the pathname starts at the root directory. You don't need to write the name of the directory.

href="/recipes/salmon.html"

NOTE: Site root relative URLs are more flexible because they work from any document on the site.

DOWNSIDE: They won't work on your own computer because the / will be relative to your hard drive. You'll need to test it on the actual web server.

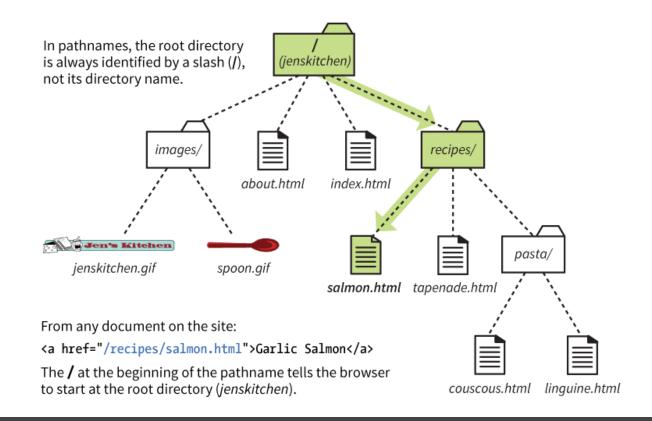


Image src Pathnames

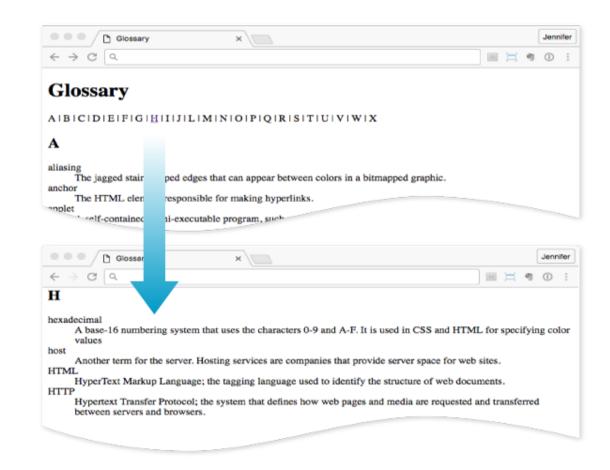
Relative pathnames are also commonly used to point to image files with the **src** attribute:

```
<img src="/images/icons/next.svg" alt="next">
```

Linking Within a Page (Fragments)

Linking to a specific point on a web page is called linking to a document fragment.

This is useful for providing links down to content from the top of a long document.



Linking to a Fragment

For example, to create a link from the letter H in a list at the top of the page to the "H" heading farther down in the document:

Step 1: Identify the target destination. Use the **id** attribute to give the target element a unique name:

Step 2: Link to the target (#).

The # symbol before the name indicates that the link goes to a fragment:

Targeting Browser Windows

The **target** attribute in the a tag tells the browser the name of the window in which you want the linked document to open:

Recipe book

target=" blank"

Always opens a new browser window.

target="name"

Opens a new window with that name and then opens all subsequent targeted links with that name in the same window.

It may also open in an embedded frame (iframe) with that name.

Mail Links

Use the "mailto" protocol to make a linked email address open in a mail program:

```
<a href="mailto:wonderwoman@example.com">Email
WonderWoman</a> (wonderwoman@example.com)
```

NOTE: Most browsers are configured to open the computer's primary email program, but this may not work for some users. Be sure the email address is included on the page and use the mailto link as progressive enhancement.

3 Block Elements

OVERVIEW

- General block elements
- Breaks
- Lists
- Page organizing elements
- · Inline elements
- Generic elements
- · ARIA introduction
- Escaping characters

Markup Tips

- It is important to mark up content semantically, in a way that accurately describes the content's meaning or function.
- This ensures your content is accessible in the widest range of viewing environments:
 - Desktop and mobile browsers
 - Assistive reading devices
 - Search engine indexers

Paragraphs

Paragraphs are the most rudimentary elements in a text document.

Serif typefaces have small slabs at the ends of letter strokes. In general, serif fonts can make large amounts of text easier to read.

Sans-serif fonts do not have serif slabs; their strokes are square on the end. Helvetica and Arial are examples of sans-serif fonts. In general, sans-serif fonts appear sleeker and more modern.

Headings

<h#> </h#>

There are six levels of headings (h1 to h6).

```
<h1>Top-Level Heading</h1>
This is a regular paragraph that will display at the browser's
default font size and weight for comparison.
<h2>Second-Level Heading</h2>
<h3>Third-Level heading</h3>
This is another paragraph for comparison. Of course, you can
change the presentation of all of these elements with your own style
sheets.
<h4>Fourth Level Heading</h4>
<h5>Fifth Level Heading</h6>
This is another paragraph to show the default relationship of
headings to body paragraphs. Of course, you can change the
presentation of all of these elements with your own style sheets.
```

Headings (cont'd)

h1 Top-Level Heading

This is a regular paragraph that will display at the browser's default font size and weight for comparison.

- **h2** Second-Level Heading
- h3 Third-Level heading

This is another paragraph for comparison. Of course, you can change the presentation of all of these elements with your own style sheets.

- h4 Fourth Level Heading
- h5 Fifth Level Heading
- h 6 Sixth-Level Heading

This is another paragraph to show the default relationship of headings to body paragraphs. Of course, you can change the presentation of all of these elements with your own style sheets.

Headings (cont'd)

- Used to create the document outline.
- Help with accessibility and search engine indexing.
- Recommended to start with h1 and add subsequent levels in logical order.
- Don't choose headings based on how they look; use a style sheet to change them.

Long Quotations (blockquotes)

<blockquote> </blockquote>

Renowned type designer, Matthew Carter, has this to say about his profession:

<blockquote>

Our alphabet hasn't changed in eons; there isn't much latitude in what a designer can do with the individual letters.

Much like a piece of classical music, the score is written down. It's
not something that is tampered with, and yet, each conductor interprets that
score differently. There is tension in the interpretation.

</pbockguote>

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Preformatted Text

Preformatted text preserves white space when it is important for conveying meaning. By default, **pre** text displays in a constant-width font, such as Courier.

This is an example of text with a lot of curious whitespace.

Line Breaks



The empty **br** element inserts a line break.

So much depends
upon
br>a red wheel
barrow

So much depends upon

a red wheel barrow

Thematic Breaks (Horizontal Rules)



Indicates one topic has completed and another one is beginning. Browsers display a horizontal rule (line) in its place:

```
<h3>Times</h3>
Description and history of the Times typeface.
<hr>
<hr>
<h3>Georgia</h3>
Description and history of the Georgia typeface.
```

Times

Description and history of the Times typeface.

Georgia

Description and history of the Georgia typeface.

Lists

There are three types of lists in HTML:

- Unordered lists
- Ordered lists
- Description lists

Unordered Lists

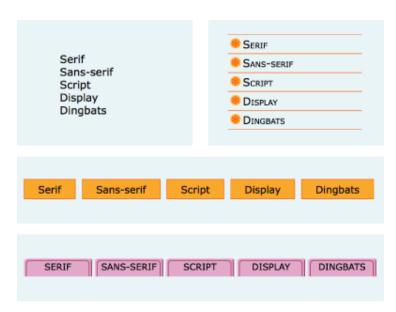
In unordered lists items may appear in any order (examples, names, options, etc.). Most lists fall into this category.

Unordered Lists (cont'd)

```
    Serif
    Sans-serif
    Script
    Display
    Dingbats
```

You can change the appearance of the list dramatically with style sheet rules.

SerifSans-serifScriptDisplayDingbats



Ordered Lists

In ordered lists items occur in a particular order, such as step-by-step instructions or driving directions.

Ordered Lists (cont'd.)

```
    Gutenberg develops moveable type (1450s)
    Linotype is introduced (1890s)
    Photocomposition catches on (1950s)
    Type goes digital (1980s)
```

- 1. Gutenberg develops moveable type (1450s)
- 2. Linotype is introduced (1890s)
- 3. Photocomposition catches on (1950s)
- 4. Type goes digital (1980s)

Description Lists

Description lists are used for any type of **name/value pairs**, such as terms/definitions, questions/answers, etc.

<dl> </dl> Defines the whole list

<dt> </dt> Defines a name, such as a term

<dd> </dd> Defines a value, such as a definition

Description Lists (cont'd)

Linotype

Line-casting allowed type to be selected, used, then recirculated into the machine automatically. This advance increased the speed of typesetting and printing dramatically.

Photocomposition

Typefaces are stored on film then projected onto photo-sensitive paper. Lenses adjust the size of the type.

Page Organizing Elements

HTML5 introduced elements that give meaning to the typical sections of a web page:

- main
- header
- footer
- section
- article
- aside
- nav

Main Content

```
<main> </main>
```

- Identifies the primary content of a page or application
- Helps users with screen readers get to the main content of the page
- Requires JavaScript workaround in Internet Explorer

Headers and Footers

```
<header> </header> <footer> </footer>
```

header identifies the introductory material that comes at the beginning of a page, section, or article (logo, title, navigation, etc.).

footer indicates the type of information that comes at the end of a page, section, or article (author, copyright, etc.)

Headers and Footers (cont'd)

```
<article>
 <header>
   <h1>More about WOFF</h1>
   by Jennifer Robbins, <timedatetime="2017-11-11">
     November 11, 2017</time>
 </header>
 <!-- ARTICLE CONTENT HERE -->
 <footer>
   <small>Copyright &copy; 2017 Jennifer
Robbins.</small>
   <nav>
   <l
     <a href="/">Previous</a>
     <a href="/">Next</a>
   </nav>
 </footer>
</article>
```

Sections

<section> </section>

section identifies thematic section of a page or an article. It can be used to divide up a whole page or a single article:

Articles

<article> </article>

article is used for self-contained works that could stand alone or be used in a different context (such as syndication).

Useful for magazine/newspaper articles, blog posts, comments, etc.

```
<article>
  <h1>Get to Know Helvetica</h1>
  <section>
        <h2>History of Helvetica</h2>
        ...
        </section>
        <h2>Helvetica Today</h2>
        ...
        <h2>Helvetica Today</h2>
        ...
        </section>
</article>
```

Aside (Sidebar)

<aside> </aside>

aside identifies content that is separate from but tangentially related to the surrounding content (think of it as a sidebar).

Navigation

<nav> </nav>

nav identifies the primary navigation for a site or lengthy section or article. It provides more semantic meaning than a simple unordered list.

```
<nav>

    <a href="/">Serif</a>
    <a href="/">Sans-serif</a>
    <a href="/">Script</a>
    <a href="/">Display</a>
    <a href="/">Display</a>
    <a href="/">Dingbats</a>

</
```

- Called text-level semantic elements in the spec.
- Describe the types of elements that appear in the flow of text.

a	dfn	mark	S
em	code	time	u
strong	var	data	small
q	samp	ins/del	bdi/bdo
abbr	kbd	b	data
cite	sub/sup	i	span

Emphasis

Text that should be emphasized. Usually displayed in italics.

```
Arlo is very smart. Arlo is <em>very</em> smart.
```


Text that is important, serious, or urgent. Usually displayed in bold.

```
When returning the car, <strong>drop the keys in the red box by the front desk</strong>.
```

TIP: Use these elements semantically, not to achieve font styles. Think of how it would be read with a screen reader.

Short Quotations

For quoted phrases in the flow of text. Browsers add appropriate quotation marks automatically.

```
Matthew Carter says, <q>Our alphabet hasn't changed in eons.
```

Matthew Carter says, "Our alphabet hasn't changed in eons."

Abbreviations and Acronyms

The **title** attribute provides the long version of a shortened term, which is helpful for search engines and assistive devices.

```
<abbr title="Points">pts.</abbr>
```

<abbr title="American Type Founders">ATF</abbr>

Superscript and Subscript

Causes the selected text to display in a smaller size and slightly above (**sup**) or below (**sub**) the baseline.

$$H_20$$
 E=MC²

Citations

Identifies a reference to another document.

```
Passages of this article were inspired
by <cite>The Complete Manual of
Typography</cite> by James Felici.
```

Defining Terms

Identifies the first and defining instance of a word in a document. There is no default rendering, so you need to format them using style sheets.

<dfn>Script typefaces</dfn> are based on handwriting.

Code-Related Elements

New Semantic Definitions for Old Presentational Inline Elements

```
<br/> </b> Phrases that need to stand out without added emphasis or importance (bold)
```

<i>> </i> Phrases in a different voice or mood than the surrounding text (italic)

<s> </s> Text that is incorrect (*strike-through*)

<u> </u> Underlined text, when underlining has semantic purpose

<small> </small> Addendum or side note (smaller text size)

Highlighted Text

<mark> </mark>

For phrases that may be particularly relevant to the reader (for example, when displaying search results):

```
... PART I. ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT. TITLE IX. TAXATION. CHAPTER 65C. MASS. <mark>ESTATE TAX</mark>. Chapter 65C: Sect. 2. Computation of <mark>estate tax</mark>.
```

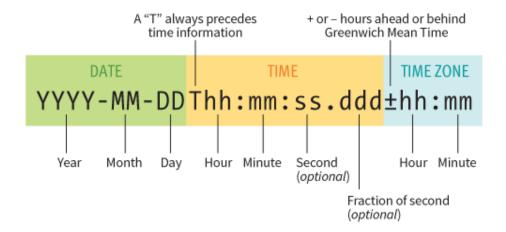
... PART I. ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT. TITLE IX. TAXATION. CHAPTER 65C. MASS. ESTATE TAX. Chapter 65C: Sect. 2. Computation of estate tax.

Dates and Times

<time> </time>

Provides machine-readable equivalents for dates and times. The **datetime** attribute specifies the date/time information in a standardized time format:

```
<time datetime="1970-09-05T01:11:00">Sept.5,
1970, 1:11a.m.</time>
```



Machine-Readable Information

<data> </data>

Helps computers make sense of content.

The **value** attribute provides the machine-readable information.

```
<data value="12">Twelve</data>

<data value="978-1-449-39319-9">CSS: The
Definitive Guide</data>
```

Inserted and Deleted Content

```
<ins> </ins>
<del> </del>
```

Markup for edits indicating parts of a document that have been inserted or deleted:

```
Chief Executive Officer: <del
title="retired">Peter Pan</del><ins>Pippi
Longstocking</ins>
```

Generic Elements

<div> </div>

Indicates division of content (generally block-level)

Indicates a word or phrase

- Generic elements are given semantic meaning with the id and class attributes.
- They are useful for creating "hooks" for scripts and style rules.

Div Example

Use the **div** element to create a logical grouping of content or elements on the page.

It indicates that they belong together in some sort of conceptual unit or should be treated as a unit by CSS or JavaScript.

```
<div class="listing">
    <img src="images/felici-cover.gif" alt="">
     <cite>The Complete Manual of Typography</cite>, James
Felici
     A combination of type history and examples of good and
bad type design.
</div>
```

Span Example

Use the **span** element for text and other inline elements for which no existing inline element currently exists.

In this example, a **span** is used to add semantic meaning to telephone numbers:

```
     <!i>John: <span class="tel">999.8282</span>
     <!i>Paul: <span class="tel">888.4889</span>
     <!i>George: <span class="tel">888.1628</span>
     <!i>Ringo: <span class="tel">999.3220</span>
```

id and class Attributes

id

Assigns a unique identifier to the element.

class

Classifies elements into a conceptual group.

Use the **id** attribute to identify. Use the **class** attribute to classify.

NOTE: id and class can be used with all HTML elements.

The id Attribute

The value of an id attribute must be used only once in a document.

Here it identifies a listing for a particular book by its ISBN:

```
<div id="ISBN0321127307">
    <img src="felici-cover.gif" alt="">
     <cite>The Complete Manual of
Typography</cite>, James Felici
    A combination of type history ...
</div>
```

Here it identifies a particular section of a document:

```
<section id="news">
  <!-- news items here -->
</section>
```

The class Attribute

A **class** value may be used by multiple elements to put them in conceptual groups for scripting or styling.

Here several book listings are classified as a "listing":

```
<div id="ISBN0321127307" class="listing">
...
</div>
<div id="ISBN0881792063" class="listing">
...
</div>
```

An element may belong to more than one class. Separate class values with character spaces:

```
<div id="ISBN0321127307" class="listing book
nonfiction">
```

Brief ARIA Introduction

ARIA (Accessible Rich Internet Applications)

is a standardized set of attributes for making pages easier to navigate and use with assistive devices.

ARIA defines **roles**, **states**, and **properties** that developers can add to markup and scripts to provide richer information.

ARIA Roles

Roles describe or clarify an element's function in the document.

Examples: alert, button, dialog, slider, and menubar

<div id="status" role="alert">You
are no longer connected to the
server.</div>

ARIA States and Properties

- ARIA defines a long list of states and properties that apply to interactive elements and dynamic content.
- Properties values are likely to be stable (example: aria-labelledby).
- States have values that are likely to change as the user interacts with the content (example: aria-selected).

Escaping Characters

Escaping a character means representing it by its named or numeric **character entity** in the source.

- Some characters must be escaped because they will be mistaken for code (example: the < character would be parsed as the start of an HTML tag).
- Some characters are invisible or just easier to escape than find on the keyboard.

Character Entity References

Character entities always begin with & and end with ;.

Named entities

Use a predefined name for the character (example: < for the less-than symbol <)

Numeric entities

Use an assigned numeric value that corresponds to its position in a coded character set, such as UTF-8 (example: < for the less-than symbol <).

A complete list of HTML named entities and their Unicode code-points is at www.w3.org/TR/html5/syntax.html#named-character-references.

Escaping HTML Syntax Characters

Always escape <, >, and & characters in content. Escape " and " when they are in attribute values.

Character	Description	Entity name	Decimal	Hexadecimal
<	Less-than symbol	<		
>	Greater-than symbol	>	& #062;	>
п	Quote	"	 ;	"
1	Apostrophe	'	& #039;	'
&	Ampersand	&	& #038;	&

(Additional non-required character entities are listed in Chapter 5.)

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Adding Images

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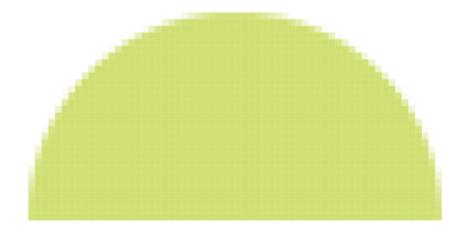
Web Image Formats

Image formats appropriate for web pages:

- PNG
- JPEG
- GIF
- SVG
- WebP (up and coming, not yet widely supported)

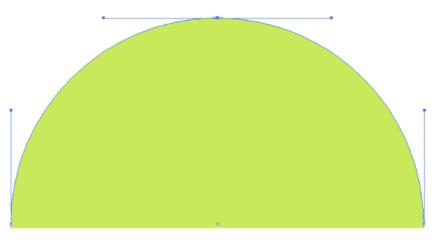
Bitmapped vs. Vector Formats

Bitmapped images are made up of a grid of colored pixels.



PNG, JPEG, GIF, and WebP are bitmapped formats.

Vector images contain paths that are defined mathematically.



SVG is a vector format.

The img Element

```
<img src="" alt="">
```

- Embed images on the page with the empty img element.
- The src and alt attributes are required.
- img can be used for PNG, JPEG, GIF, and SVG.

NOTE: Special markup is recommended for experimenting with cutting-edge image formats like WebP.

The img Element (cont'd)

The **img** element tells the browser to make a server request for the image and display it in its place:

```
This summer, try making pizza <img src="pizza.png" alt="">
on your grill.
```



This summer, try making pizza

on your grill.

The src attribute

- The value is the location (URL) of the image file.
- Use the relative pathname conventions to point to the image on the server.

PERFORMANCE TIP: Take advantage of **caching** (temporary storage). For the same image used repeatedly, using the same pathname reduces the number of calls to the server.

The alt Attribute

If you're and
you know it, clap your hands.

- The alt attribute provides alternative text for those who are not able to see it.
- It is required for every img element in order for the HTML to be valid.
- It is used by screen readers, search engines, and graphical browsers when the image fails to load.



Alternative Text Tips

- Alternative text (alt text) should convey the same information and function as the image.
- If the image is purely decorative and shouldn't be read aloud, include the alt attribute with an empty value:

```
<img src="flowers.svg" alt="">
```

- Consider what the alt text would sound like when read aloud by a screen reader. Is it helpful or a hindrance?
- When an image is used as a link, the alt text serves as the linked text. Write what you'd want the link to say, don't just describe the image.
- Avoid starting alt text with "An image of" or "Graphic of".

width and height Attributes

```
<img src="flowers.svg" alt="" width="120" height="160">
```

- The width and height attributes set the dimensions of the image on the page in number of pixels.
- They help the browser maintain space for the image in the layout while the files load.
- Don't use width and height attributes if you are sizing the image with style sheets or if the size changes in a responsive layout.
- If the attribute values do not match the dimensions of the image, the image will resize and may be distorted or blurry.

Adding SVG Images

SVG images are unique:

- SVG is a vector format, made up of shapes and paths.
- Those shapes and paths are described in a text file using the Scalable Vector Graphic markup language.
- The elements in an SVG can be styled with CSS and scripted for interactivity.
- Because they are vector, SVGs can resize with no loss of quality.

SVG Example

Compare the SVG source to the image. The **svg** element contains a rectangle (**rect** element) and a **text** element:

```
<svg xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" viewBox="0 0 300 180">
    <rect width="300" height="180" fill="purple" rx="20" ry="20"/>
        <text x="40" y="114" fill="yellow" font-family="'Verdana-Bold'"
font-size="72">
        hello!
        </text>
        </svg>
```



Adding SVG to a Page

There are several ways to add an SVG image to a web page:

- element
- <object> element
- <svg> element directly in HTML (inline SVG)

Adding SVG with the img Element

You can add an .svg file to the page with the img element:

```
<img src="/images/circle.svg" alt="">
```

PROS:

- Easy and familiar
- Universally supported

CONS:

- Can't manipulate the SVG with scripts or styles.
- The SVG can't contain any external resources such as images or fonts.

Embedding SVGs with object

The content of the **object** element is a fallback text or image that displays if the SVG is not supported:

```
<object type="image/svg+xml" data="pizza.svg">
     <img src="pizza.png" alt="pizza">
</object>
```

PROS:

SVG can be scripted and use eternal files (images and fonts).

CONS:

- You can't change styles with the same CSS used for the document.
- May be buggy in some browsers.

Inline SVGs with the svg Element

You can paste the content of the SVG text file directly into the HTML source. This is called using the SVG **inline**.

PROS:

 Can take full advantage of scripting and styling the SVG because the elements in the SVG are part of the DOM for the document.

CONS:

- Code can get extremely long and unwieldy.
- Harder to maintain images embedded in the source
- Can't take advantage of caching repeated images
- Not universally supported

Example of an Inline SVG



This summer, try making pizza

on your grill.

```
This summer, try making pizza
<svg xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" viewBox="0 0 72 72" width="100"</pre>
height="100">
  <circle fill="#D4AB00" cx="36" cy="36" r="36"/>
  <circle opacity=".7" fill="#FFF" stroke="#8A291C" cx="36.1" cy="35.9" r="31.2"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="38.8" cy="13.5" r="4.8"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="22.4" cy="20.9" r="4.8"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="32" cy="37.2" r="4.8"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="16.6" cy="39.9" r="4.8"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="26.2" cy="53.3" r="4.8"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="42.5" cy="27.3" r="4.8"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="44.3" cy="55.2" r="4.8"/>
 <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="54.7" cy="42.9" r="4.8"/>
  <circle fill="#A52C1B" cx="56" cy="28.3" r="4.8"/>
</svg>
on your grill.
```