Accessibility Testing, Tools, & Resources

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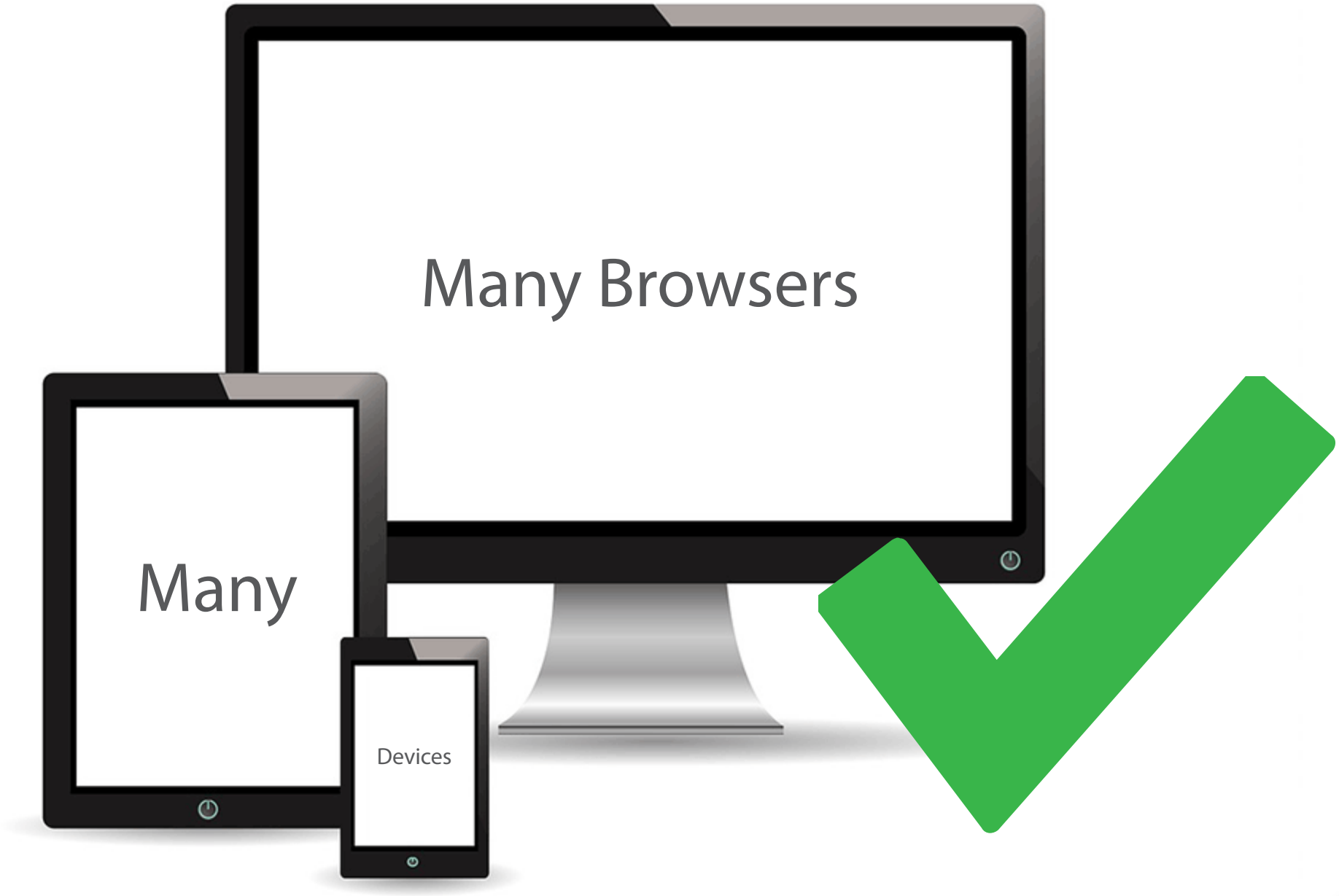

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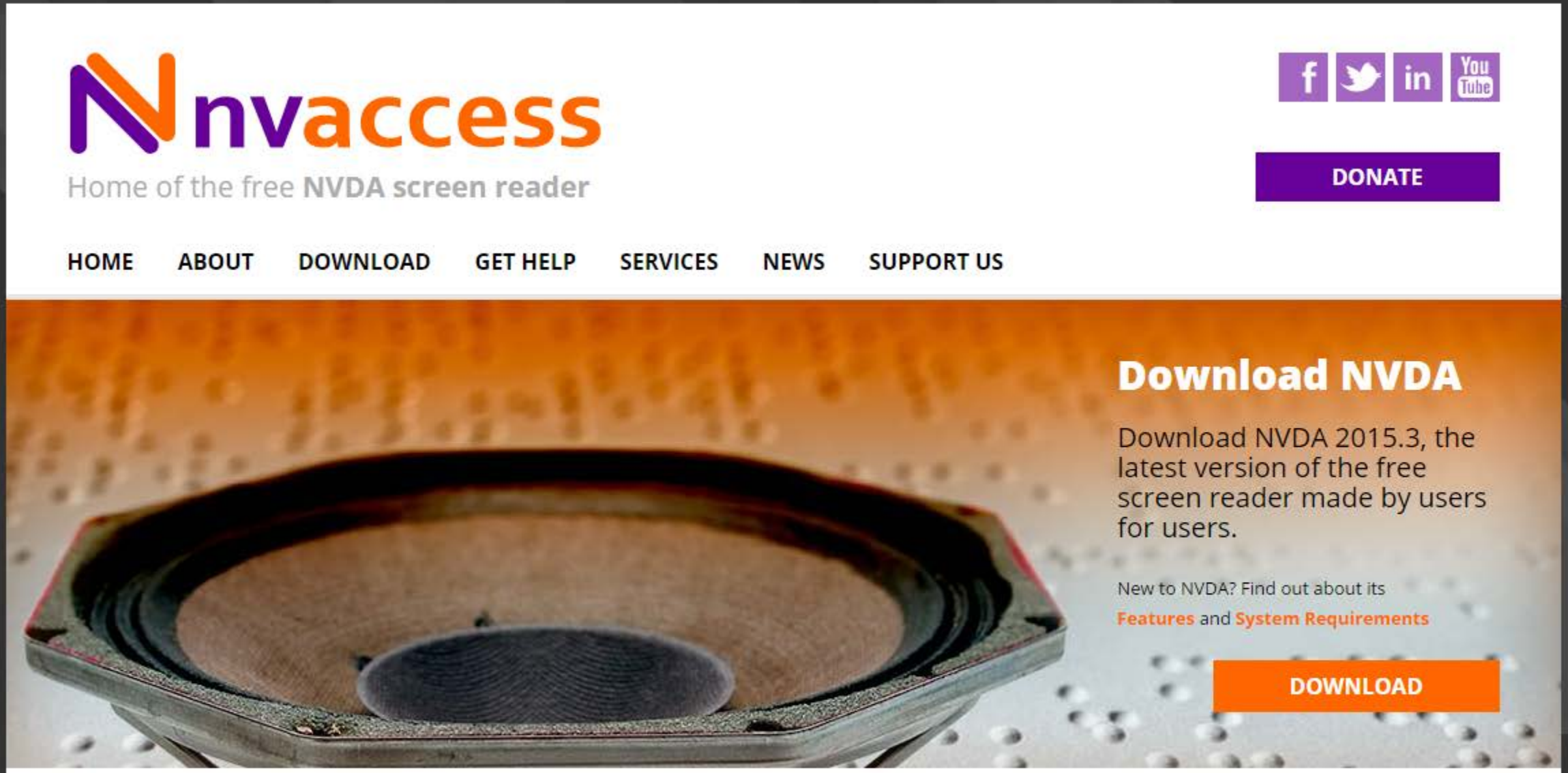

Checkpoints for Web Content Accessibility Guidelines

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http://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG10/full-checklist.html

Some checkpoints specify a priority level that may change under certain (indicated) conditions.

Priority 1 checkpoints

In General (Priority 1)	Yes	No	N/A
1.1 Provide a text equivalent for every non-text element (e.g., via "alt", "longdesc", or in element content). *This includes*: images, graphical representations of text (including symbols), image map regions, animations (e.g., animated GIFs), applets and programmatic objects, ascii art, frames, scripts, images used as list bullets, spacers, graphical buttons, sounds (played with or without user interaction), stand-alone audio files, audio tracks of video, and video.			
2.1 Ensure that all information conveyed with color is also available without color, for example from context or markup.			
4.1 Clearly identify changes in the natural language of a document's text and any text equivalents (e.g., captions).			
6.1 Organize documents so they may be read without style sheets. For example, when an HTML document is rendered without associated style sheets, it must still be possible to read the document.			
6.2 Ensure that equivalents for dynamic content are updated when the dynamic content changes.			
7.1 Until user agents allow users to control flickering, avoid causing the screen to flicker.			
14.1 Use the clearest and simplest language appropriate for a site's content.			
And if you use images and image maps (Priority 1)	**Yes**	**No**	**N/A**
1.2 Provide redundant text links for each active region of a server-side image map.			
9.1 Provide client-side image maps instead of server-side image maps except where the regions cannot be defined with an available geometric shape.			
And if you use tables (Priority 1)	**Yes**	**No**	**N/A**
5.1 For data tables, identify row and column headers.			
5.2 For data tables that have two or more logical levels of row or column headers, use markup to associate data cells and header cells.			
And if you use frames (Priority 1)	**Yes**	**No**	**N/A**
12.1 Title each frame to facilitate frame identification and navigation.			
And if you use applets and scripts (Priority 1)	**Yes**	**No**	**N/A**
6.3 Ensure that pages are usable when scripts, applets, or other programmatic objects are turned off or not supported. If this is not possible, provide equivalent information on an alternative accessible page.			
And if you use multimedia (Priority 1)	**Yes**	**No**	**N/A**

Test for Accessibility

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Just Like We Test for Everything Else

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Accessibility Tools

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WAVE
web accessibility evaluation tool

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Styles | No Styles | Contrast

Details

No contrast issues were detected.

Does not account for background images, gradients, etc. Ensure fall-back contrast is defined in case images or CSS3 do not display.

Contrast Tools

Foreground color: #0000ff

lighter | darker

Background color: #ffffff

lighter | darker

Contrast Ratio: 8.6:1
Normal Text: Sample

AA: Pass
AAA: Pass

Large Text: Sample

AA: Pass
AAA: Pass

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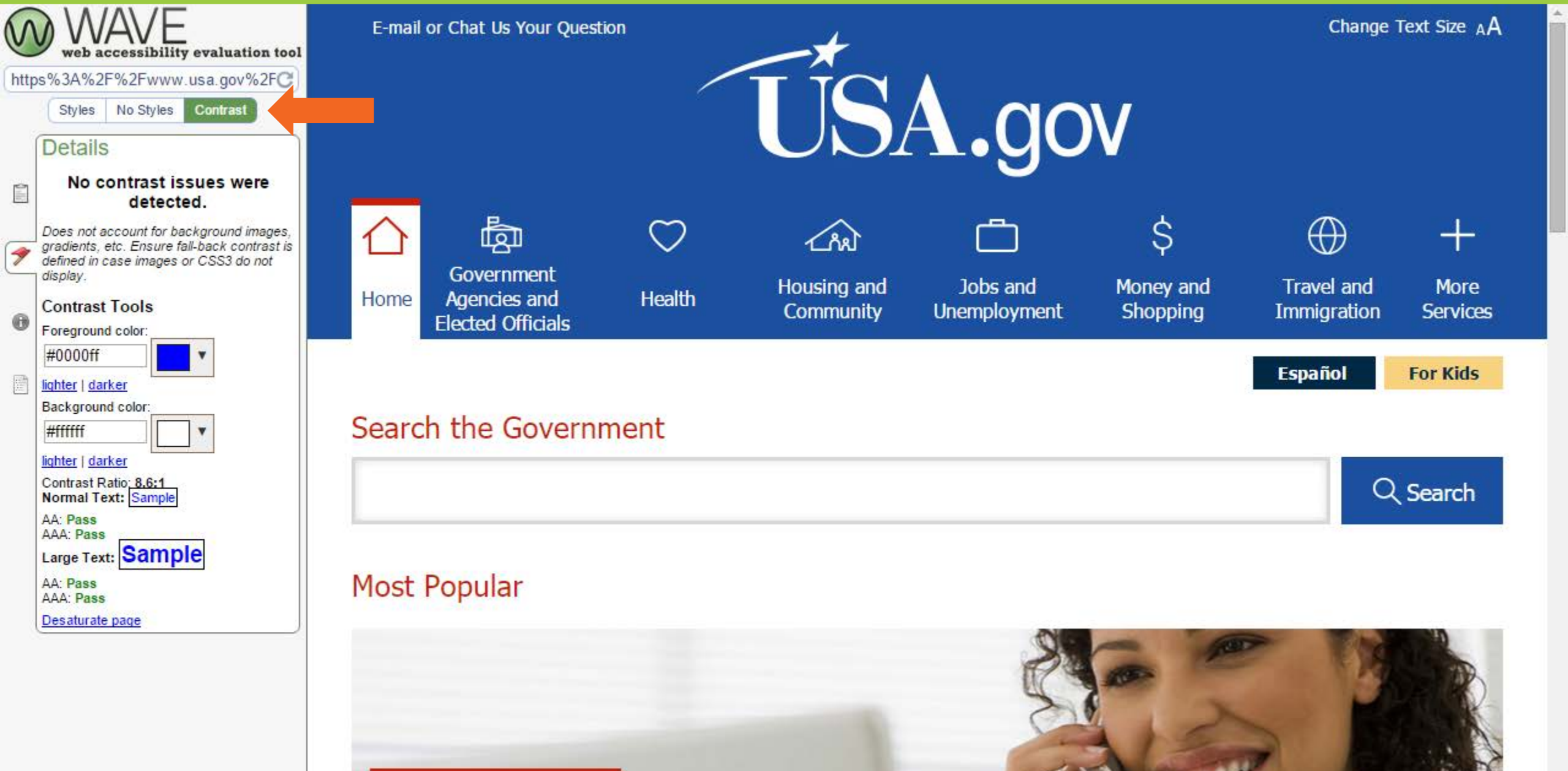

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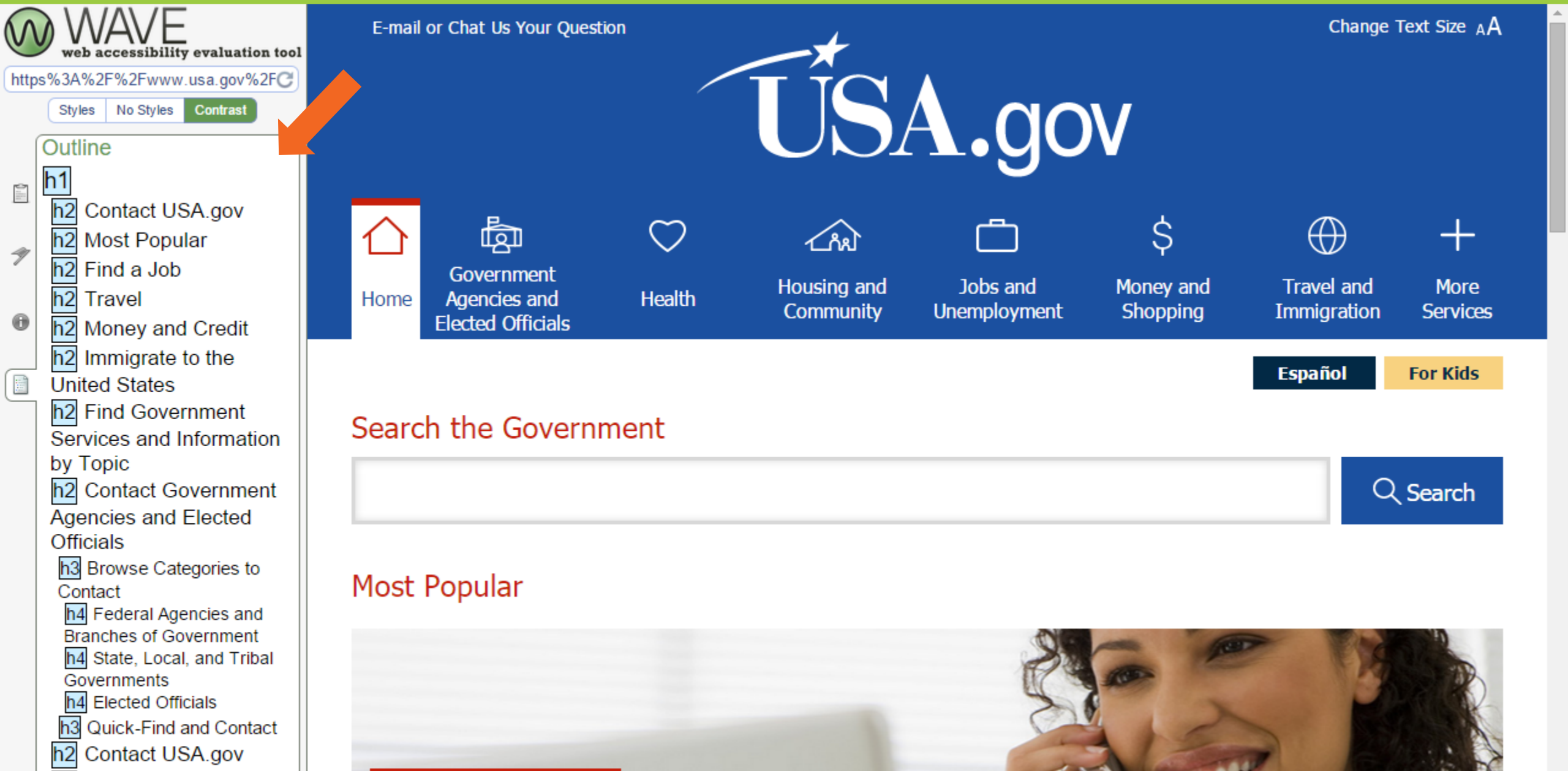

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http://www.paciellogroup.com/resources/contrastanalyser/

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Resources > Colour Contrast Analyser (CCA)

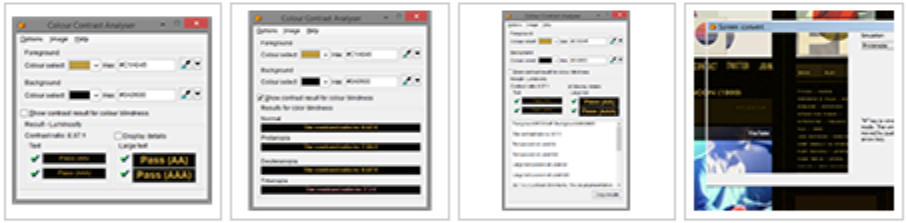
Colour Contrast Analyser

The Colour Contrast Analyser (CCA) helps you determine the legibility of text and the contrast of visual elements, such as graphical controls and visual indicators.

This tool provides two useful core functionalities:

1. a pass/fail assessment against WCAG 2.0 color contrast success criteria
2. a simulation of certain visual conditions, including dichromatic color-blindness and cataracts, to demonstrate how your web content appears to people with less than 20/20 vision

The CCA is available for Windows and Mac, and in multiple languages including English, French, Dutch, Italian, German, Hindi, Korean and traditional Chinese. **Note:** the visual simulation functionality is only available in the Windows version.



Download for windows
Colour Contrast Analyser 2.2a English (Zip, 663KB)

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Colour Contrast Analyser 1.5.13 (DMG, 1.5MB)

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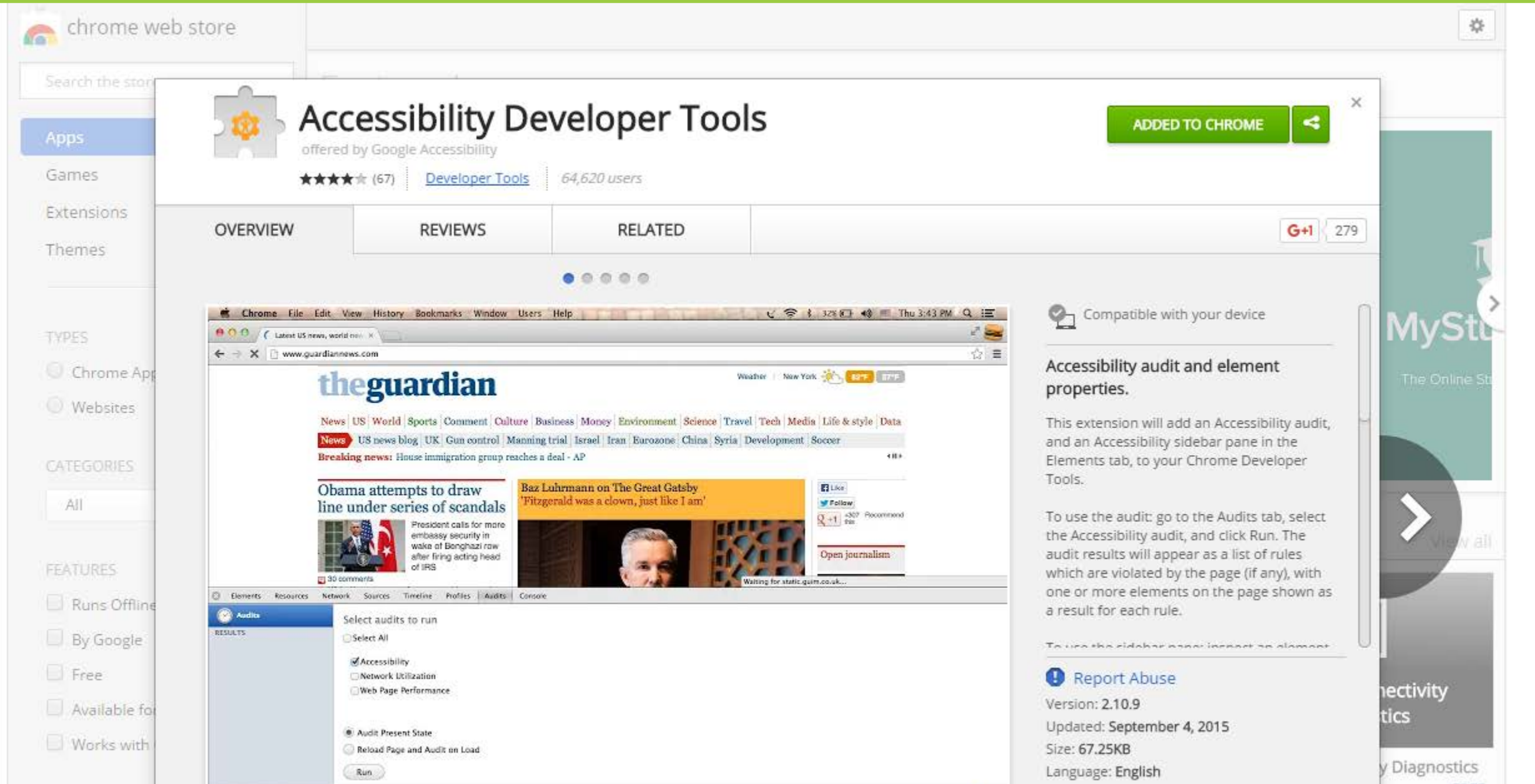

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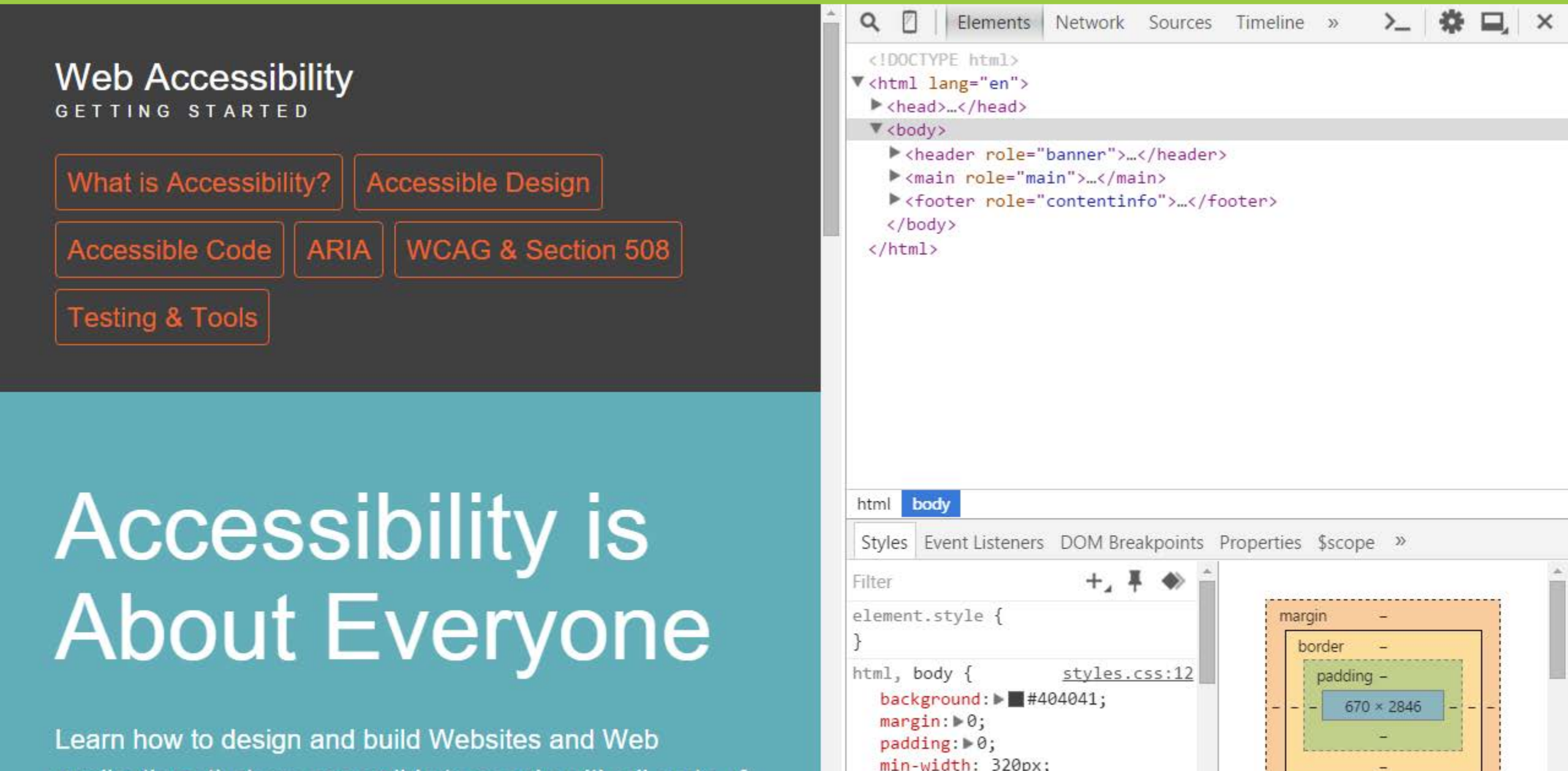

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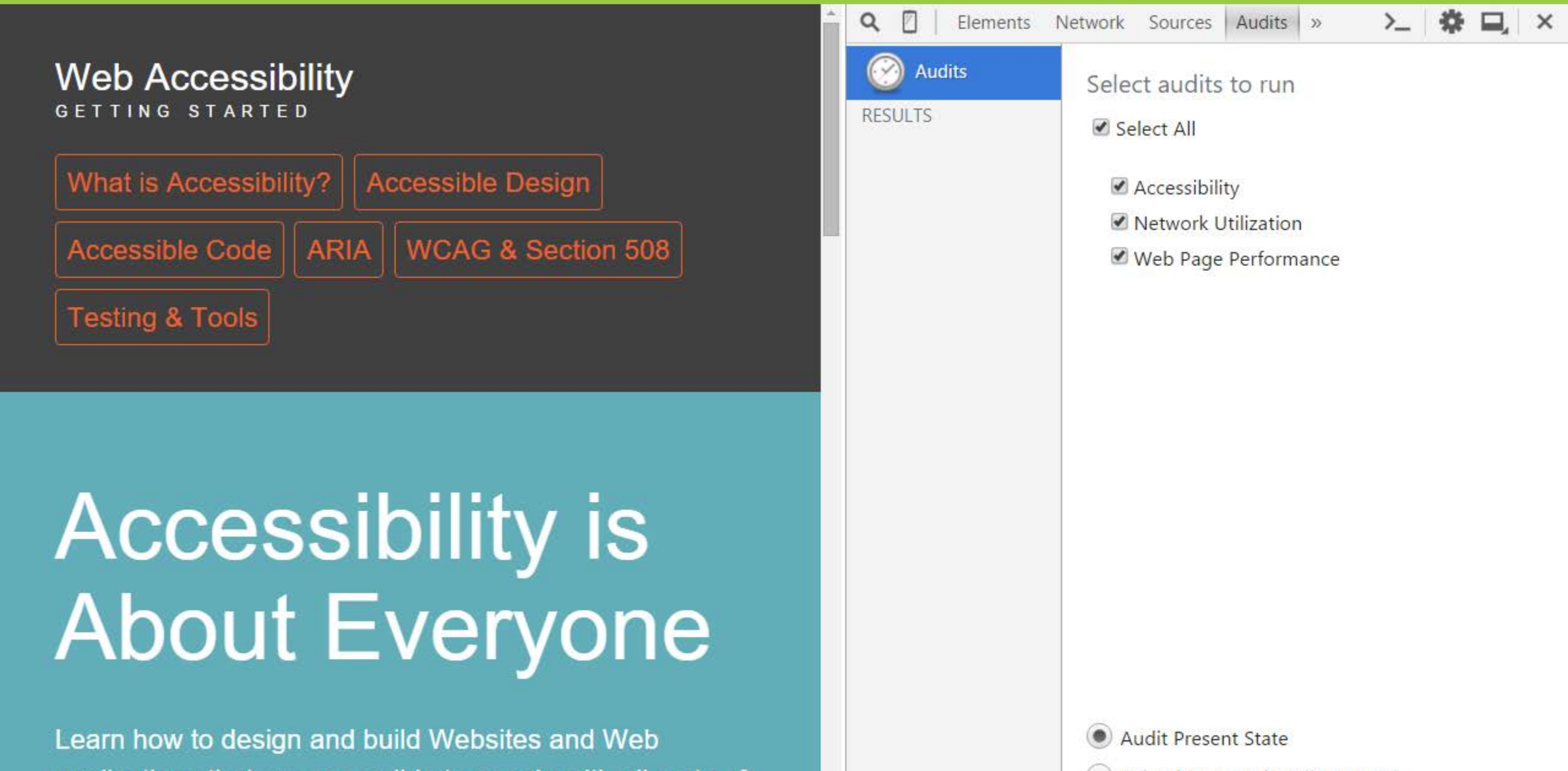

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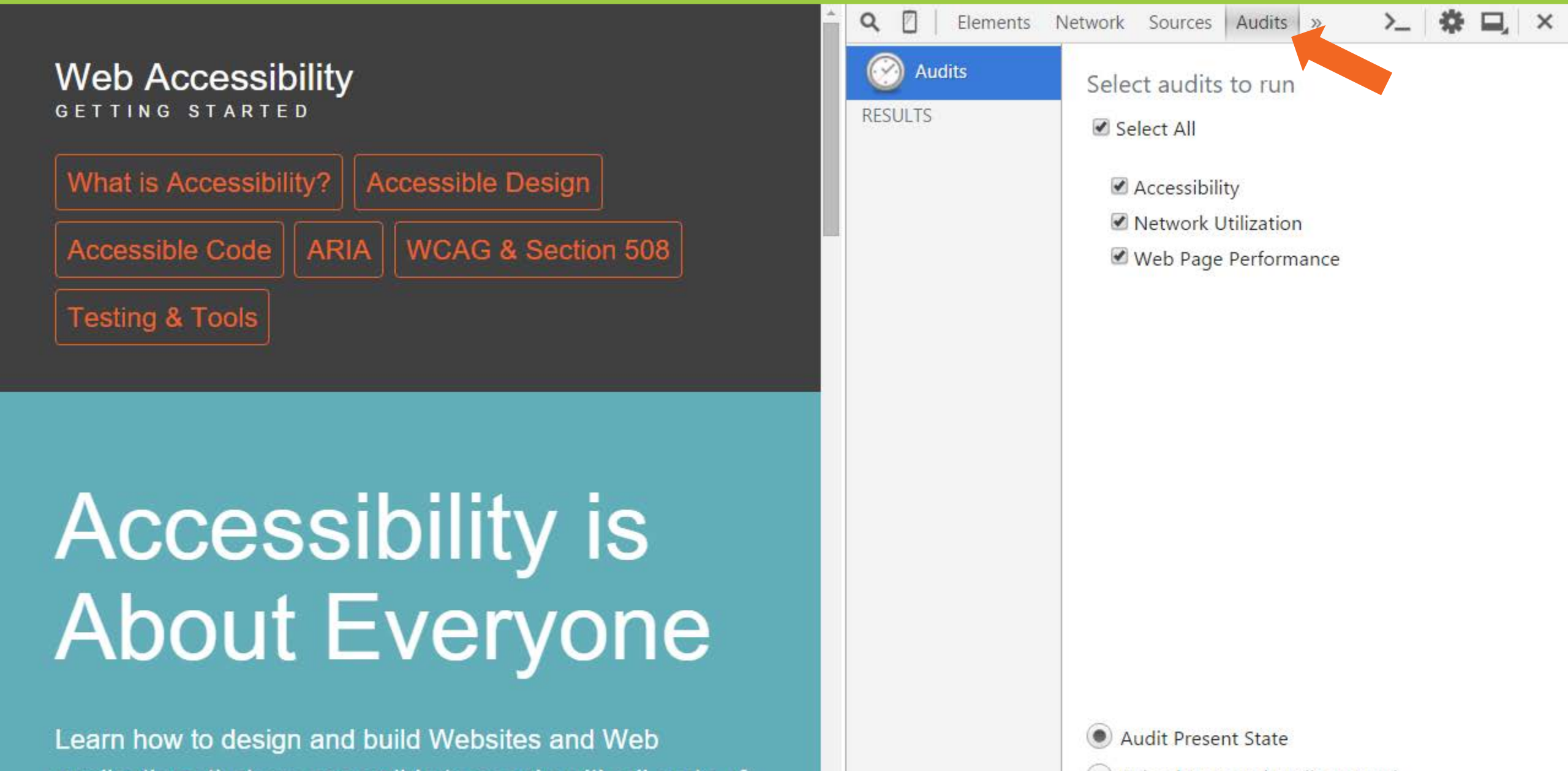

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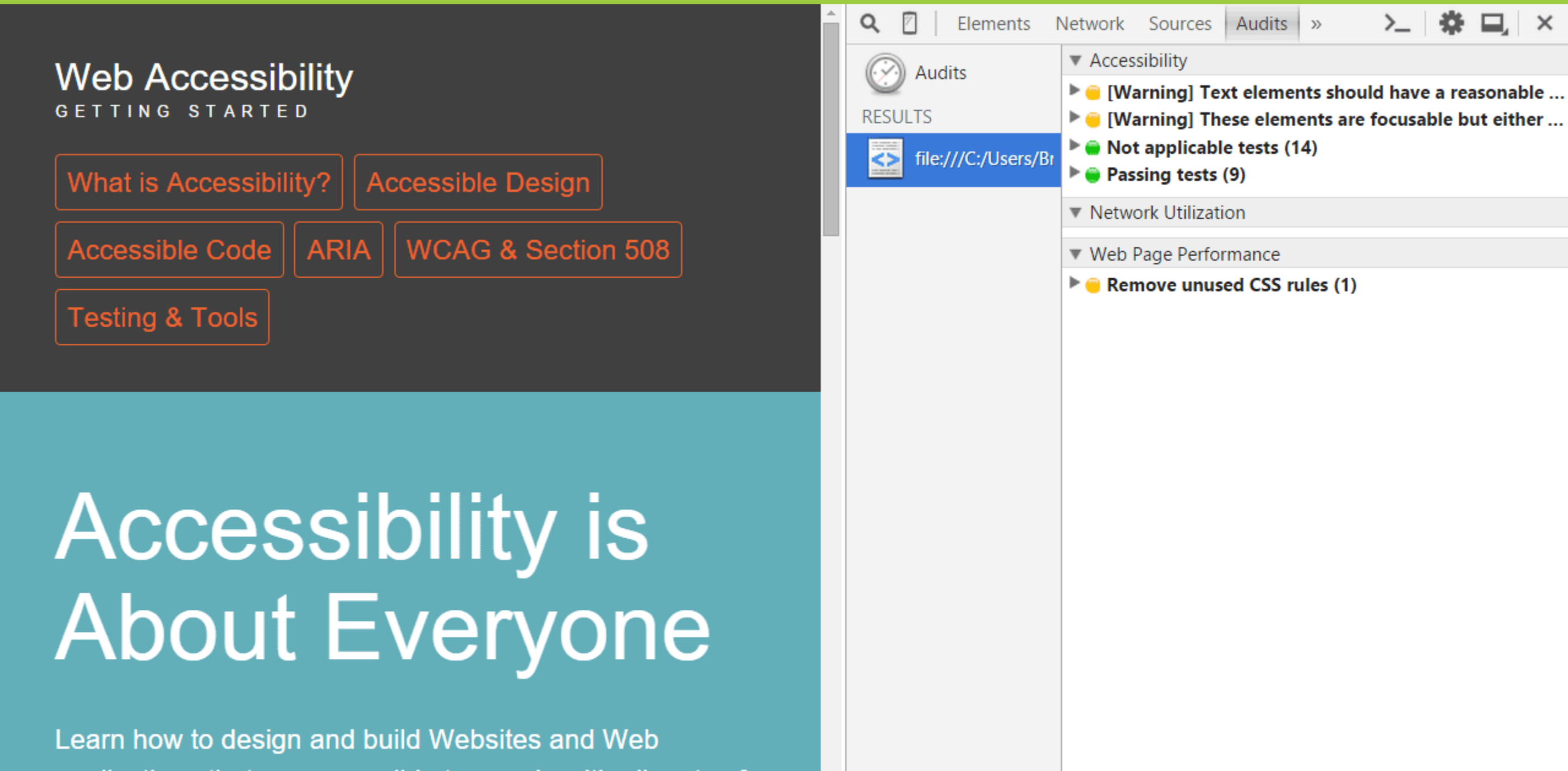

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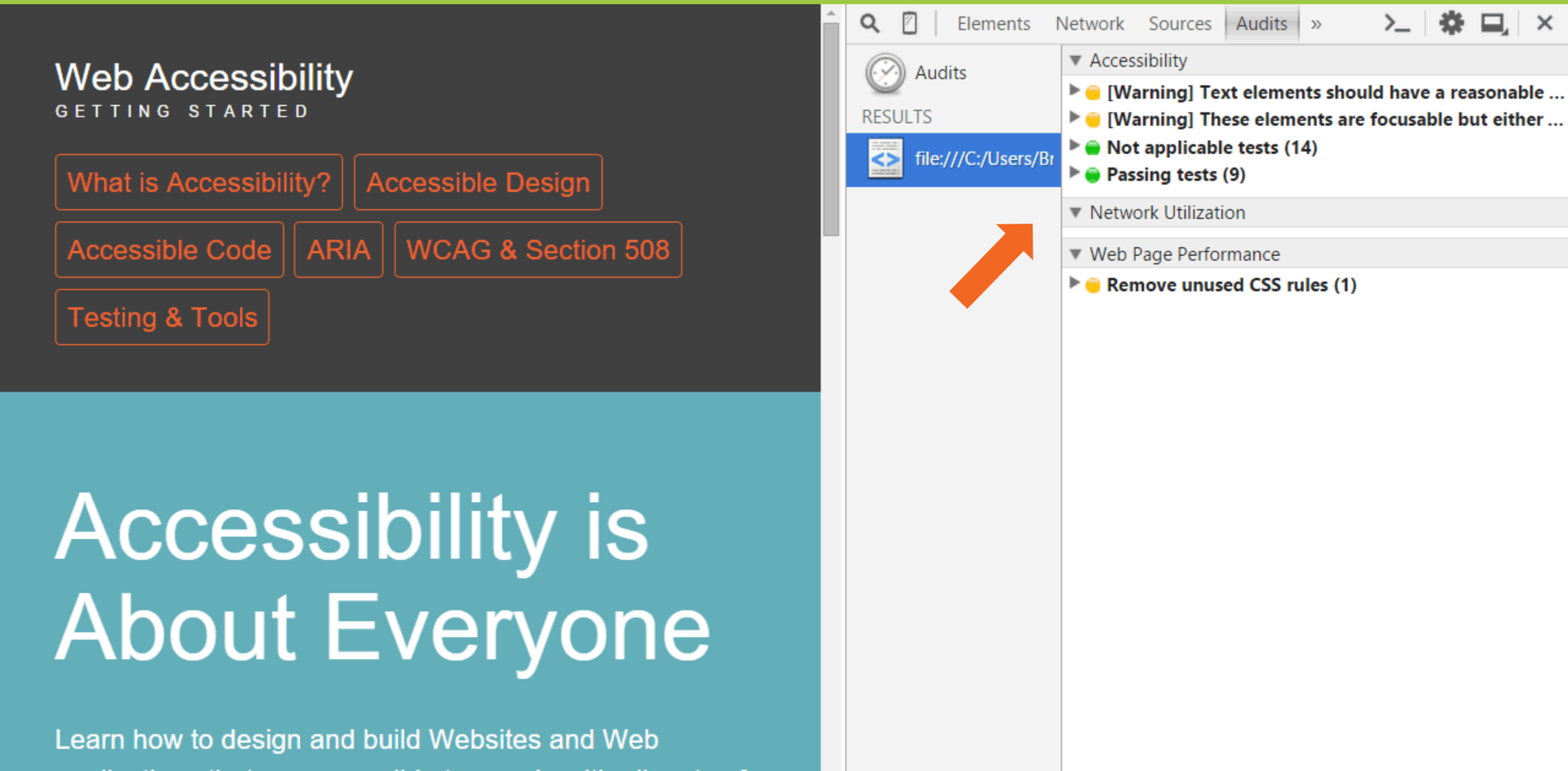

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PRICING DOCS GET CODE REGISTER LOGIN

ENTER A WEBSITE URL OR <HTML> TO TEST YOUR SITE'S ACCESSIBILITY

1 http://www.google.com

ex: Hello world or *http://google.com*

Show Options

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- An API that can be used to integrate accessibility testing into our existing toolsets
- Extremely flexible, reliable and accurate
- Written to test against the WCAG guidelines
- Still not a replacement for human testing
- Accessibility testing that's inserted into our process

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There's No Replacement for Human Testing

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Accessibility Resources

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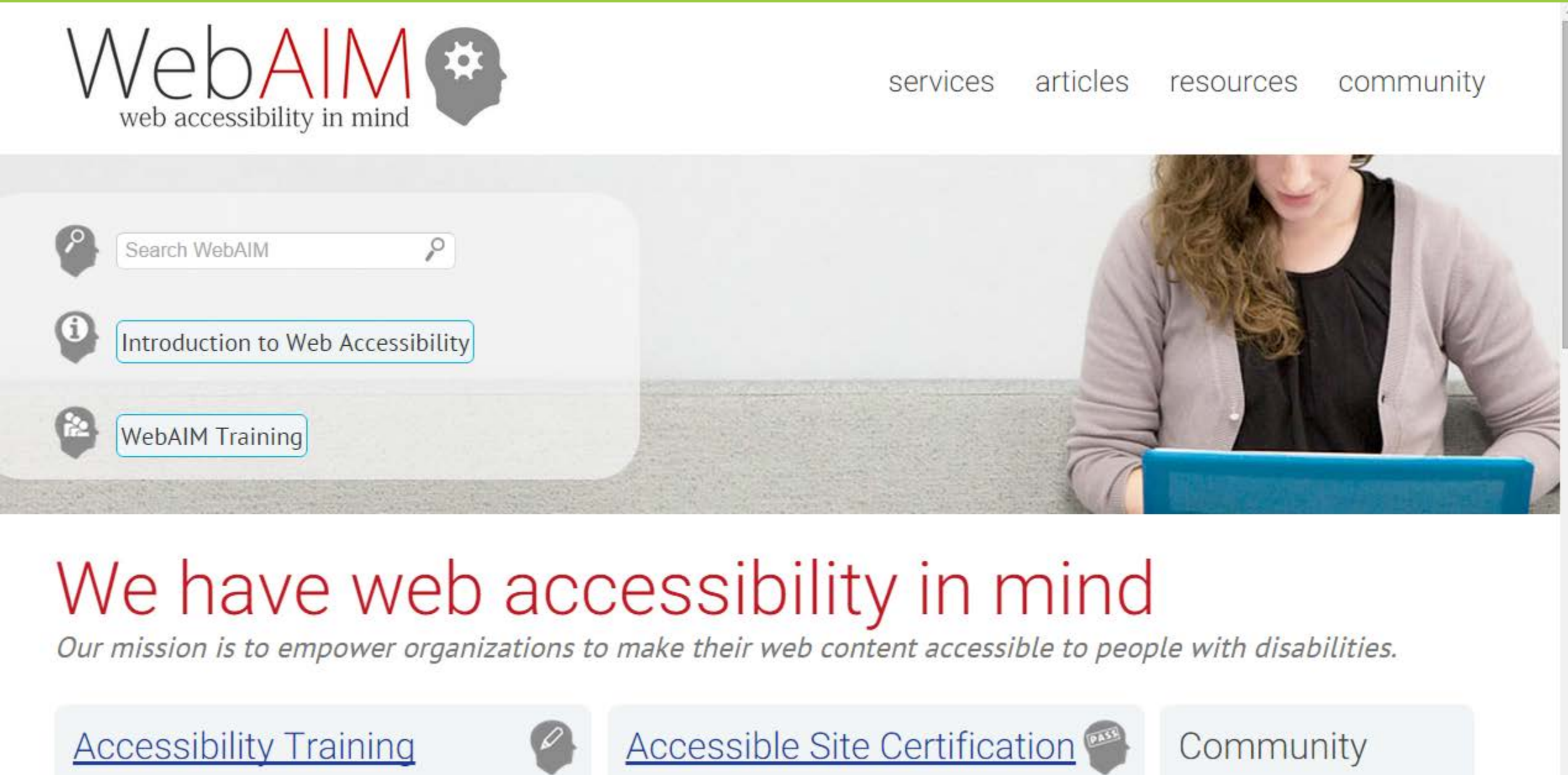

http://webaim.org/

- A non-profit organization with a mission to expand the potential of the web to people with disabilities
- Great info regarding the development and design of accessible websites and applications
- Make the specification easier for us to understand
- They provide:
  - Checklists
  - Contrast checkers
  - The WAVE accessibility evaluation tool

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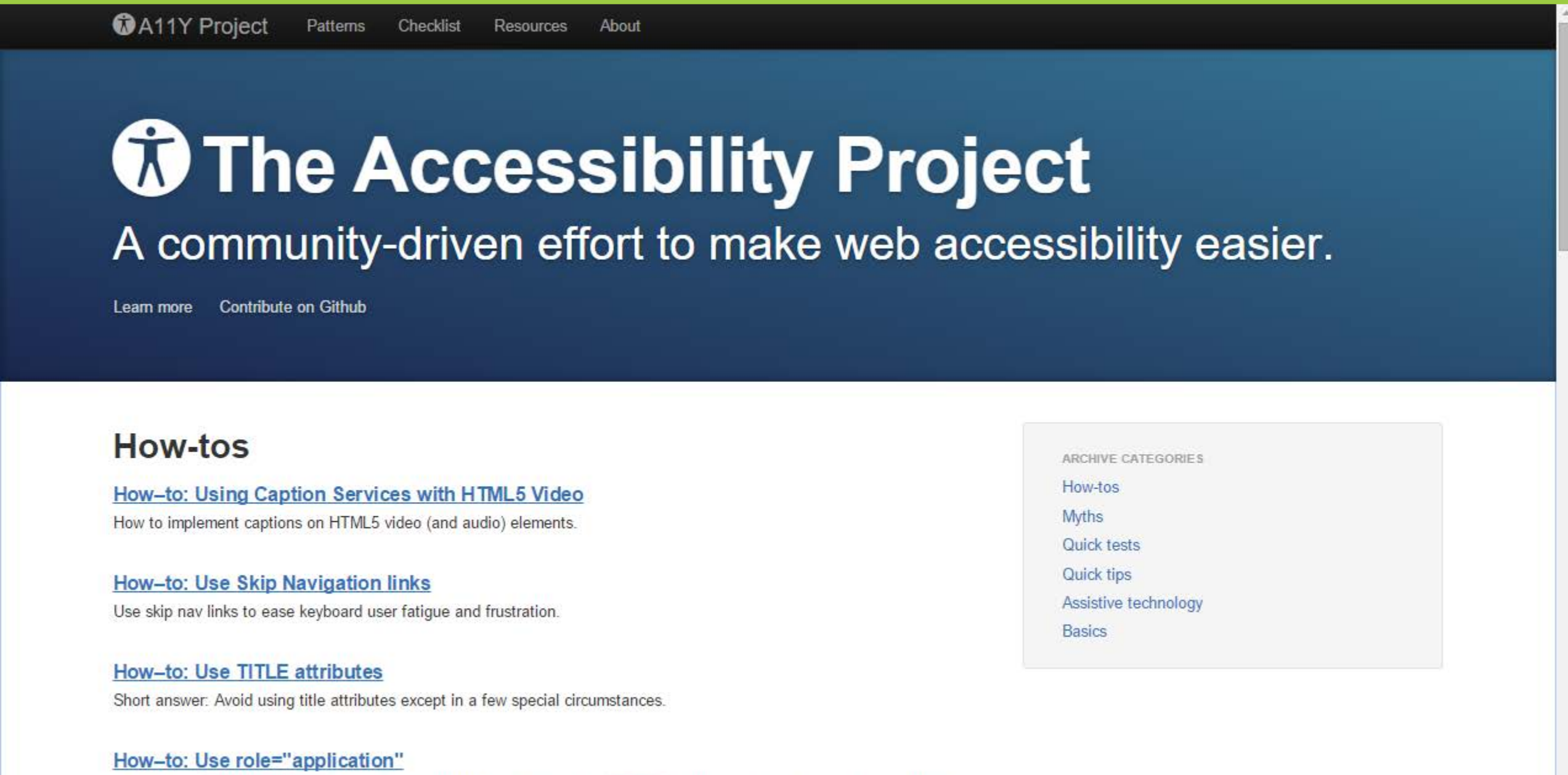

http://a11yproject.com/

- A11y is short for accessibility
- A community effort to break down the complexities of web accessibility
- You can contribute!
- Provide very useful tutorials
- Shut down common accessibility myths
- Provide tests and tips

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http://bitsofco.de/2015/the-accessibility-cheatsheet/

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THE ACCESSIBILITY CHEATSHEET

Posted on 02 June 2015

We all know that accessibility is important. The problem is, it is not always clear what exactly we can do to make our sites more accessible.

The Web Accessibility Initiative created some Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) targeted at us, web content developers, to create more accessible websites. The WCAG contain some very useful information, and so I decided to condense the very extensive guidelines and highlight some practical examples of what we can do to implement them and make our websites more accessible.

OVERVIEW

The guidelines for accessible content have four overarching principles, each with more specific guidelines. You can click on the link to go to the relevant section of this article.

- 1 - "Perceivable" - Information and user interface components must be presentable to users in ways they can perceive.
    - 1.1 - Text Alternatives

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- A nice condensed view of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines
- Real world examples
- Revisit each time before you begin a new project

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http://khan.github.io/tota11y/

on github

tota11y

an accessibility visualization toolkit

from your friends at

KHANACADEMY

http://khan.github.io/tota11y/

- A bookmarklet that we can run on any page
- Lets us know of errors in code and color
- Can be added as a bookmarklet in the browser
- Can be referenced from within our site by including the script

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Showcasing accessible user interfaces and tools.
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- Brings a fresh perspective on accessible UI patterns
- Great place to get inspired
- Can submit our own favorite examples

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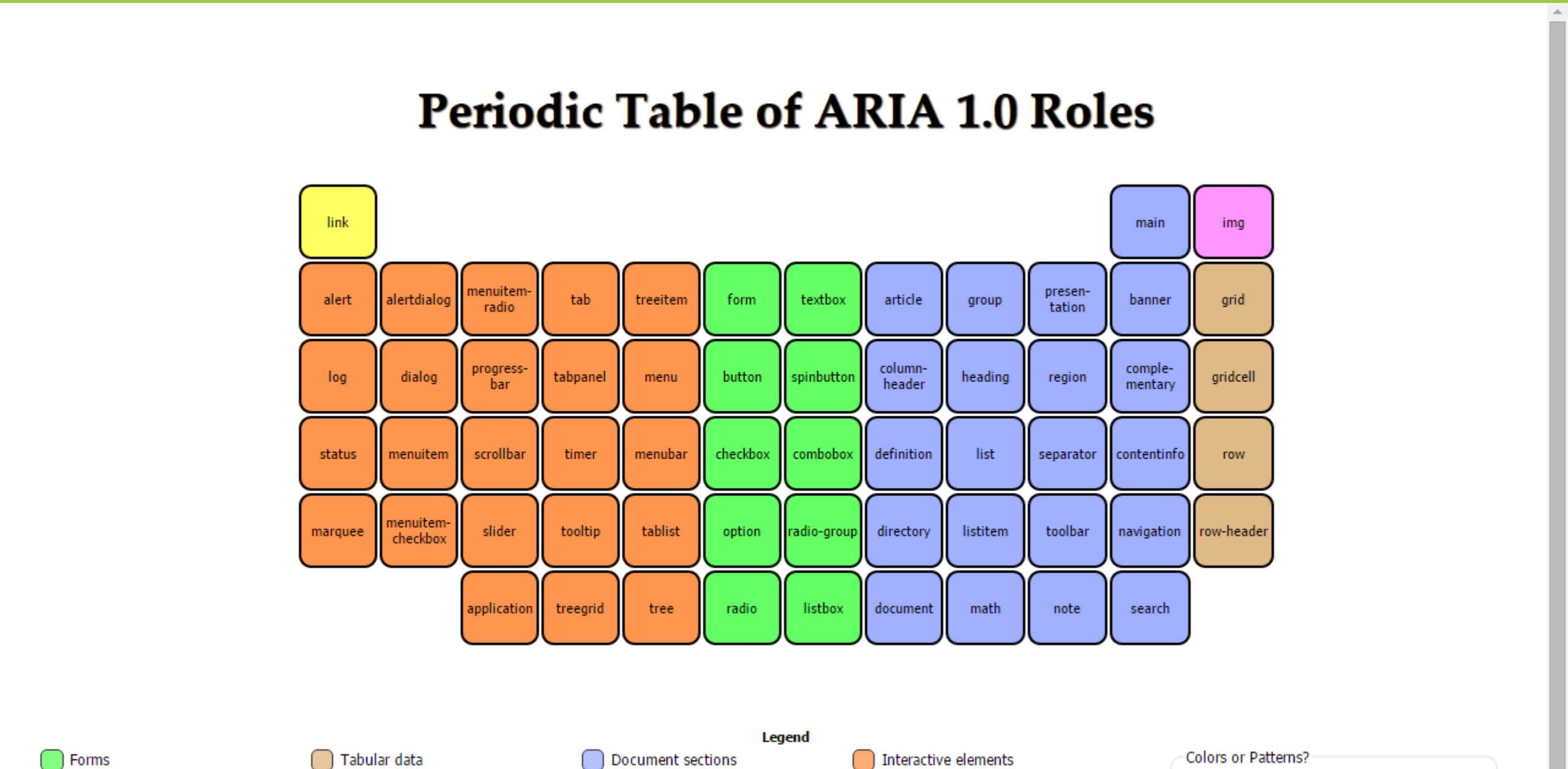

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- High level glance of existing roles
  - Forms
  - Document structure
  - Tabular data
  - Interactive elements

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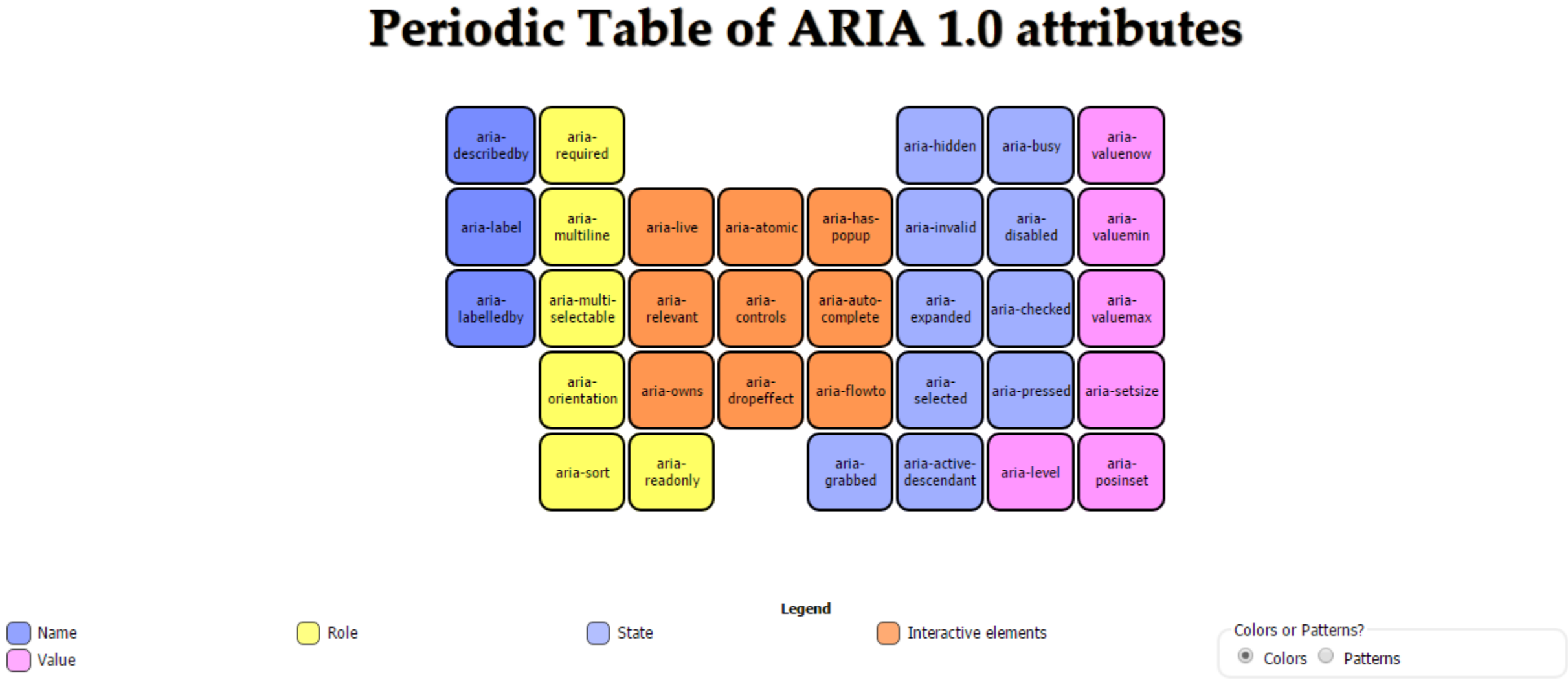

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- High level view of ARIA attributes
  - Name
  - Value
  - State

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These Are Just a Few

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It's a Wrap

It's the right thing to do

It's not only about blind people

It's good for everyone and it's good for business too

It doesn't cost extra money

It doesn't take a bunch of crazy voodoo

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It's a Wrap

We need to get everyone on board

We need to set project goals and plan up front

We need to consider users with a wide range of abilities and technology

We need to use proper semantic HTML

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It's a Wrap

We need to structure our content in a logical order

We need to add information when building rich, dynamic web applications

We need to focus on accessibility just as we focus on everything else

We need to test

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It's a Wrap

A little empathy goes a long way

There's no such thing as 100% accessible

Accessibility affects all aspects of good design and development

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Focus on Accessibility

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And You'll Be Better Indeed!

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