Making Websites for Beginners

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The dynamics and the user interface of the page

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>
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Tags and Elements

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Headings

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
  <body>
    <h1>Big heading</h1>
    <h2>Smaller</h2>
    <h3>Smaller</h3>
    <h4>Even smaller</h4>
    <h5>Smallller</h5>
    <h6>Smallest</h6>
  </body>
</html>
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Lists

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Try making your own simple page using

- •
- <h1>
- •
- •
- >

tags, following the process of the last example

Anchors and Attributes

 $\angle A href="https://multcolib.org">This is a link$

Create your own page that uses at least two links and test them to ensure they work

Cascading Style Sheets

What is CSS?

Cascading style sheets control the appearance of elements

CSS Entries

```
selector {
   property: value;
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}
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  <body>
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<html>
 <head>
   <style>
     #para {
        color: blue;
   </style>
 </head>
 <body>
   This is the text within our paragraph.
 </body>
</html>
```

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Exercise 4

Let's use CSS

- Right click the file "exer4.html"
- Fill in the style element within the <head> tags
- Turn the middle heading green

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
  <head>
    <style>
      fill this in
    </style>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1 id="heading1">First</h1>
    <h2 id="heading2">Second</h2>
    <h3 id="heading3">Third</h3>
  </body>
</html>
```

Selecting elements by ID

This is the text within our paragraph.

Selecting elements by class

```
.ourClass {
    color: red;
    width: 200px;
    font-weight: bold;
}
```

Selecting elements by class

```
Here's the
text in one paragraph.
There's going to be a fair
decent length of text here so we
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restriction causes the text to wrap around.
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Exercise 5

Open the file exer5.html and then add in CSS declarations to make both paragraphs have width: 200px and the first paragraph have a color of blue

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
 <head>
 </head>
 <body>
  This is a paragraph that has some text in it
  and, y'know, stuff and things
  This is the second paragraph by gum
 </body>
</html>
```

Selecting elements by type

```
p {
    font-size: large;
    background-color: green;
    color: blue;
    width: 200px;
}
```

Selecting elements by type

```
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 There's some text and things of that ilk.
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  beholden to no one but itself.
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```
combining type and class
p {
    font-size: large;
    background-color: green;
    color: blue;
    width: 200px;
}
p.rebel {
    width: 300px;
    background-color: white;
```

```
<h1 class="rebel">This time we also have a rebellious header.
which should be unchanged</h1>
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</div>
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Div and span

- Div and span are used to group related elements together
- But they don't have an appearance themselves

choosing children of an element

```
#divvy p{
  width: 200px;
  font-weight: bold;
}
```

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```
<div id="divvy">
   Here we're going to have some text 
   and a little more even, in a separate paragraph. 

     >ul>
        >but this shouldn't be effected by our code at all

  </div>
  Neither should anything in here, either
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Exercise 6

Using the following skeleton, found in exer6.html, add CSS declarations so that the first paragraph has *blue* text, the second paragraph has *red* text, and the third paragraph has *green* text.

```
<body>
  our first paragraph
  <div>
      our second paragraph
      <div>
            our third paragraph 
      </div>
  </body>
```

What is JavaScript?

JavaScript is a programming language that runs in the browser and provides the dynamics, the interaction in any web site

Evaluation of code

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Arithmetic

Numbers

- 1
- 0.5
- -20
- . . .

Operations

- +
- -
- *
- ..

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Variables

I have a friend, let's call her "Cassandra"...

Variables function both as storage containers and pronouns

Creating Variables

```
var nameOfVariable = initialValueInIt;
var numberOfToes = 10;
```

Assigning variables

```
var musicalsThatShouldExist = "The Walking Dead on Ice";
musicalsThatShouldExist = "Werner Herzog Sings The Blues";
```

Mini-exercise

Test yourself

Go to your console and try to

- create a variable
- change a variable

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Making Objects

```
var obj = {prop1 : 0, prop2 : 1};
var otherObject = {};
```

```
Type the following in your console

var obj = {prop1 : 0, prop2 : 1, prop3 : "thing"};
obj.prop1;
obj.prop2;
obj.prop3;
```

Type the following in your console

```
var obj = {};
obj.numberOfChickens = 2;
obj.numberOfChickens;
```

Functions

Functions in math

$$f(x) = x + 10$$

Functions

Functions in JavaScript

```
function f(x) {
    return x + 10;
}
```

Using functions

First example of a function, a function that writes data to the console

console.log

Example

Navigate to the file consoleExample.html and then check the console to see what happened

Example

```
<!doctype html>
<ht.ml>
  <head>
    <script>
      console.log("we're printing one message");
      console.log("and another message!");
    </script>
  </head>
  <body>
    Check your console!
  </body>
</html>
```

Multi-argument functions

```
function moreFun (anArgument, anotherArgument) {
   console.log(anArgument + anotherArgument);
}
moreFun(10, 20);
```

Functions with no arguments

```
function noArgs () {
   return 10;
}
```

What is the Document Object Model?

The DOM

The document object model (DOM) is the representation of the web page as JavaScript objects

Putting the document in DOM

document is the object that holds most of the important methods

When to load code

```
window.onload = function () {
    ...
};
```

- o document.createElement
- document.createTextNode
- document.body
- appendChild

- document.createElement
- document.createTextNode
- document.body
- .appendChild

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Creating elements

```
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  <head>
    <script>
      window.onload = function () {
         var newHeader = document.createElement("h1");
         var textNode = document
           .createTextNode("This is a header!");
         newHeader.appendChild(textNode);
         document.body.appendChild(newHeader);
      };
    </script>
  </head>
  <body>
  </body>
</html>
```

Exercise 4

Exercise

use the document.createElement function to make a single

- document.getElementById
- .firstChild
- .nodeValue

getElementByld

```
<body>

      This is a list

      This is our second list

</pre
```

getElementByld

```
window.onload = function () {
   var newItem =
        document.createElement("li");
   var newText =
        document
        .createTextNode("item in the second list");
   newItem.appendChild(newText);
   var secondList = document.getElementById("list2");
   secondList.appendChild(newItem);
};
```

Changing CSS properties

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
  <head>
    <script>
      window.onload = function () {
        var h = document.getElementById("header");
        h.style.color = "red";
    </script>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1 id="header">This is a header!</h1>
  </body>
</html>
```

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use document.getElementById and the .style property to change the text color of the paragraph to green

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Thanks for attending!

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