

## Introduction to HTML – Recitation 3

We're going to start building webpages!! You'll learn how to create a basic webpage, how to upload it onto Eden (Recitation 2), and how to view it in a browser (Recitation 2).

**A good resource:** <http://www.w3schools.com>

**Tools:** Notepad, Notepad++, or a text editor for editing, a web browser for viewing the page. **On your personal computers, install and use Sublime! It's awesome :)**

**\*\* DO NOT** use Microsoft Word for editing because it has additional formatting that will mess up your work.

**\*\* DO NOT** use other tools like FrontPage or Dreamweaver.

### **How to start building a webpage:**

- 1) Open up a text editor
- 2) Save your file as [something].html (IT MUST END IN .html)
- 3) Put tags everywhere!

### **What is HTML? And what are tags?**

HTML stands for HyperText Markup Language. It's simply a language used for creating webpages. An HTML file is composed of tags. Most tags follow this format:

**<opening tag></closing tag>**

### **Here are some basic tags:**

`<html></html>`

`<head></head>`

`<title></title>`

`<body></body>`

`<b></b>`

`<i></i>`

`<u></u>`

`<h1></h1>` up to `<h6></h6>`

`<hr>`

`<br>`

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`<p></p>`

`<a href="destination.html"></a>`

**\*\*Notice `<hr>`, `<br>`, and `<img>` don't need closing tags**

**\*\*Tags can be nested (shown below)**

**DOCTYPE Declaration:**

The <!DOCTYPE> declaration must be the very first thing in your HTML document, before the html tag.

It is not an HTML tag; it tells the browser what version of HTML the page is written in.

**TLDR;** always add the <!DOCTYPE> declaration to your HTML documents so that the browser knows what type of document to expect.

**Skeleton HTML File:**

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <title> My Website! </title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1> This is my website. </h1>
  </body>
</html>
```

**How to view the HTML file:**

- 1) Save it (with a .html extension)
- 2) Using the SSH client (Recitation 2), upload it to eden.
- 3) Set permissions on the page:
  - All HTML files and images need to be readable by others: set the permissions to 644
  - All folders need to be executable by others: set the permissions to 755.
- 3) Go to <http://eden.rutgers.edu/~netid/pagename.html>