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CSS Basics

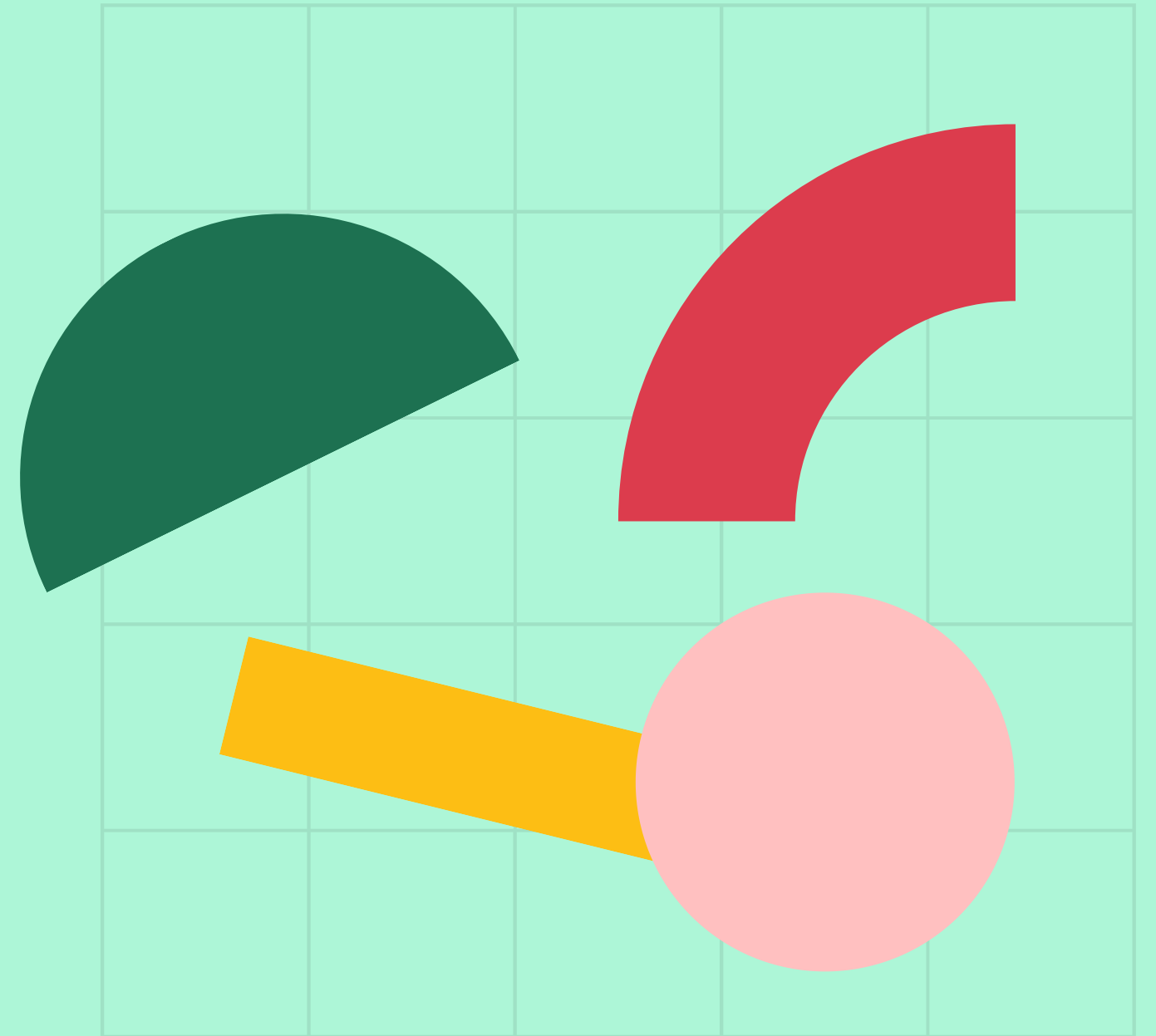
Course for Beginners



Unit Goals

what we'll cover

- CSS rules
- including styles
- CSS colors
- CSS text properties





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CSS

WHAT IS IT?

CSS is a language for describing how documents are presented visually – how they are arranged and styled.

WHAT DOES IT STAND FOR?

CSS stands for Cascading Style Sheets. We'll cover the "cascadinig" part in a bit, coming soon!

THERE'S A LOT!

CSS is very easy to get the hang of, but it can be intimidating because of how many properties we can manipulate.



CSS RULES

(almost everything) done in CSS follows this basic pattern:

```
selector{  
  property: value;  
}
```



CSS RULES

Make all <h1> elements purple:

```
h1 {  
  color: purple;  
}
```



CSS RULES

Make all image elements 100 pixels wide & 200 pixels tall:

```
img {  
  width: 100px;  
  height: 200px;  
}
```




FANCIER!

Select every other text input and give it a red border:

```
input[type="text"]:nth-of-type(2n){  
  border: 2px solid red  
}
```

<input type="text" value="email"/>	<input type="text" value="username"/>	<input type="text" value="city"/>	<input type="text" value="zipcode"/>
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SO MANY CSS BORDER PROPERTIES!

border border-block border-block-color border-block-end border-block-end-color border-block-end-style border-block-end-width border-block-start border-block-start-color border-block-start-style border-block-start-width border-block-style border-blockwidth border-bottom border-bottom-color border-bottom-left-radius border-bottom-right-radius border-bottom-style border-bottomwidth border-collapse border-color border-end-end-radius border-end-start-radius border-image border-image-outset border-image-repeat border-image-slice border-image-source border-image-width border-inline border-inline-color border-inline-end border-inline-end-color border-inline-end-style border-inline-end-width border-inline-start border-inline-start-color border-inline-start-style border-inline-start-width border-inline-style border-inline-width border-left border-left-color border-left-style border-left-width border-radius border-right border-right-color border-right-style border-right-width border-spacing border-start-end-radius border-start-start-radius border-style border-top border-top-color border-top-left-radius border-top-right-radius border-top-style border-top-width border-width

NAMED COLORS



INLINE STYLES

You can write your styles directly inline on each element, but this is **NOT A GOOD IDEA** most of the time.

THE `<style>` ELEMENT

You can write your styles inside of a `<style>` element. This is easy, but it makes it impossible to share styles between documents.

Not recommended either.

EXTERNAL STYLESHEET

Write your styles in a .css file and then include using a `<link>` in the head of your html document. **Recommended!**



<link>

```
● ● ●  
  
<head>  
  <title>Forms Demo</title>  
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="my_styles.css">  
</head>
```




RELAX

We search for what we want
online whenever we need it!
;)





CSS COLORS



NAMED COLORS:



hotpink

mediumaquamarine

gold

lightskyblue

mediumorchid

firebrick

tomato

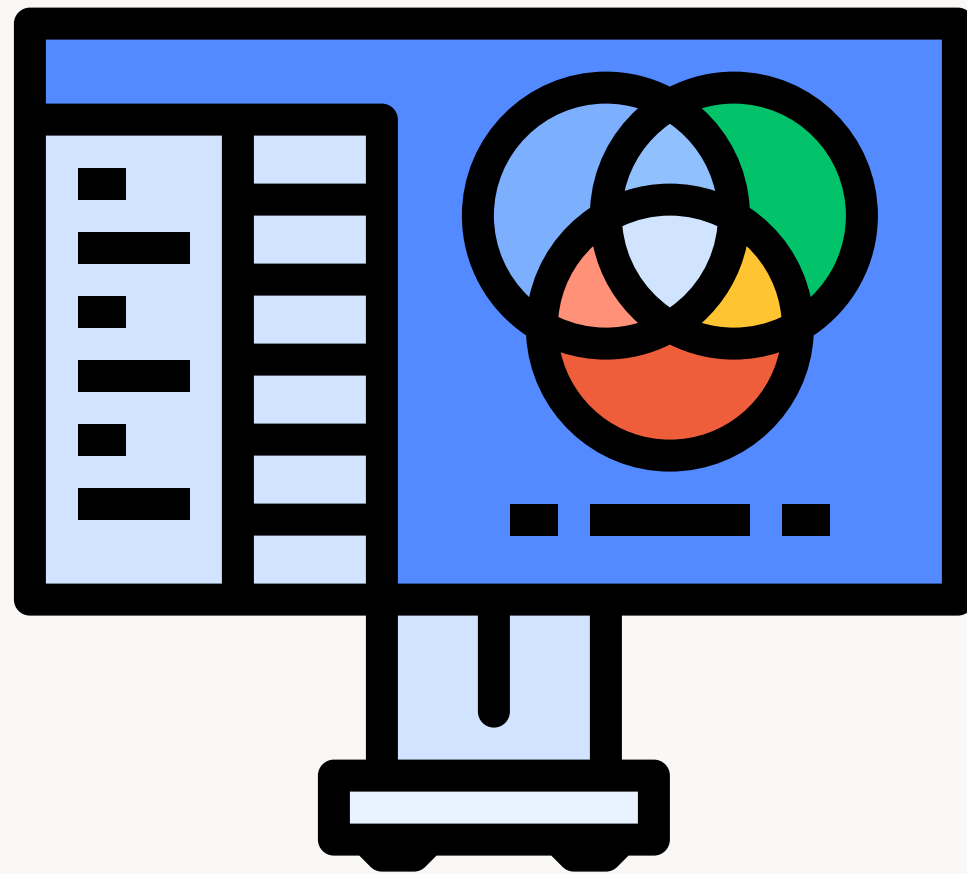
darkkhaki



A typical computer can display
~16,000,000
different colors



RGB



- red, green and blue channels
- each channel ranges from 0-255



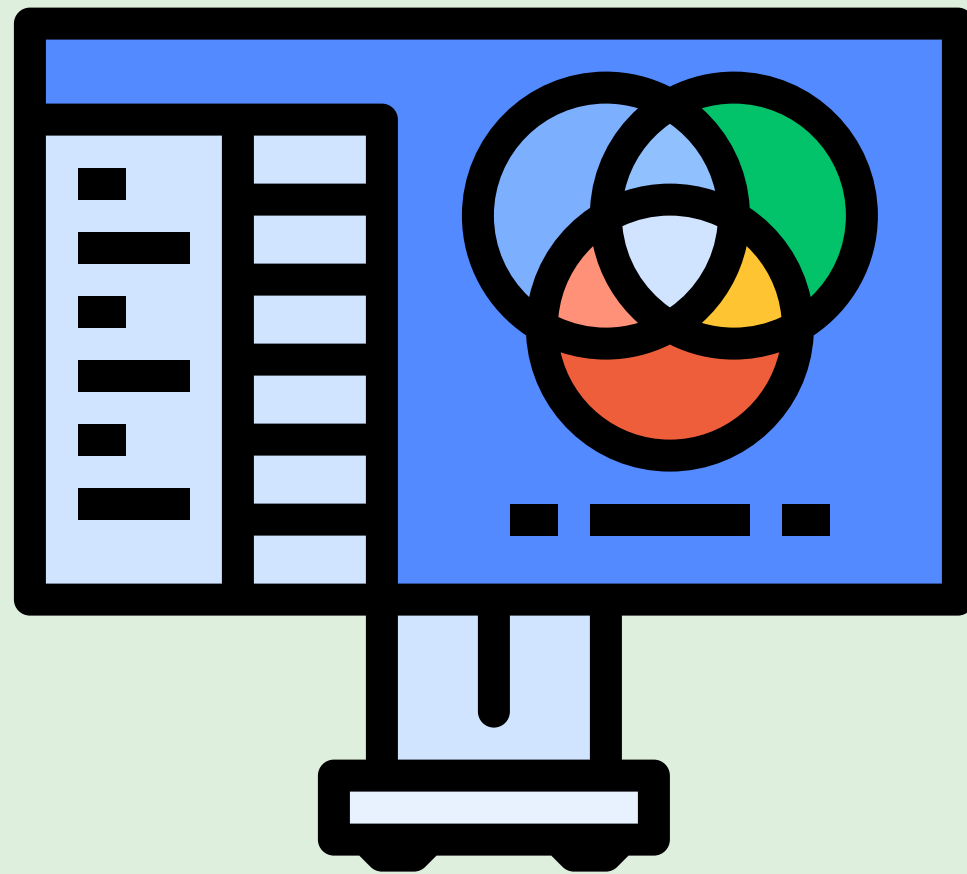
rgb(255,0,0)

rgb(0,0,255)

rgb(173,20,219)

rgb(0,0,0)

HEX



- still red, green and blue channels
- each channel ranges from 0–255
BUT represented with
hexadecimal

decimal



0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

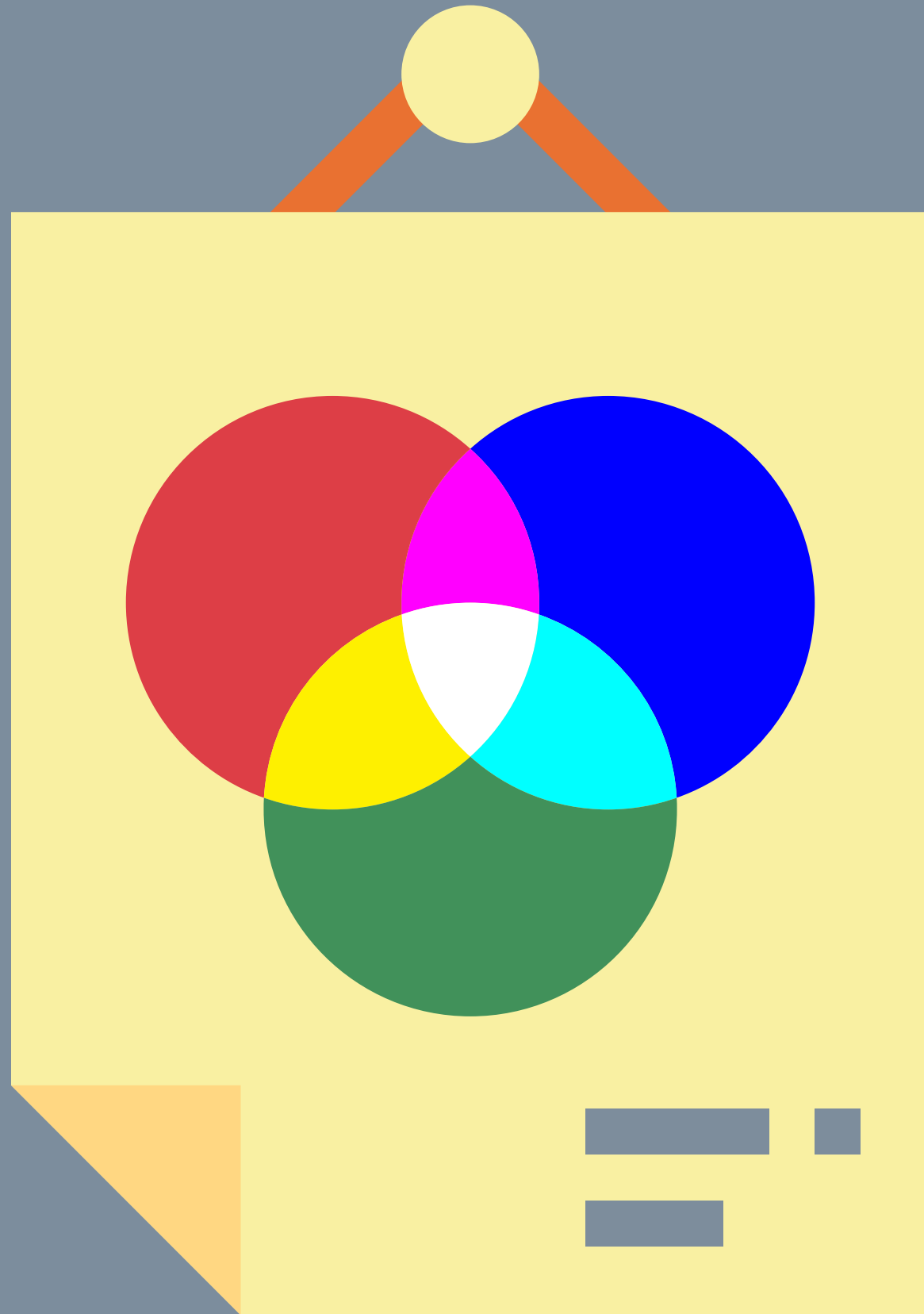
hexadecimal

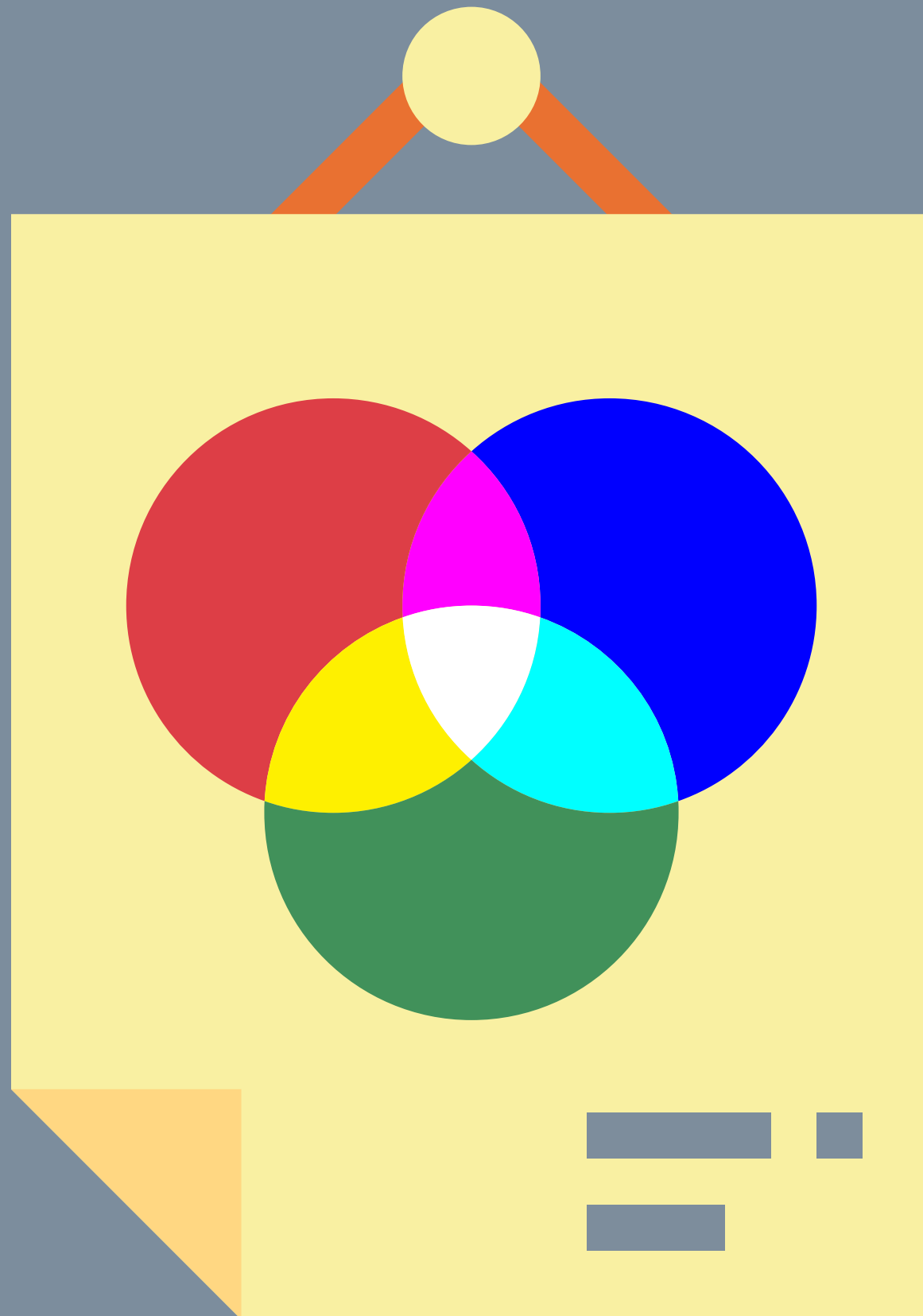


0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,
A, B, C, D, E, F



#ffffff00





#ffff00

red green blue

CSS Text Properties



text-align

font-weight

text-decoration

line-height

letter-spacing

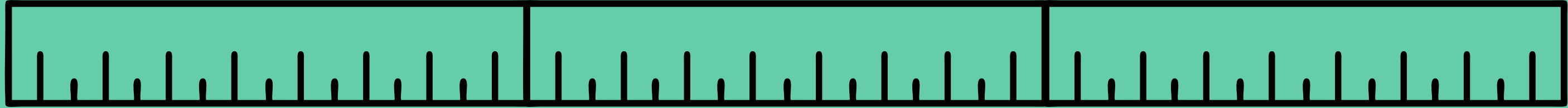
FONT FAMILY



AA



FONT SIZE



Relative

- EM
- REM
- VH
- VW
- %

and more!

Absolute

- PX
- PT
- CM
- IN
- MM



Absolute Units

PX – by far the most commonly used absolute unit

1px does not necessarily equal the width of exactly one pixel!

Not recommended for responsive websites.



Relative Units

EM

With font-size, 1em equals the font-size of the parent. 2em's is twice the font-size of the parent etc.

With other properties, 1em is equal to the computed font-size of the element itself.



Relative Units

REM

Root ems are relative to the **root html element's** font-size. Often easier to work with.

If the root font-size is 20px, 1rem is always 20px, 2rem is always 40px etc.