

1. What are CSS Pseudo-classes and Pseudo-elements?

- a. Pseudo-classes - a keyword added to a selector that specifies a special state of the selected element.
  - It allows you to style elements based on their state, position, or user interactions without modifying the HTML directly.
  - Written in single colon ( : ).
- b. Pseudo-elements - allows you to style specific parts of an element or even add elements without modifying the HTML structure.
  - They are especially used for tasks like adding decorative or content-related styles to elements.
  - These are written with double colons ( : : ).

2. Cite at least examples each (2 for pseudo-class, 2 for pseudo-elements) and present 1 instance of its application.

- a. Pseudo-classes
  - 1. `:hover` - Targets an element when the user hovers over it.
  - 2. `:nth-of-type(n)` - Selects elements of a specific type based on their order.
- b. Pseudo-elements
  - 1. `::before` - Inserts content before the content of an element.
  - 2. `::first-letter` - Targets the first letter of a block of text for styling.

c. Instance of Application

```
a:hover {  
  color: green; /* Changes the link color to green on hover */  
}  
  
p::first-letter {  
  font-size: 2em; /* Makes the first letter of the paragraph larger */  
  color: blue;  
}
```

-The `:hover` pseudo-class changes the link color to green when hovered.

- The `::first-letter` pseudo-element enlarges and changes the color of the first letter of the paragraph.

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