



Styling Native Dialogues

In the [dialogues in the web](#) we saw how to create native dialogues using HTML and Javascript. This post will look at how to style the dialogues and the parent element.

Styling the dialogue element

The first item to style is the dialog element itself.

In this example we set the width of the modal dialogue to 50ch and a 1em padding.

We can add more styles as necessary.

```
.modal {  
  padding: 1em;  
  max-width: 50ch;  
}
```

Styling the backdrop

The other CSS rule is the `::backdrop` pseudo-element.

The `::backdrop` CSS pseudo-element is a box the size of the viewport which is rendered immediately beneath the dialogue element being presented.

In this example, we darken the backdrop using an rgba color for the background color of the background element.

```
.modal::backdrop {  
  background: rgba(0 0 0 / 0.8);  
}
```