


# Cascading Style Sheets



- A few key points:

- Elements on a page: **block-level** and **inline**
- Tags: **<div>** and **<span>**

- Introducing Cascading Style Sheets:

- How styling works
- Basic syntax
- Common selectors
- How styles are applied (cascade and inheritance)
- Why you should ALWAYS use external CSS files

- Using CSS:

- Styling color
- Styling text

# BLOCK-LEVEL ELEMENTS

Appear on a new line

```
<h1>Hiroshi Sugimoto</h1>
```

```
<p>The dates of the ORIGIN OF ART  
exhibition are as follows:</p>
```

```
<ul>
```

```
<li>Science: 21 Nov - 20 Feb 2010</li>
```

```
<li>Architecture: 6 Mar - 15 May  
2010</li>
```

```
<li>History: 29 May - 21 Aug 2010</li>
```

```
<li>Religion: 28 Aug - 6 Nov 2010</li>
```

```
</ul>
```

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# INLINE ELEMENTS

Appear inline!

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# GROUPING TEXT & ELEMENTS INLINE

```
<p>Anish Kapoor won the Turner Prize in  
1991 and exhibited at the  
<span class="gallery">Tate Modern</span>  
gallery in London in 2003.</p>
```

Anish Kapoor won the Turner Prize in 1991 and exhibited at the TATE MODERN gallery in London in 2003.

# UNDERSTANDING CSS: THINKING INSIDE THE BOX

## The Cottage Garden

The cottage garden is a distinct style of garden that uses an informal design, dense planting and a mixture of ornamental and edible plants.

The Cottage Garden originated in England and its history can be traced back for centuries, although they were re-invented in 1870's England, when stylized versions were formed as a reaction to the more structured and rigorously maintained English estate gardens.

The earliest cottage gardens were more practical than their modern descendants, with an emphasis on vegetables and herbs, along with some fruit trees.

# CSS ASSOCIATES STYLE RULES WITH HTML ELEMENTS

```
p {  
    font-family:  
    Arial;}
```

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SELECTOR

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Arial; }

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SELECTOR



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DECLARATION

# CSS PROPERTIES AFFECT HOW ELEMENTS ARE DISPLAYED

```
h1, h2, h3 {  
    font-family: Arial;  
    color: yellow;}
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PROPERTY



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```



PROPERTY VALUE

# INTRODUCING CSS

HTML

```
<h1>From Garden to Plate</h1>
```

```
<p>A <i>potager</i> is a French term for  
an ornamental vegetable or kitchen  
garden...</p>
```

```
<h2>What to Plant</h2>
```

```
<p>Plants are chosen as much for their  
functionality as for their color and  
form...</p>
```

## From Garden to Plate

A *potager* is a French term for an ornamental vegetable or kitchen garden. Often flowers (edible and non-edible) and herbs are planted with the vegetables to enhance the garden's beauty. The goal is to make the function of providing food aesthetically pleasing.

### What to Plant

Plants are chosen as much for their functionality as for their color and form. Many are trained to grow upward. A well-designed potager can provide food, cut flowers and herbs for the home with very little maintenance. Potagers can disguise their function of providing for a home in a wide array of forms - from the carefree style of the cottage garden to the formality of a knot garden.

# INTRODUCING CSS

CSS

```
body {  
  font-family: Arial, Verdana, sans-serif;}
```

```
h1, h2 {  
  color: #ee3e80;}
```

```
p {  
  color: #665544;}
```

# INTRODUCING CSS

CSS

## Change the font used

```
body {  
    font-family: Arial, Verdana, sans-serif;}
```

```
h1, h2 {  
    color: #ee3e80;}
```

```
p {  
    color: #665544;}
```

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CSS

```
body {  
  font-family: Arial, Verdana, sans-serif;}
```

## Change the color of the headings

```
h1, h2 {  
  color: #ee3e80;}
```

```
p {  
  color: #665544;}
```

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CSS

```
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```

```
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```

Change the color of the paragraphs

```
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# Common Selectors

<b>*</b>	universal	select <b><i>all</i></b> elements
<b>h1</b>	element	select <b><i>h1</i></b> elements
<b>h1, h2, h3</b>	group	select <b><i>h1, h2, and h3</i></b> elements
<b>.foo</b>	class	select elements with an attribute <b><i>class="foo"</i></b>
<b>#bar</b>	ID	select the one element with an attribute <b><i>id="bar"</i></b>
<b>foo:hover</b>	pseudo	select all elements foo when the mouse cursor is hovering over them (often used for links)
<b>div p</b>	contextual	select all <b><i>p</i></b> elements which are <b><i>descendants of a div</i></b>

More info: [https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/CSS/Introduction\\_to\\_CSS/Selectors](https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/CSS/Introduction_to_CSS/Selectors)

# ID ATTRIBUTE

Must be unique: only one element per page

```
<p>Water and air. So very commonplace are  
these substances, they hardly attract  
attention and yet they vouchsafe our very  
existence.</p>
```

```
<p id="pullquote">Every time I view the  
sea I feel a sense of calming security, as  
if visiting my ancestral home; I embark of  
a voyage of seeing.</p>
```

```
<p>Mystery of mysteries, water and air are  
right there before us in the sea.</p>
```

# CLASS ATTRIBUTE

Not unique; can have multiple values

```
<p class="important">For a one-year period  
from November 2010, the Marugame  
Genichiro-Inokuma Museum of Contemporary  
Art (MIMOCA) will host...</p>
```

```
<p>Each will showcase works by the artist  
thematically contextualised under the  
headings...</p>
```

```
<p class="important admittance">Hours:  
10:00 – 18:00 (No admittance after  
17:30)</p>
```

FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 2010,  
THE MARUGAME GENICHIRO-INOKUMA MUSEUM  
OF CONTEMPORARY ART (MIMOCA) WILL HOST A  
CYCLE OF FOUR HIROSHI SUGIMOTO EXHIBITIONS.

Each will showcase works by the artist thematically  
contextualized under the headings "Science," "Architecture,"  
"History" and "Religion" so as to present a comprehensive  
panorama of the artist's oeuvre.

HOURS: 10:00 - 18:00 (NO ADMITTANCE AFTER 17:30)

# The Cascade and Inheritance

How the CSS rules are applied:

- Importance
  - !important
- Specificity
  - A measure of how specific a selector is
- Source order
  - Later rules have more weight
- Inheritance
  - **font size, color** versus **margin, padding, border**

More info:

[https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/CSS/Introduction to CSS/Cascade and inheritance](https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Learn/CSS/Introduction%20to%20CSS/Cascade%20and%20inheritance)

# HOW CSS RULES CASCADE

CSS

```
h1 {  
    font-family: "Courier New", monospace;  
}  
* {  
    font-family: Arial;  
    color: darkgrey;  
}  
  
i {color: blue;}  
i {color: red;}  
  
p b {color: blue !important;}  
p b {color: yellow;}
```

# Potatoes

There are *dozens* of different **potato** varieties.

They are usually described as early, second early and maincrop potatoes.

```
<h1>Potatoes</h1>
```

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```

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```

# USING EXTERNAL CSS

HTML

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Using External CSS</title>
    <link href="css/styles.css" rel="stylesheet">
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>Potatoes</h1>
    <p>There are dozens of...</p>
  </body>
</html>
```



# USING INTERNAL CSS

CSS

```
<head>
  <title>Using Internal CSS</title>
  <style type="text/css">
    body {
      font-family: arial;
      background-color: #rgb(185,179,175); }
    h1 {
      color: rgb(255,255,255); }
  </style>
</head>
```

# Why we almost always use external style sheets

No need to copy style code into each web page

We don't violate the **DRY** principle: **D**on't **R**epeat **Y**ourself

Code easier to maintain

Less chance of human error

Changes to CSS automatically apply to the entire website

Easier for many people to create new pages in same style

etc...



# Styling Color



# How to represent: RGB

6 Digit Hexadecimal notation

#RRGGBB, where each digit 0-F hex

Example #FF0000

CSS rgb function

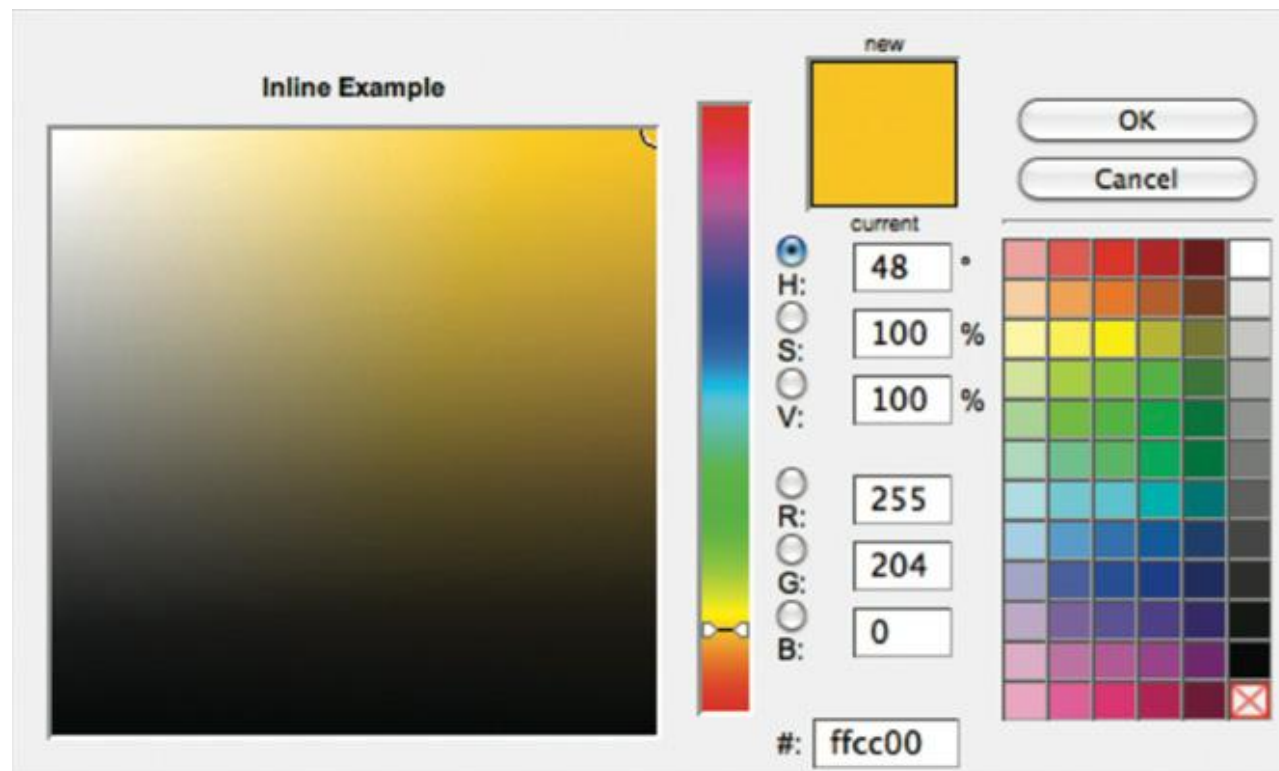
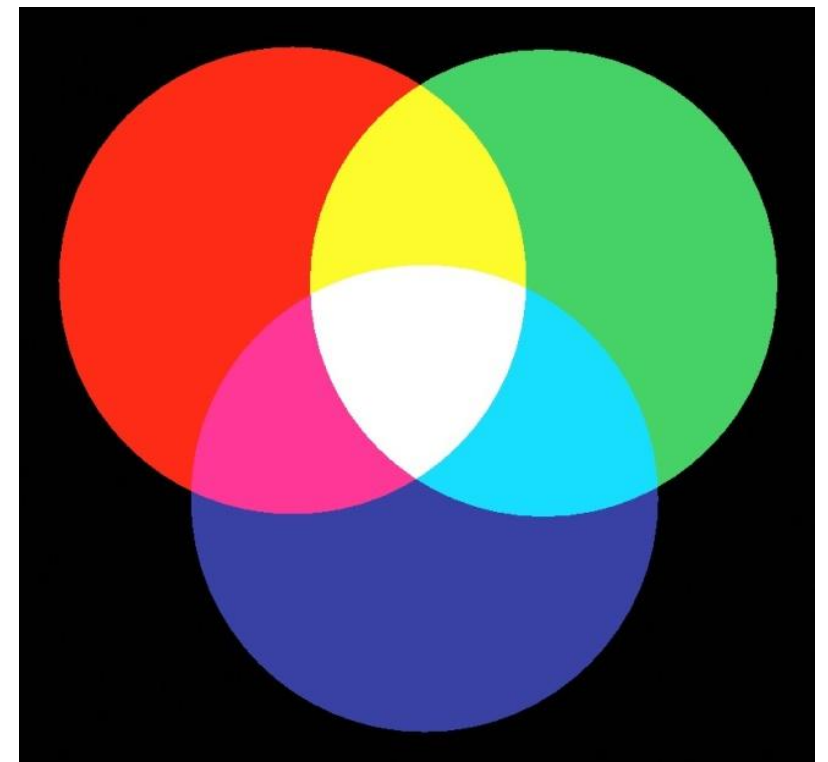
- rgb(red, green, blue), values 0-255
- Example rgb(255, 0, 0);

# How to represent: RGB

Because the RGB colors combine to create white, they are also called additive colors.

The absence of colored light is black

Adding all colors together creates white.



# How to specify color in your stylesheet

```
div {  
    color: black;  
    background-color: white;  
}
```

*or*

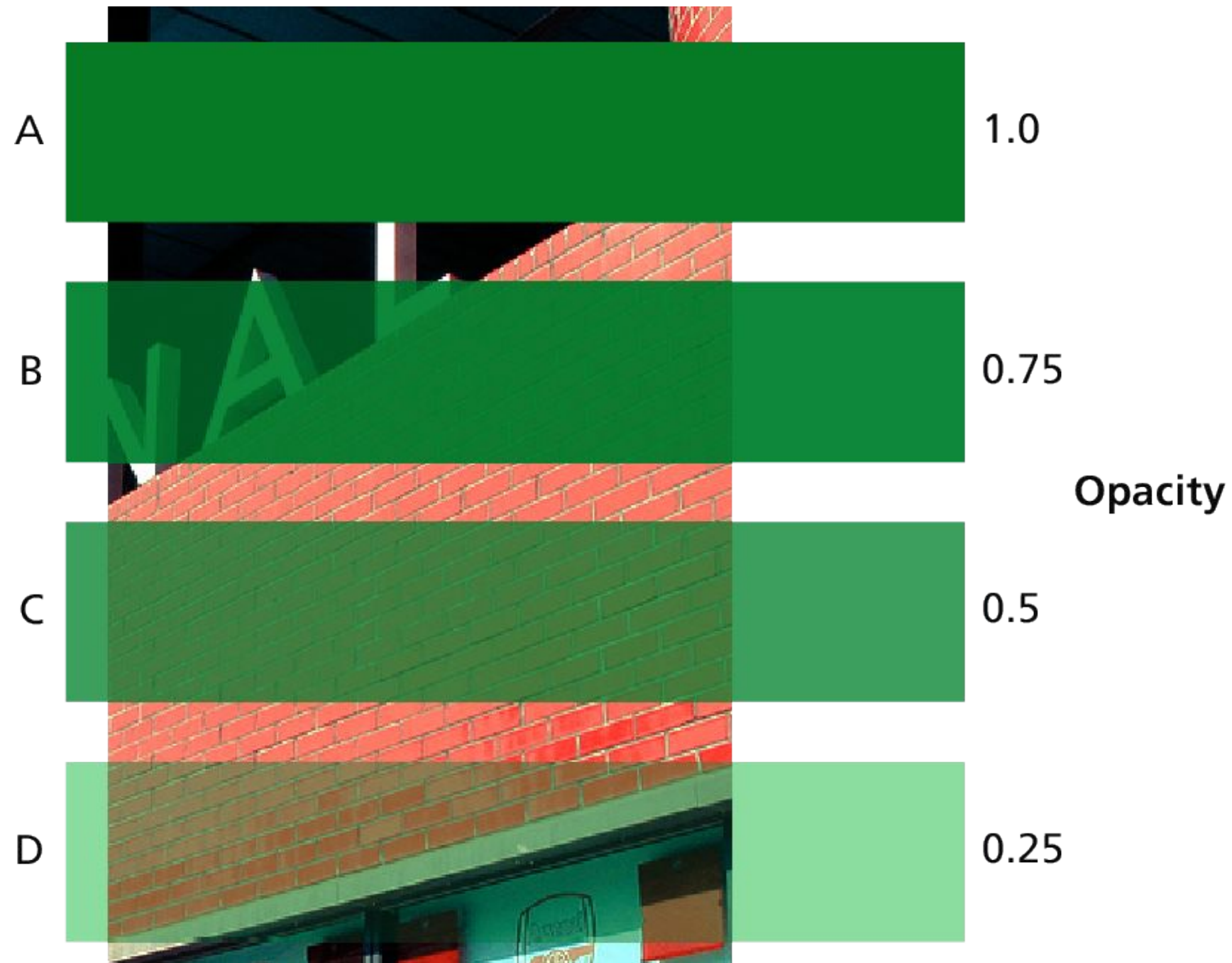
```
div {  
    color: #000000;  
    background-color: #FFFFFF;  
}
```

# Opacity

**Opacity** is the degree of transparency in the color. This value is also referred to as **alpha transparency**.

- Opacity is typically a percentage value between 0 and 100 (or between 0 and 1.0)
  - 0 means no opacity (transparent)
  - 100 means that the element is fully opaque (no transparency).
- For example: `p { opacity: 0.75; }`

# Opacity







# Styling Text



# Text Properties

Two basic types

CSS provides two types of properties that affect text.

- **font properties** that affect the font and its appearance.
- **paragraph properties** that affect the text in a similar way no matter which font is being used.

# Font-Family

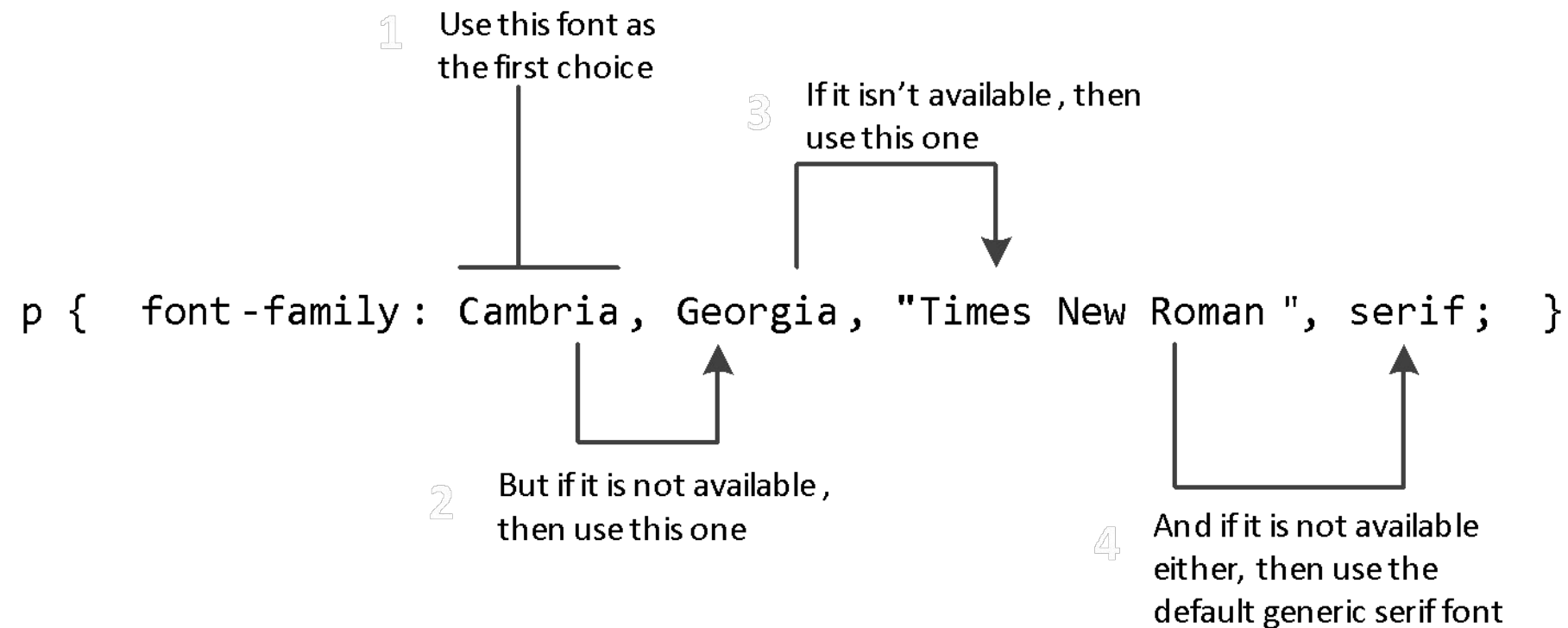
A few issues here

A word processor on a desktop machine can make use of any font that is installed on the computer; browsers are no different.

However, just because a given font is available on the web developer's computer, it does not mean that that same font will be available for all users who view the site.

For this reason, it is conventional to supply a so-called **web font stack**, that is, a series of alternate fonts to use in case the original font choice is not on the user's computer.



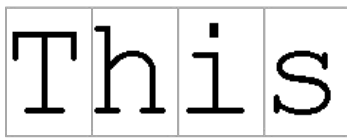

# Specifying the Font-Family



# Generic Font-Family

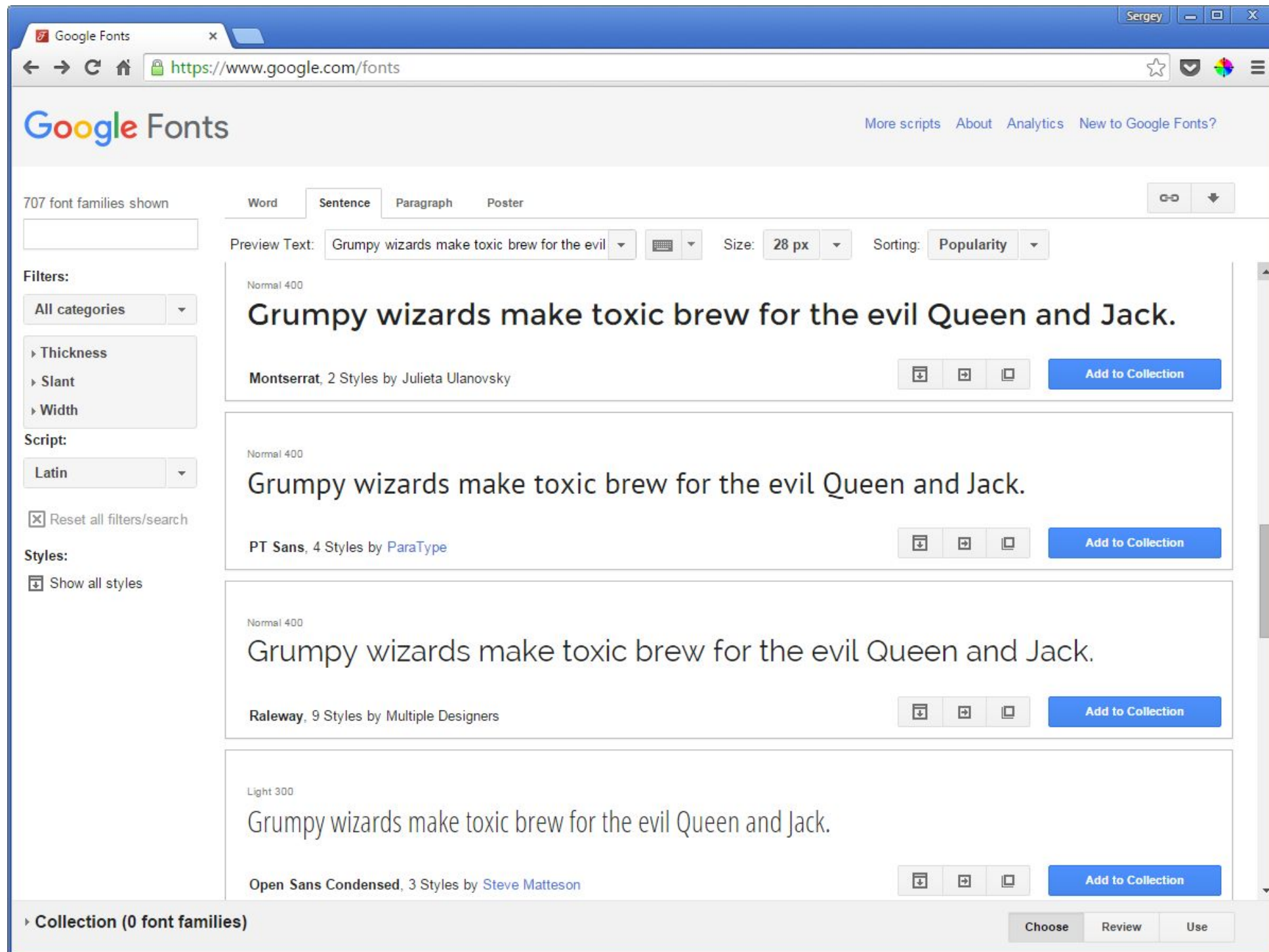
The font-family property supports five different generic families.

The browser supports a typeface from each family.

	Generic Font-Family Name	
This	serif	
This	sans-serif	
This	monospace	  <p>In a monospace font, each letter has the same width</p> <p>In a regular, proportionally-spaced font, each letter has a variable width</p>
This	cursive	
<b>This</b>	fantasy	Decorative and cursive fonts vary from system to system; rarely used as a result .

# Google Fonts

<https://www.google.com/fonts>



# Font Sizes

The issue of font sizes is unfortunately somewhat tricky.

In a print-based program such as a word processor, specifying a font size in points is unproblematic.

However, absolute units such as points and inches do not translate very well to pixel-based devices.

Somewhat surprisingly, pixels are also a problematic unit.

Newer mobile devices in recent years have been increasing pixel densities so that a given CSS pixel does not correlate to a single device pixel.

# Font Sizes

If we wish to create web layouts that work well on different devices, we should learn to use relative units such as **em** units or **percentages** for our font sizes (and indeed for other sizes in CSS as well).

One of the principles of the web is that the user should be able to change the size of the text if he or she so wishes to do so.

Using percentages or em units ensures that this user action will work.



# How to use ems and percents

<code>&lt;body&gt;</code>	Browser's default text size is usually 16 pixels
<code>&lt;p&gt;</code>	100% or 1em is 16 pixels
<code>&lt;h3&gt;</code>	125% or 1.125em is 18 pixels
<code>&lt;h2&gt;</code>	150% or 1.5em is 24 pixels
<code>&lt;h1&gt;</code>	200% or 2em is 32 pixels

*/\* using 16px scale \*/*

```
body { font-size: 100%; }
h3 { font-size: 1.125em; } /* 1.25 x 16 = 18 */
h2 { font-size: 1.5em; }   /* 1.5 x 16 = 24 */
h1 { font-size: 2em; }     /* 2 x 16 = 32 */
```

`<body>`

```
<p>this will be about 16 pixels</p>
<h1>this will be about 32 pixels</h1>
<h2>this will be about 24 pixels</h2>
<h3>this will be about 18 pixels</h3>
<p>this will be about 16 pixels</p>
</body>
```

# How to use ems and percents

When used to specify a font size, both em units and percentages are relative to the parent's font size.

# How to use ems and percents

It might seem easy ... but it's not ...

While this looks pretty easy to master, things unfortunately can quickly become quite complicated.

Remember that percents and em units are relative to their parents, so if the parent font size changes, this affects all of its contents.

# The rem unit

Solution to font sizing hassles?

CSS3 now supports a new relative measure, the **rem** (for root em unit).

This unit is always relative to the size of the root element (i.e., the `<html>` element).

However, since Internet Explorer prior to version 9 do not support the rem units, you need to provide some type of fallback for those browsers.

# Specifying font family

```
body {  
    font-family: Georgia, Times, serif;}  
  
h1, h2 {  
    font-family: Arial, Verdana, sans-serif;}  
  
.credits {  
    font-family: "Courier New", Courier,  
                monospace;}
```

# Briards

by Ivy Duckett

The [briard](#), or berger de brie, is a large breed of dog traditionally used as a herder and guardian of sheep.

## Breed History

The briard, which is believed to have originated in France, has been bred for centuries to herd and to protect sheep. The breed was used by the French Army as sentries, messengers and to search for wounded soldiers because of its fine sense of hearing. Briards were used in the First World War almost to the point of extinction. Currently the population of briards is slowly recovering. Charlemagne, Napoleon, Thomas Jefferson and Lafayette all owned briards.

# Specifying font size

```
body {  
  font-family: Georgia, Times, serif;  
  font-size: 12px;
```

```
h1 {  
  font-size: 200%;
```

```
.credits {  
  font-size: 1.3rem;
```

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# Some useful properties

- font-weight; font-style
- text-transform; text-decoration; text-align
- text-shadow
- :first-letter, first:line
- :link, :visited, :hover
- Here's a reference: <http://www.w3schools.com/cssref>