HTML Ordered Lists

The HTML `<ol>` tag defines an ordered list. An ordered list can be numerical or alphabetical.

Ordered HTML List

An ordered list starts with the `<ol>` tag. Each list item starts with the `<li>` tag.

The list items will be marked with numbers by default:

Example

```
<ol>
    <li>Coffee</li>
    <li>Tea</li>
    <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Ordered HTML List - The Type Attribute

The `type` attribute of the `<ol>` tag, defines the type of the list item marker:

Type	Description
type="1"	The list items will be numbered with numbers (default)
type="A"	The list items will be numbered with uppercase letters

type="a"	The list items will be numbered with lowercase letters
type="I"	The list items will be numbered with uppercase roman numbers
type="i"	The list items will be numbered with lowercase roman numbers

Numbers

Numbers:

```
<ol type="1">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Uppercase Letters

Uppercase Letters:

```
<ol type="A">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Lowercase Letters

Lowercase Letters:

```
<ol type="a">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Roman Numbers - Uppercase

Uppercase Roman Numbers:

```
<ol type="I">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Roman Numbers - Lowercase

Lowercase Roman Numbers:

```
<ol type="i">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Control List Counting

By default, an ordered list will start counting from 1. If you want to start counting from a specified number, you can use the `start` attribute:

Example

```
<ol start="50">
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea</li>
  <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Nested HTML Lists

Lists can be nested (list inside list):

Example

```
<ol>
  <li>Coffee</li>
  <li>Tea
    <ol>
```

```
      <li>Black tea</li>
      <li>Green tea</li>
    </ol>
  </li>
  <li>Milk</li>
</ol>
```

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Note: A list item (`<li>`) can contain a new list, and other HTML elements, like images and links, etc.

Chapter Summary

- Use the HTML `<ol>` element to define an ordered list
- Use the HTML `type` attribute to define the numbering type
- Use the HTML `<li>` element to define a list item
- Lists can be nested
- List items can contain other HTML elements

Exercise ?

What is the correct HTML attribute to use when defining the type of the list item marker of ordered lists?

- ⦿ `list-style`
- ⦿ `list-type`
- ⦿ `marker-type`
- ⦿ `type`

HTML List Tags

Tag	Description
	Defines an unordered list
	Defines an ordered list
	Defines a list item
<dl>	Defines a description list
<dt>	Defines a term in a description list
<dd>	Describes the term in a description list

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