



# Forms and Their Styling

Lesson 6



# Lesson plan

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HTML Form Elements

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Other Interactive Tags

## Registration

Full Name  
E.g. John Smith

Username  
johnWC98

Email  
johnsmith@hotmail.com

Phone Number  
012-345-6789

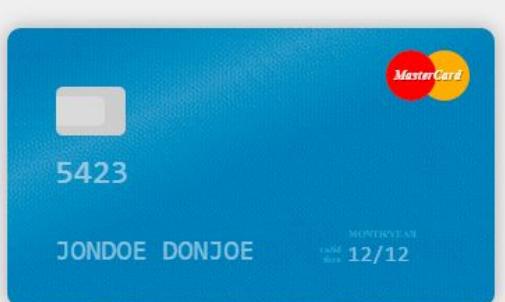
Password  
\*\*\*\*\*

Confirm Password  
\*\*\*\*\*

### Gender

Male     Female     Prefer not to say

Register



Start typing in here to take over and try it out

5423      Jondoe Donjoe

12 / 12

121

Submit

## Send us a Message

CodingNepal

Enter your phone

Write your message

Enter your email

Enter your website

Send Message

Sending your message...

## Price Range

Use slider or enter min and max price

Min  - Max



## Subscribe to the newsletter

Subscribe

## INGREDIENTS

Beef

Pork

Chicken

Vegetables

### Start Date

04-05-2020

### End Date

22-05-2020

May 2020

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
18	26	27	28	29	30	1
19	3	4	5	6	7	8
20	10	11	12	13	14	15
21	17	18	19	20	21	22
22	24	25	26	27	28	29
23	31	1	2	3	4	5

Clear

## NUTRITION

3

Gluten Free

Your email address:

test@example.org

Interactive form demo

**Test message \***

Optional files

Browse...

No files selected.

Send to me

Demo source code

```
<!-- source HTML for the demo -->
<form
  action="https://api.mailslurp.com/forms"
  method="post"
  enctype="multipart/form-data">

  <!-- destination specified with hidden '_to' field -->
  <input
    name="_to"
    type="hidden"
    value="test@example.org">

  <!-- use any named inputs, selects, textareas etc -->
  <label>Test message</label>
  <textarea name="message"></textarea>

  <!-- files will be sent as attachments -->
  <label>Optional files</label>
  <input multiple name="files" type="file">

  <button type="submit">Send to me</button>

</form>
```

# <form> Attributes



**action** – The URL where the form data will be sent

**method** – The HTTP method used for sending form data

**GET** – Used to retrieve data

**POST** – Used to send data, especially sensitive information

```
<form action="submit.php" method="post">
```

# <input>



- Used to create interactive form controls for user data input.
- The default type is **text**
- One of the most powerful and complex HTML elements due to the vast number of input types and attributes.

## <input type="text">



# input attributes

- customize `<input>`

- These attributes add features and behaviors to the `<input>` elements.
- Attribute examples include `size`, `value`, `maxlength`, `required`, and many more.

```
<input  
    type="text"  
    name="bro"  
    required  
    minlength="2"  
    maxlength="8"  
/>
```

# input types

Why is it important to use the proper type?

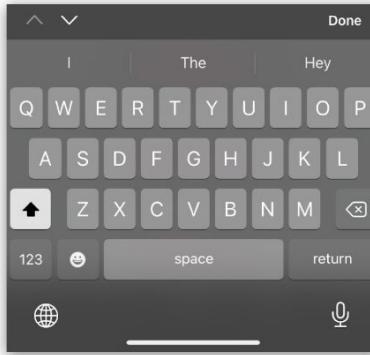
- User Experience
- Validation
- Accessibility
- Styling and Behavior
- Improved Semantics

<input type="button">	Button
<input type="checkbox">	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="color">	<input type="color"/>
<input type="date">	dd-mm-yyyy 
<input type="email">	farazc60@gmail.com
<input type="file">	Choose File <input type="file"/> No file chosen
<input type="hidden">	
<input type="image">	
<input type="number">	5 
<input type="password">	*****
<input type="radio">	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
<input type="range">	<input type="range"/>
<input type="reset">	Reset
<input type="submit">	Submit
<input type="text">	codewithfaraz
<input type="url">	<a href="https://www.codewithfaraz.com">https://www.codewithfaraz.com</a>

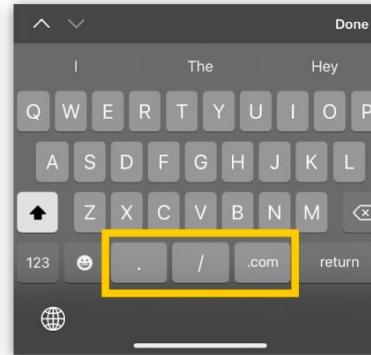
# <input inputmode="..">



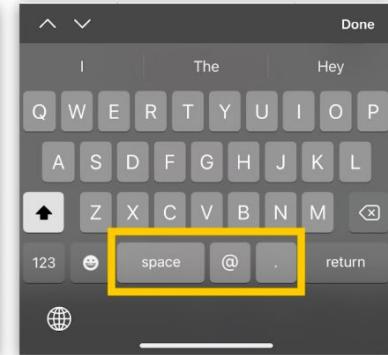
"none"



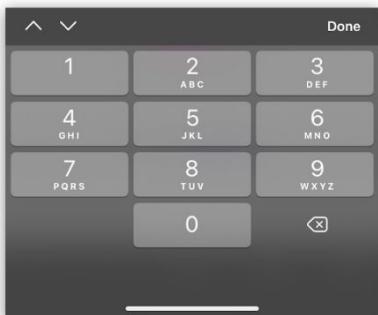
"text"



"url"



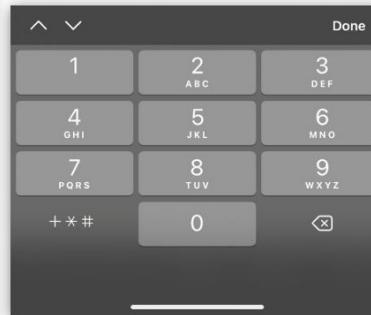
"email"



"numeric"



"search"



"tel"



"decimal"

# label

- description for a form element

- linked using the **id** attribute
- clicking on the **label** focuses on the associated form element
- ! every form element should have a corresponding label
- can be used for styling elements that are otherwise difficult to style

```
<input type="radio" name="fruit" value="apple" id="apple">  
<label for="apple"> Apple </label>
```

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```
<label>  
  Apple  
  <input type="radio" name="fruit" value="apple">  
</label>
```



# Checkbox Usage Rules

- used to let a user select **one or more** options of a limited number of choices.

```
<input type="checkbox" name="vegetables" value="tomato"  
class="input-checkbox" id="checkbox-tomato">
```

Required Attributes:

**name** – Should be the same for all checkboxes in a group



**Tomato**



**Onion**

Optional:

**value** – Must be unique for each checkbox in a group



**Lettuce**



**Capcicum**

# Radio Button Usage Rules

- used to let a user select **one** option of a limited number of choices.

```
<input type="radio" name="vegetables" value="onion" class="radio visually-hidden" id="vegetables-onion">
```

Required Attributes:

**name** – Should be the same for all radio buttons in a group

**value** – Must be unique for each radio button



# textarea

- Allows multi-line text input
- By default, it is resizable. This can be disabled using CSS



# textarea

## Attributes:

**cols** – specifies the width of the textarea in terms of the number of text columns

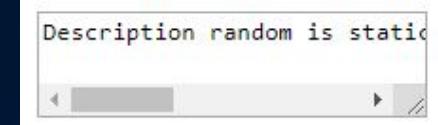
**rows** – specifies the number of text lines it can display at a time (height)

*instead of using this attributes, you might set the width and height in your CSS*

if you want to prevent users from resizing:

```
textarea {  
    resize: none;  
}
```

```
<div class="form-row">  
    <textarea name="basic-textarea" id="basic-textarea"  
        class="form-control" cols="30" rows="10"></textarea>  
    <label for="basic-textarea">Basic Textarea</label>  
</div>
```



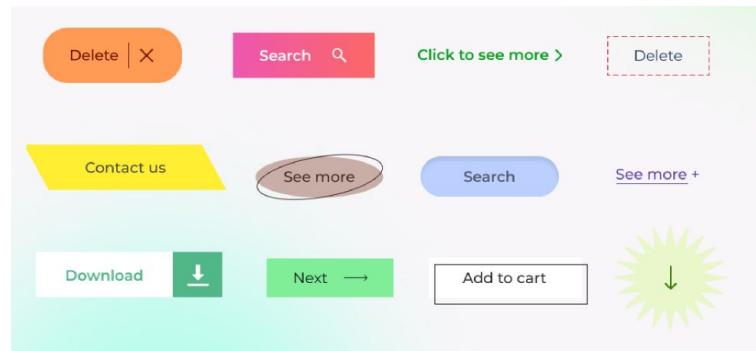
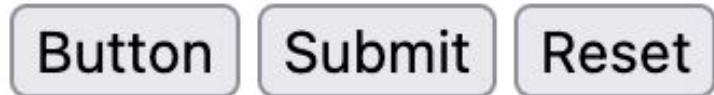
# button

**button** – A generic button for any action

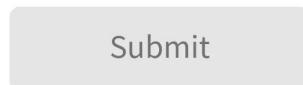
**submit** – Submits the form data to the server

**reset** – Resets the form data to its initial state

The **disabled** attribute can be used to prevent the form from being submitted



Button Enabled



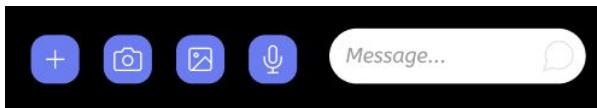
Button Disabled

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What is your rate?

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Please share your opinion  
about the product



Drop Us A Message

Name Email Address

Write Us A Message

Send

Captcha: N H T T 1 8 7

Reset Enter Captcha

Sign Up Sign In

Email

Username

Password

SIGN UP

Form

Pizza  Pasta

Cookies

I love chocolate

Submit Reset form

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Pause Start Reset

Enter your mail

Subscribe

# form validation

- Validates form data according to specific rules

- Methods for validation include:

- **html** →
- **js**

1. Use the appropriate **input type**
2. Add the **required** attribute where necessary
3. Use the **pattern** attribute for custom validation rules
4. Style inputs and validation messages using pseudo-classes like **:invalid**, **:valid**

A screenshot of a web form with several validation errors:

- The "test" input field is empty and has a light gray background.
- The "Last name" input field is empty and has a light blue background.
- The "Email" input field contains "test@test.com" and has a yellow background. A red validation message bubble says "Please fill out this field."
- The "Password" input field contains "....." and has a light gray background.
- The "Email" input field has a red validation message bubble that says "An account has already been registered with this email. [Log in](#) to your account."
- A green "Sign Up" button is at the bottom.

A screenshot of a "Sign Up" form with validation errors:

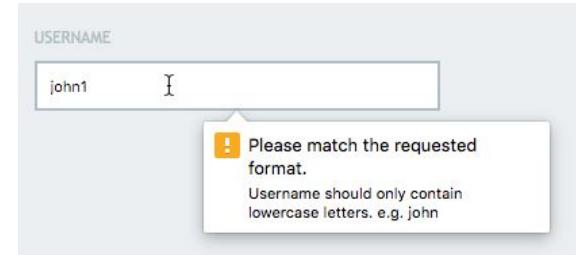
- The "Username" input field contains "js" and has a red border. A red validation message below it says "Username must be between 3 and 25 characters."
- The "Email" input field contains "hello@example.com" and has a green border.
- The "Password" input field is empty and has a red border. A red validation message to its right says "Password must has at least 8 characters that include at least 1 lowercase character, 1 uppercase characters, 1 number, and 1 special character in (!@#\$%^&\*)".
- The "Confirm Password" input field is empty and has a red border. A red validation message below it says "Please enter the password again".
- A large blue "SIGN UP" button is at the bottom.

# input attribute pattern

- helps ensure data is entered in the correct format
- provides a prompt or error message if the data doesn't match the pattern
- ask ChatGPT to help you create the right pattern

**pattern=" [A-Za-z]{5}"**

This pattern requires 5 characters, allowing both uppercase and lowercase Latin letters.



phone +38 (\_\_\_) \_\_\_ - \_\_\_

phone +1 (111)11-111-111|

phone +44 (\_\_\_) \_\_\_ - \_\_\_

phone +7(\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_

```
<input type="email" pattern=" [a-zA-Z0-9._%+-]+@[a-zA-Z0-9.-]+\.[a-zA-Z]{2,}\$">
```

# appearance

**appearance: none** – resets the appearance of an element to a consistent style across all browsers and operating systems

**appearance other than none** – used to apply specific styles to elements that do not have those styles by default

**appearance: searchfield;**

The default styling applied by the browser:

**appearance: auto;**

search:

text:

date:  dd.mm.yyyy, --:--

radio:

checkbox:

search:

text:

date:  dd.mm.yyyy, --:--

radio:

checkbox:

# User interface **pseudo-class** selectors

- **:disabled** – element that is disabled (using the `disabled` attribute)

Default

A screenshot of a web form input field. The label above it says "Label here \*". The input field itself contains the placeholder text "Form text here".

- **:enabled** – elements that do not have the `disabled` attribute

Disabled

A screenshot of a web form input field. The label above it says "Label here \*". The input field itself contains the placeholder text "Form text here".

- **:default** – the element that is the `default` among a group of similar elements

# User interface **pseudo-class** selectors

- **:checked** – radio or checkbox elements that have the **checked** attribute or have been **selected by the user**

demo

- **:indeterminate** – radio or checkbox elements that are in an intermediate state, **without** the checked attribute or **not selected by the user**

demo

Indeterminate Checkboxes

	Superheroes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Captain Marvel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thor
<input type="checkbox"/>	Iron Man
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spider-Man

# User interface **pseudo-class** selectors

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- **:in-range** – highlights an element when the user's input falls within the specified range
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- **:out-of-range** – highlights an element when the user's input falls outside the specified range
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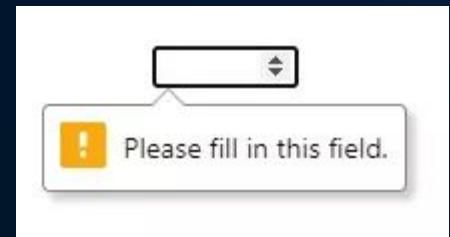
- **input:in-range { }**  
**<input min="1" max="10">**

# User interface **pseudo-class** selectors

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**:required** – targets elements that have the

- required attribute (indicating that the field is mandatory)
- 



● **:optional** – targets elements that do not have the required attribute

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# User interface **pseudo-class** selectors

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- **:read-only** – targets elements with the **readonly** attribute (indicating that the user cannot change the element's value)
  - **:read-write** – targets elements that **do not have** the **readonly** attribute
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## Read-Only Input

This can only be copied



# User interface **pseudo-class** selectors

- **:target** – applies styles to elements that are referenced by a fragment identifier (ID) in a URL.

```
<a href="#one">Link</a>  
<p id="one"> Target element </p>
```

```
p:target {  
    background-color: red;  
    color: white;  
}
```

Change 1st line.

testing the target selector

# User interface **pseudo-class** selectors

- **:valid** – highlights an element when the entered data meets the specified patterns
- **:invalid** – highlights an element when the entered data does not meet the specified patterns.

The image shows two rectangular boxes representing user interface elements. The left box is labeled "Valid" and the right box is labeled "Invalid". Both boxes contain a "Label \*" above an "Input text" field. In the "Valid" box, the input field has a thin gray border. In the "Invalid" box, the input field has a thick red border, indicating it is invalid.

# styling valid & invalid

Data entered correctly:

```
input:valid {border-color: green;}
```

valid

Data entered incorrectly:

```
input:invalid {border-color: red;}
```

input

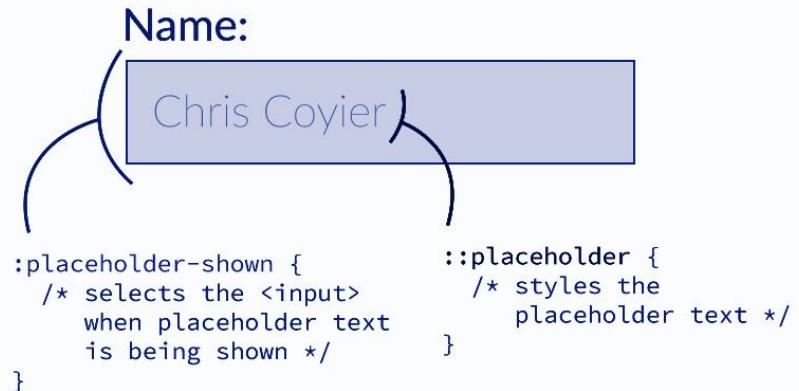
**Note:** This works even if the input is empty, because an empty value is also considered invalid.

## Pseudo-elements

**::placeholder** – Styles the placeholder text inside an **input** or **textarea**, when nothing is entered into it

## Pseudo-class

**:placeholder-shown** – represents any **input** or **textarea** element that is currently displaying placeholder text.



# styling valid & invalid

Considering whether data has been entered into the input:

```
input:invalid:not(:placeholder-shown) {border-color: red;}  
input:valid:not(:placeholder-shown) {border-color: green;}
```

This checks whether the placeholder is visible (it's not visible if data has been entered in the field)



# styling valid & invalid

Considering whether the input is focused:

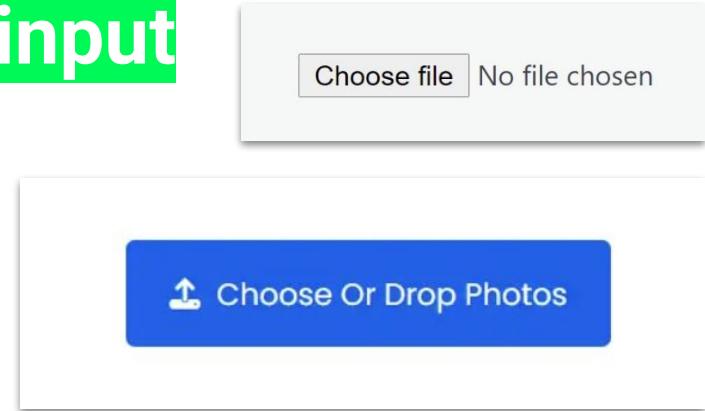
```
input:invalid:not( :placeholder-shown ) :not( :focus )  
{border-color: red}
```

This checks whether the placeholder is visible and whether the field is in focus. If the field is focused, the user might still be entering data, so it may be too early to validate.

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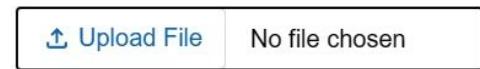
# styling file upload input

- Styled using pseudo-elements.
- Icons can be added using pseudo-element or by adding wrapper for input



**::file-selector-button** – Styles the button for `<input type="file">`

`input[type="file"]::file-selector-button {}`



`multiple` - attribute allows to add more than one file

`accept` - attribute allows to specify acceptable file types

<input type="checkbox"/>	Checks
<input type="radio"/>	Checked
<input disabled="disabled" type="radio"/>	Disabled
<input checked="" disabled="disabled" type="radio"/>	Checked + Disabled

<input type="checkbox"/>	Checks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Checked

<input disabled="disabled" type="checkbox"/>	Disabled
<input checked="" disabled="disabled" type="checkbox"/>	Checked + Disabled

Toggle button

Setting one



Setting two



Disabled off



Disabled on



<input>

# radio & checkbox

- radio and checkbox elements cannot be easily styled directly  
(though it is possible)
- Typically, the **input** element is hidden, and the associated **label** is styled instead
- Always consider the **checked** and **disabled** states for styling

```
<input type="checkbox" name="name1" value="value1">
<input type="checkbox" name="name2" value="value2" checked>
<input type="radio" name="name" value="value01">
<input type="radio" name="name" value="value02" checked>
```

# Styling Radio & Checkbox

```
<input type="radio" name="weight" value="weight0" class="radio visually-hidden" id="weight0">  
<label for="weight0">0%</label>
```

Styles for Unchecked Elements:

```
.radio:not( :checked) + label {}
```



Styles for Checked Elements:

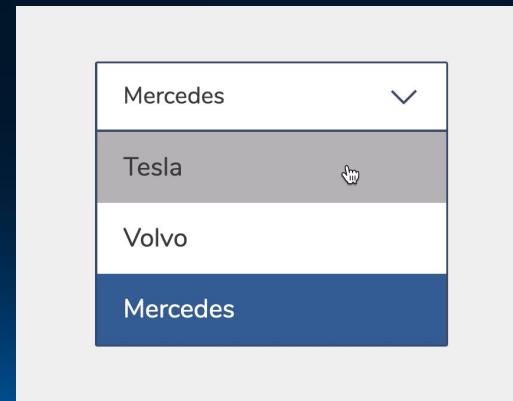
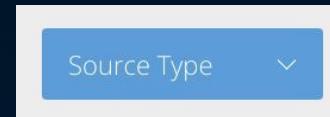
```
.radio:checked + label {}
```

# Accessible input hiding

```
<input type="radio" class="visually-hidden"> display: none;  
  
.visually-hidden {  
  clip-path: inset(50%);  
  height: 1px;  
  width: 1px;  
  position: absolute;  
  white-space: nowrap;  
  overflow: hidden;  
}  
  
  
```

# select

- Dropdown menu allowing the selection of one or multiple options
- The dropdown button can be partially styled
- The dropdown cannot be natively styled



# select

```
<select name="fruit">
  <option value="apple">Apple</option>
  <option value="orange">Orange</option>
  <option value="berry">Berry</option>
</select>
```

**option** – an element in a dropdown list

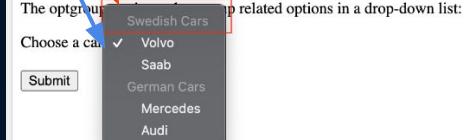
**value** – the value of the element that will be sent to the server; a required attribute

**optgroup** – an element used to group items in a dropdown list

**label** – an attribute that sets the title for a group (the title is not clickable)

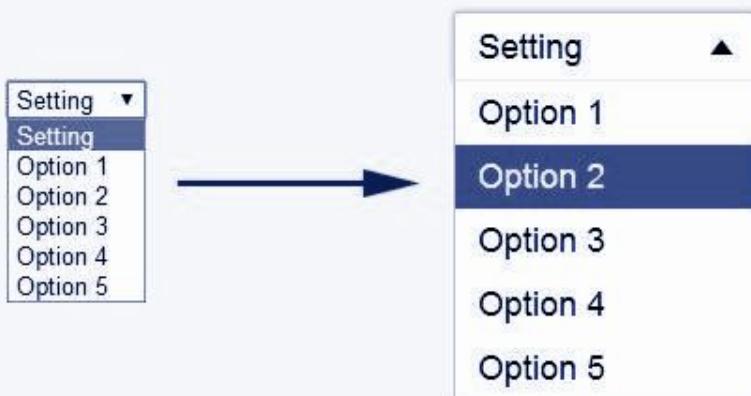
```
<form action="/action_page.php">
  <label for="cars">Choose a car:</label>
  <select name="cars" id="cars">
    <optgroup label="Swedish Cars">
      <option value="volvo">Volvo</option>
      <option value="saab">Saab</option>
    </optgroup>
    <optgroup label="German Cars">
      <option value="mercedes">Mercedes</option>
      <option value="audi">Audi</option>
    </optgroup>
  </select>
  <br><br>
  <input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>
```

## The optgroup element



# styling `select` [A]

## Using JavaScript libraries.



They create a separate element next to the `<select>` for styling purposes, while hiding the original `<select>` element.

When an option is selected, the choice is passed to the hidden `<select>`, which is then submitted with the form.

For example, [jQuery Nice Select](#).

[demo](#)

# Grouping Elements

- **<fieldset>** – Groups related elements within a form
- **<legend>** – A caption for the fieldset
  - The caption is offset upwards, which can make it difficult to align with other elements
  - It does not respond to **flex** layout properties applied to the **fieldset**

The diagram illustrates a portion of an HTML form. At the top, there is a **fieldset** element with a blue border. Inside the **fieldset**, there are two input fields: one for "Input text" and another for "Login Id". Below these is a "Password:" label followed by an empty input field. A blue arrow points from the first bullet point in the list to the **fieldset**. To the right of the **fieldset** is a legend with the text "Employee Designation" and a small downward arrow. Below the legend is a list of four checkbox options:

- Software Engineer
- Data Analyst
- Web Developer
- Senior Analyst

At the bottom of the **fieldset** are two buttons: "press" and "Reset".

# Funkasic



## EVENT Registration

Friday 15th & Saturday 16th February @ 8pm

**YOUR DETAILS**

Name	Country
Phone	State
Email	Mem No.

**TICKETS**

Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Fri	<input type="checkbox"/> Sat	Delivery	<input type="checkbox"/> Email	<input type="checkbox"/> Collect
Quantity	<input type="text"/>				
Promotional Code <input type="text"/>					

**Deadline for Registration is Friday 4th January**

eTickets will be issued to your email address two weeks before the event.  
Gates will open three hours before the event gets started.  
Please remember to bring identification if collecting your ticket from our events desk.

**LET'S GET THIS PARTY STARTED**



**SUBMIT**

### User settings

Lore ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur.

**Personal info**

First Name	Last Name
Country <input type="text"/>	

**Notifications**

Weekly reports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pull requests	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Deployment triggers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Security**

Run security check upon log in	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Less	<input type="range"/>	More

**Tell us about your home.**

**Address** YOUR INFORMATION IS PRIVATE

Address	
Enter an address	
Address 2	
Apt Number	
City	State
City	State
Zip Code	Zip Code

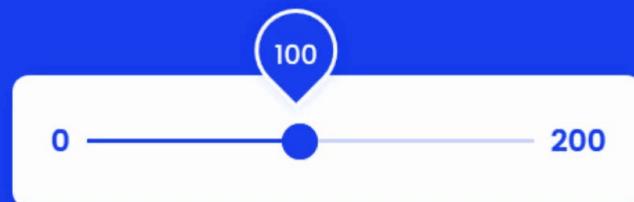
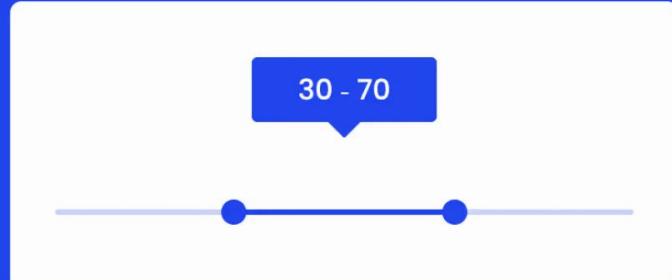
**Bed & Bath** WHAT IS YOUR HOME LIKE?

Home Type	Room Type
House	Entire home/apt
Bedrooms	Bathrooms
1 Bedroom	1 Bathroom
King	Queen
0	0
Full	Twin
0	0

# input range

- Has a single slider
- Difficult to style
- usually requires a plugin for more complex controls

For styling, consider using a JS plugin like [A1RangeSlider](#).



# input range in HTML

```
<div class="range">
    <button class="range-button is-min"></button>
    <button class="range-button is-max"></button>
    <div class="range-line"></div>
    <div class="range-line is-selected"></div>
    <div class="range-container">
        <div class="range-min"> Min
            <input type="number">
        </div>
        <div class="range-max"> Max
            <input type="number">
        </div>
    </div>
</div>
```

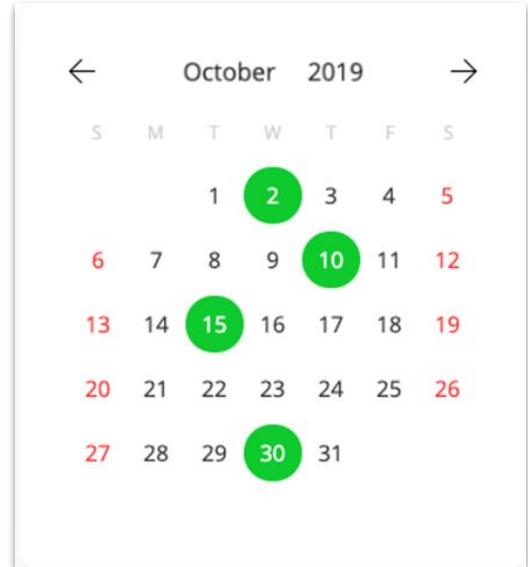
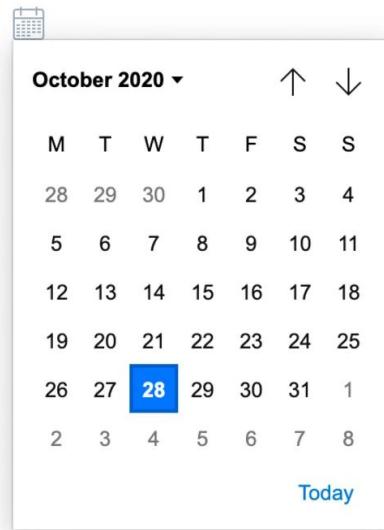
A horizontal slider input with two blue circular handles at positions 300 and 700. Below the slider are two input fields labeled "Min" and "Max" with values "300" and "700" respectively.

# styling datepicker

```
<input type="date">
```

- Cannot be styled natively.

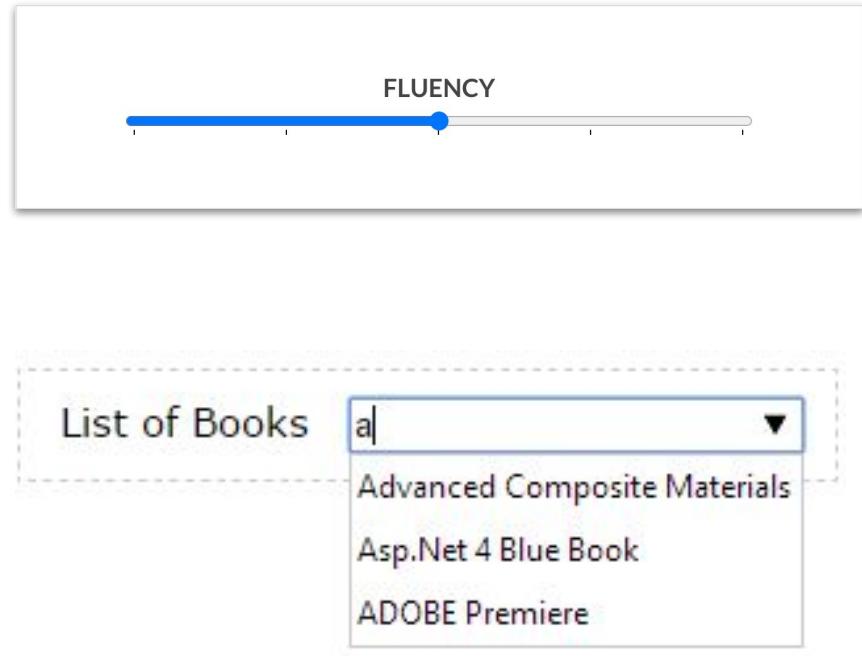
- Use JS plugins like [Air datepicker](#) for custom styling



# datalist

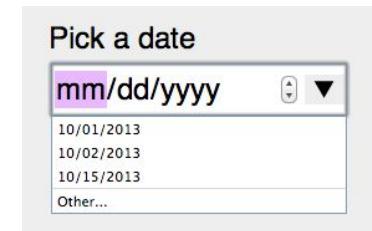
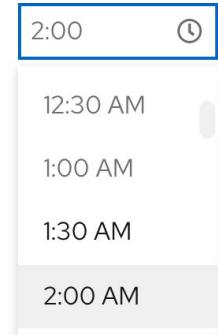
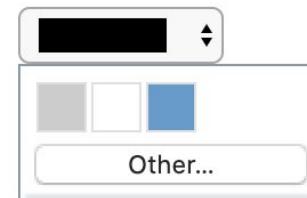
- Provides a list of options for an **input** element.
- You can select an option from the list instead of entering it manually
- Works with specific input types such as:

**text, search, range, color, number, date, time, tel, email**



# datalist

```
<input list="options" name="input_name">  
<datalist id="options">  
  <option value="option 1">  
  <option value="option 2">  
  <option value="option 3">  
</datalist>
```



# progress



– displays the progress of long-running processes.

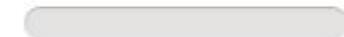
- Progress of filling out a registration form.
- Task completion progress.
- Progress of uploading a large file.
- Progress of course completion in online learning.
- Game progress as levels are completed.



# progress

```
<label for="progress-bar">Downloading</label>
<progress
  id="progress-bar"
  value="57"
  max="100"
  title="percentage">
</progress>
```

Progress Bar - 0%



Progress Bar - 100%



Progress Bar - 57%



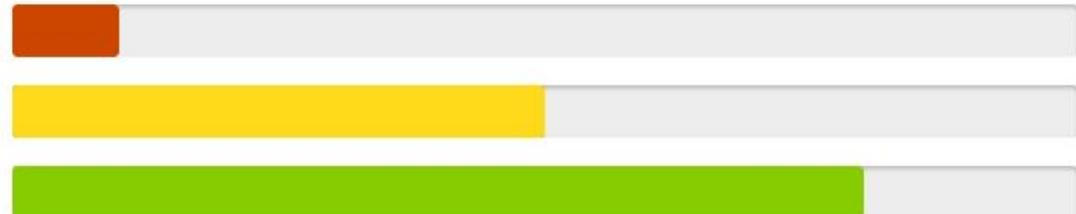
**max** – the maximum value (a number greater than 0)

**value** – the current value (a number between 0 and **max**)

# meter

– displays a scalar measurement within a known range

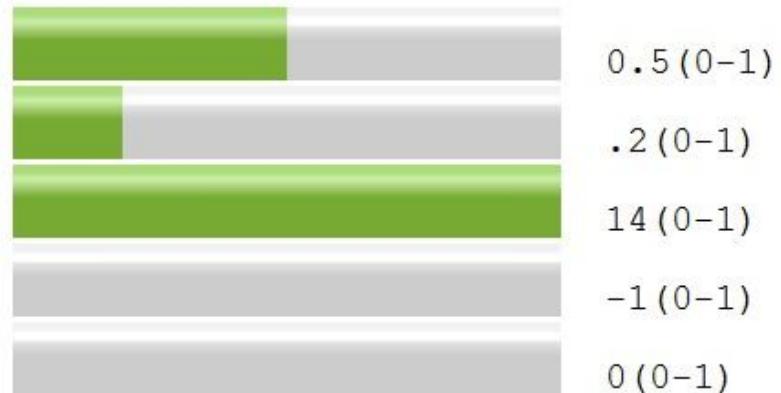
- Password strength
- Battery level
- Sound volume



# meter

```
<label for="vote"></label>  
<meter  
    id='vote'  
    value='75'  
    min='0'  
    max='100'>  
</meter>
```

**value** – current value on the scale  
**min** – minimum value  
**max** – maximum value  
**low** – lower threshold value  
**high** – upper threshold value  
**optimum** – optimal threshold value



# styling progress

```
progress {  
    appearance: none;  
}
```

```
progress::-webkit-progress-bar {  
    background-color: grey;  
}
```

```
progress::-webkit-progress-value {  
    background-color: green;  
}
```



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# meter

```
meter {  
    appearance: none;  
}  
  
meter::-webkit-meter-bar {  
    background: none;  
    /* Required to get rid of the default background property */  
    background-color: grey;  
}  
  
meter::-webkit-meter-optimum-value {  
    background-color: green;  
}
```

Safari



Chrome



Firefox



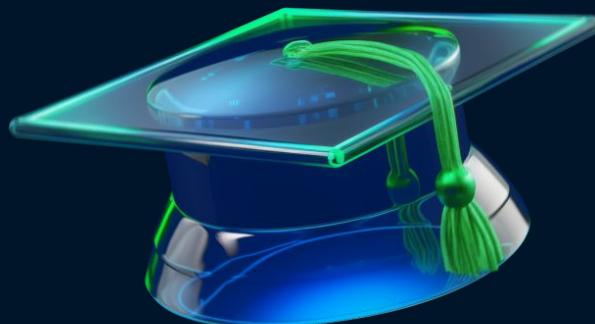
# Quality Criteria for HTML Course

- ❤️ Mandatory for passing the course
- 💛 Required for the highest grade
- 💚 Optional

- 1.19. Each form element should have a <label>.
- 1.20. Resizing <textarea> should not break the layout.
- 1.21. Basic HTML form validation should be implemented.

# Summary

1. The importance of forms on websites.
2. Components of forms.
3. How to solve styling issues with form elements.
4. How to validate form data.
5. Interactive tags outside of forms.



# Homework

1. Complete the Lesson about forms elements
2. Markup and Style Forms in Binabox:
  - Specify Button Types
  - Validate Your Forms



**QUESTIONS?**



**Please fill out the feedback form**  
**It's very important for us**



**THANK YOU!**  
**Have a good evening!**