HTML Tips You Probably Don't Know





1. Capture attribute to open your device camera

Just as the input tag has attributes for email, text and password, there is also an attribute to open the camera of mobile devices to capture images.

This is done with the capture attribute which can take two values:

- user for the front camera.
- environment for the back camera.





2. Automatic website refresh

You can set your website to refresh after a given amount of time from the head tag!

This snippet refreshes the website every 10 seconds.



3. Activate spellcheck

You can use the HTML spellcheck attribute and set it to true to activate it. Specify the language to be used using the lang attribute.



It is a standard attribute and is supported by most browsers



4. Specify file type to be uploaded

You can specify the file types users are permitted to upload in the input tag using the accept attribute.



index.html

1 <input type="file" accept=".jpeg,.png">



5. Prevent translation

Setting the translate attribute to no, prevents translation.

This is important in case where you don't want a phrase or word to be translated, for example your logo, company or brand name.



index.html

1 Brand name



6. Entering multiple items into the input tag

This can be done with the multiple attribute.



index.html

1 <input type="file" multiple>

It works for both files and emails. For emails, separate each email by a comma.



7. Creating a poster(thumbnail) for your videos

With the poster attribute, you can create an image which is displayed while the video is downloading, or until the user hits the play button.

If this is not included, the first frame of the video will be used instead.



index.html

1 <video poster="picture.png"></video>



8. Automatically download on link click

If you want a particular resource to be downloaded when a link to the target resource is clicked, add the download attribute.



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