Exercise 44

If you need to, refer back to Exercise 42 for instructions.

VS CODE TIPS & TRICKS

☐ Create a new folder, **ex44**, and sub-folders for **html**, **css**, and **javascript**.

☐ Create `index.html`.

☐ In `index.html`, create a `<p>` element. With the cursor on that line, hold down **OPTION** + **DOWN ARROW** to copy that line of code onto the next line. (You can use **OPTION** + **UP ARROW** to copy that *above* the currently-highlighted line of code.)

☐ Highlight both lines of code and use the same sequence of keys to copy the *two* lines of code.

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☐ Write the words `This is a comment`. Then hold down **COMMAND** + **/** to turn it into a comment.

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Use the Emmet shortcut `div>p.featured*3`, then press **Tab** to turn the shortcut into:

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<div>
  <p class="featured"></p>
  <p class="featured"></p>
  <p class="featured"></p>
</div>
```

Now suppose you want to change all the `<p>` elements into `<div>` elements. Highlight the first `p` then press **COMMAND** + **d** to highlight each subsequent `p`. Once they're all highlighted, type `div` — and you've just changed `<p>` elements into `<div>` elements.

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Don't like the default color scheme that comes with VS Code? Click **Code** > **Preferences** > **Color Theme** and select a different one. The one I use in my videos is **Tomorrow Night Blue**.

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Want colorful icons to demarcate different file types in Explorer? Try installing **https:// marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=vscode-icons-team.vscode-icons**.

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Locating matching `()`, `[]`, and `{}` pairs can be annoying. This extension shows pairs in matching colors: **https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=CoenraadS.bracket-pair-colorizer**.

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Do you ever find yourself wanting to try out some JavaScript? Instead of going to a repl or opening the console in Chrome, this extension provides a live scratchpad for JavaScript: **https:// marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=WallabyJs.quokka-vscode**.

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You can alter some default settings for VS Code. Type **COMMAND ,**

If you want VS Code to automatically save your files (something I find very useful), look in the **Commonly Used** section. The first one lets you do this. Change the select box to **afterDelay**.

Then choose the value for **Auto Save Delay**. The values are in milliseconds. I have mine set to 1000.