



## **Flexbox**

Layout and structure

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# **Using Flex**



#### What is Flexbox



- A web layout model
- Consists of responsive elements (Flex boxes) within a container
- Elements can be ordered and arranged in various ways (spacing, alignment)
- Elements can grow and shrink based on container size
- Content can flow in various directions, e.g. left, right, up, down



#### Float vs Flexbox



## Float

- Complex
- o Requires the use of float, margin, width and clear to work properly
- Works on all browsers, even very old ones

## Flexbox

- Easy and intuitive
- Can do a lot more than float
- Works on all modern browsers



#### Flexbox in a nutshell



- Container and elements
  - Flex boxes appear within a container
  - Flex determines the layout which is easily responsive
- Direction and wrap
  - o In what sequence elements appear
  - What happens when space runs out
- Justify and align
  - Spacing between elements on the main axis
  - Alignment of elements with respect to each other
- Grow, shrink, basis
  - How elements grow or shrink based on the changing space of the container

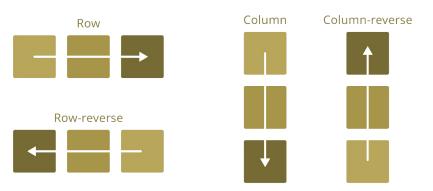


## **Direction and wrap**



In what sequence the elements appear and what happens when space runs out

The order of the items can also be customized with the order property



flex-direction
flex-wrap
flex-flow
the order property



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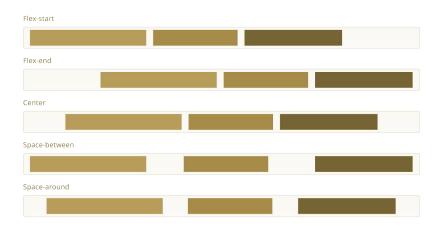
## Your turn



## Justify and align



Spacing between elements on the main axis and alignment of elements with respect to each other



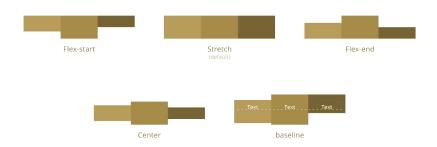
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Aligning Items in a Flex Container



## Justify and align



Spacing between elements on the main axis and alignment of elements with respect to each other



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## **Grow, shrink, basis**



How elements grow or shrink based on the changing space of the container



flex-grow determines if the element can take up
additional space or not

flex-shrink
how much an element is allowed to shrink

flex-basis sets the default size of a node along
the main axis

flex shorthand for grow, shrink, basis
e.g. flex: 1 0 200px;



## **Chrome dev tools**



Chrome devtools support flexbox and have a friendly UI for editing flex properties

flex-direction: row 그 의 flex-wrap: nowrap 000 000 align-content: normal justify-content: center align-items: center px;

Flexbox debugging In DevTools



#### 1.Presentation



Study all the links in references and use them to create a short presentation

- Presentation should be 10-15 slides
- Explain in detail how flexbox works
- Include your own code in the presentation
- Show at least 10 different code examples
- Include references to sites that have interesting usages of flex
- Include your html and css files in the delivery





## **Bonus**



## 2.Flex games



Complete all levels of the following flex games for learning CSS flexbox

Flexbox Froggy

Flexbox Defense

Submit an .md file with the answer for each level



#### 3.To flex or not to flex



Read the included article from The Blog of Karen Menezes
It's an old article but still contains some useful hints on when to use Flex and when to use basic CSS properties.



#### References



A Complete Guide to Flexbox

Basic concepts of flexbox

CSS Flexbox Container

<u>Flexbox</u>

Even more about how Flexbox works (animated examples)

**Build with Flexbox (nice playground)** 



## References



<u>Solved by Flexbox — Cleaner, hack-free CSS</u>

Flexbox Patterns

Flexbox debugging In DevTools

