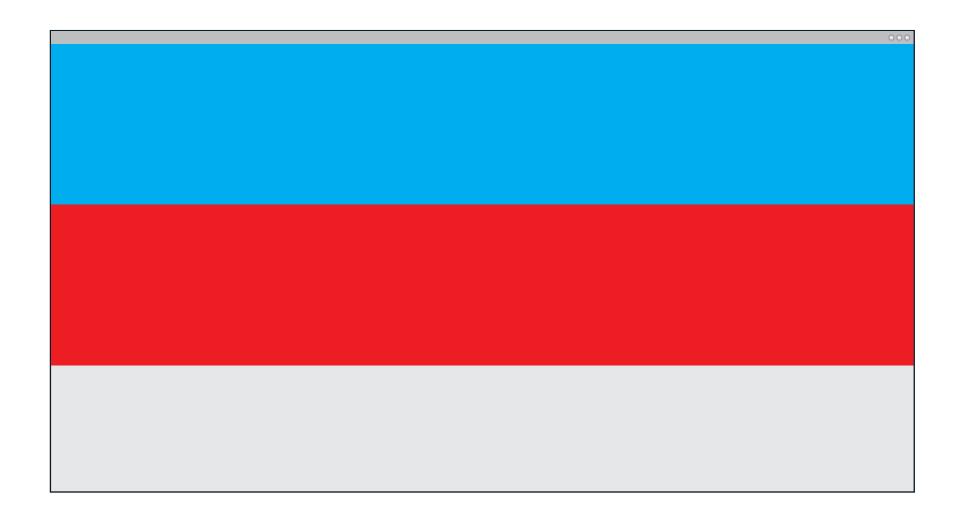
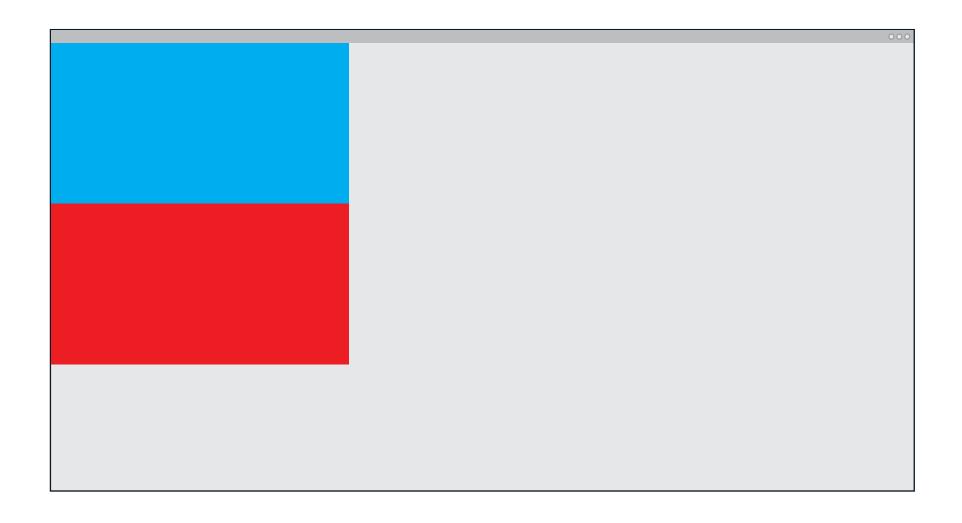
### BLOCK FORMATTING CONTEXT

## IN A BLOCK FORMATTING CONTEXT, THE CONTENT INSIDE THAT CONTEXT IS HANDLED IN A VERY SPECIFIC WAY

#### BOXES ARE LAID OUT ONE ON TOP OF EACH OTHER.

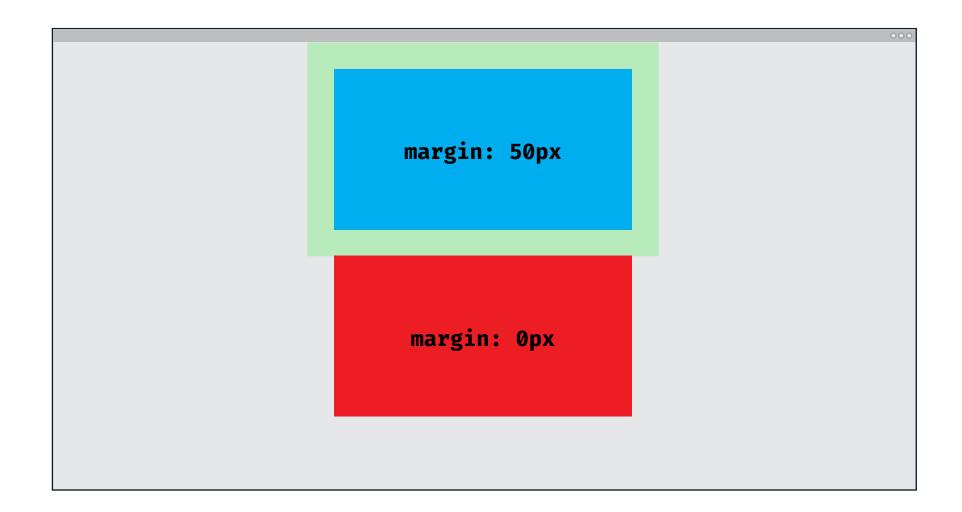
#### EVEN IF THERE IS ROOM, THEY WON'T TRY TO SQUEEZE IN.

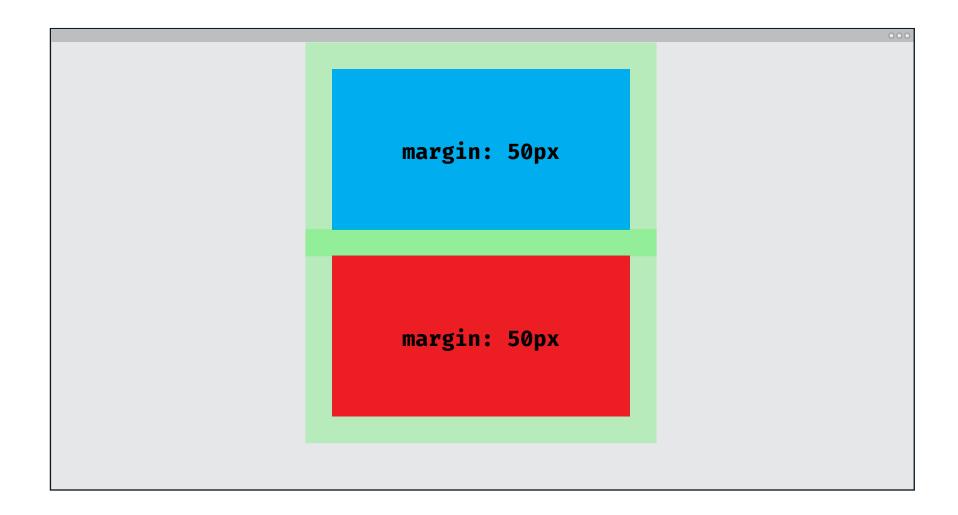


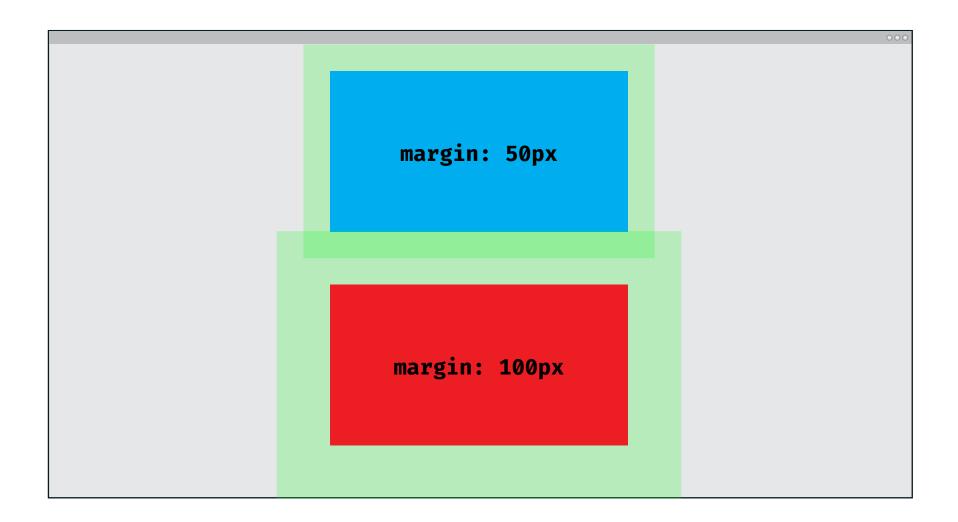


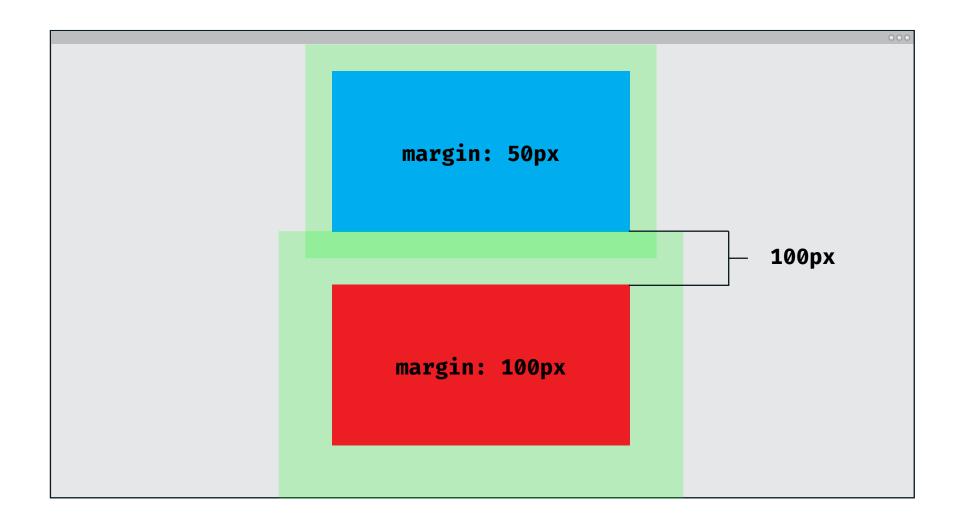
## WE CAN CREATE SPACE BETWEEN THESE ELEMENTS WITH VERTICAL MARGINS.

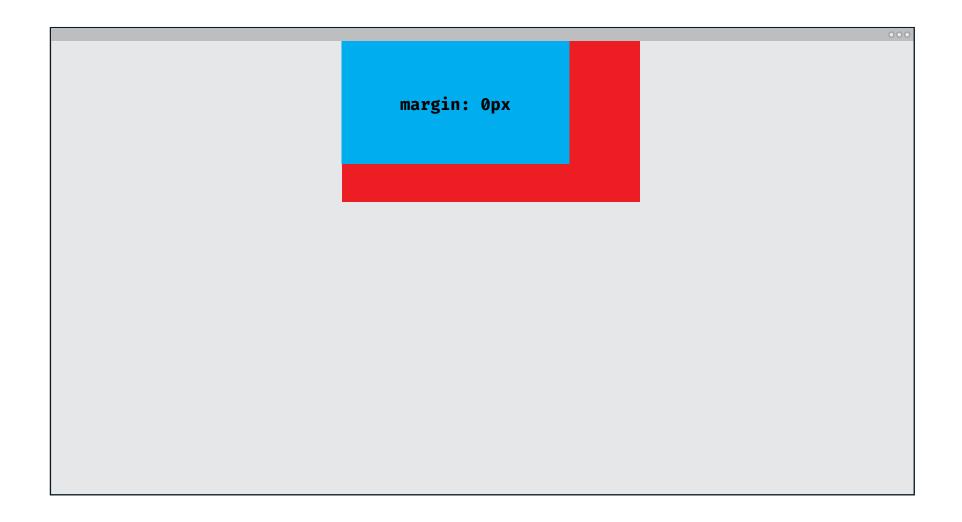
#### AND VERY IMPORTANTLY, THOSE MARGINS COLLAPSE.

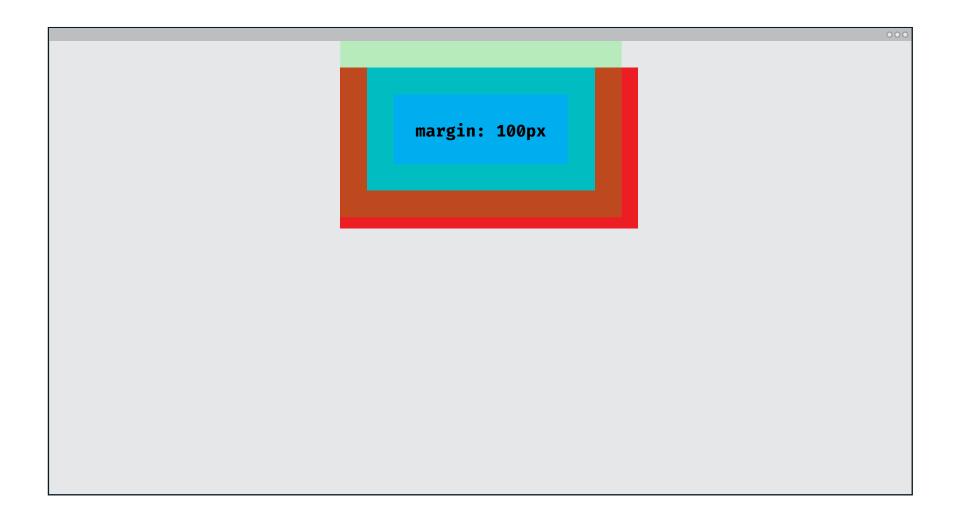












# THE ROOT OF OUR DOCUMENT (THE HTML ELEMENT) CREATES A BLOCK FORMATTING CONTEXT, WHICH ALL OF OUR CONTENT LIVES INSIDE

## WE CAN CREATE NEW BLOCK FORMATTING CONTEXTS WITHIN OUR DOCUMENT AS WELL.

#### BLOCK FORMATTING CONTEXTS ARE A BIG DEAL IF YOU USE FLOATS.

#### BUT WE DON'T DO THAT MUCH ANYMORE.

#### THEY ALSO HAVE AN IMPACT ON COLLAPSING MARGINS.

#### THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT THESE DAYS.

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#### YOU CAN CREATE A NEW BLOCK FORMATTING CONTEXT IN A LOT OF WAYS (THIS IS JUST A FEW)

- Using float
- position abosolute, fixed,and inline-block
- overflow of anything except visible
- using columns
- flex and grid items
- display: flow-root

- float example:
- margin collapsing example:

## WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

WITH SO MANY THINGS CREATING A NEW FORMATING CONTEXT, AND BECAUSE A NEW BLOCK FORMATTING CONTEXT STOPS MARGINS FROM COLLAPSING, IT CAN BE HARD TO BE CONSISTENT.