CSS Cheat Sheet

Selectors

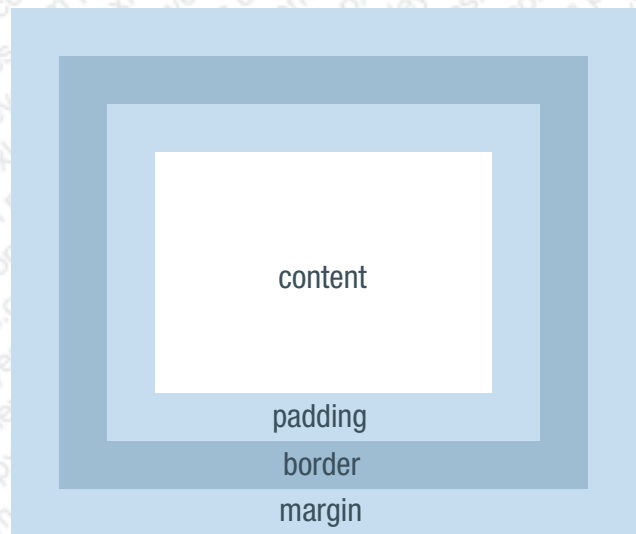|	
div	all DIV tags
div, span	all DIV tags and all SPAN tags
div span	all SPAN tags inside DIVs
#content	element with ID "content"
.box	all elements with CLASS "box"
ul#box	UL tag with ID "box"
span.box	all SPAN tags with CLASS "box"
*	all elements
#box *	all elements inside #box
a:link, a:active, a:visited	links in normal state, in clicked state, and in visited state
a:hover	link with mouse over it
div > span	all SPANs one-level deep in a DIV

Box Model

Positioning

position	places elements on screen, e.g. absolute, fixed, relative
float	stacks elements horizontally in a particular direction, e.g. left
top, left, right, bottom	specifies the offsets used in absolute, fixed, and relative positions, e.g. top:10px;left:10px
display	sets how the element is placed in the doc flow, e.g. block, inline, none
z-index	sets the stacking order of elements, e.g. z-index of 1 is below z-index of 2
overflow	sets what happens to content outside of container, e.g. auto, hidden

Text

font-family	font used, e.g. Helvetica, Arial
font-size	text size, e.g. 60px, 3em
color	text color, e.g. #000, #abcdef
font-weight	how bold the text is, e.g. bold
font-style	what style the text is, e.g. italic
text-decoration	sets a variety of effects on text, e.g. underline, overline, none
text-align	how text is aligned, e.g. center
line-height	spacing between lines, e.g. 2em
letter-spacing	spacing between letters, e.g. 5px
text-indent	indent of the first line, e.g. 2em
text-transform	applies formatting to text, e.g. upper-case, lowercase, capitalize
vertical-align	align relative to baseline, e.g. text-top

Borders and Lists

border	sets border style for all borders, in the format: border: (solid, dashed, dotted, double) (width) (color), e.g. border: solid 1px #000
border-top border-bottom border-left border-right	sets border style for a specific border (same property syntax used for padding and margin, e.g. margin-left)
list-style-type	sets style of bullets, e.g. square
list-style-position	sets how text wraps when bulleted, e.g. outside, inside
list-style-image	sets an image for a bullet, e.g. list-style-image:url(bullet.png)

Everything Else

background	sets background of an element, in the format: background: (color) (image) (repeat) (position), e.g. background: #000 url(bg.png) repeat-x top left
cursor	sets shape of cursor, e.g. pointer
outline	a border drawn around an element that doesn't affect the box model
border-collapse	sets how borders within tables behave, e.g. collapse
clear	sets on what side a new line starts in relation to nearby floated elements, e.g. left, right, both

Always write <!doctype html> in your files!