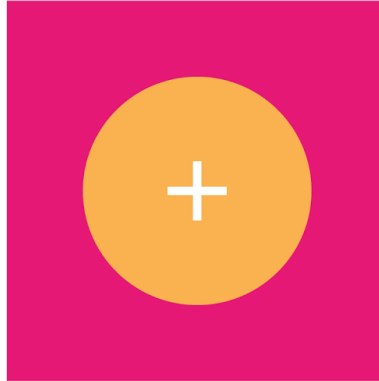




Material is the metaphor



Bold, graphic, intentional



Motion provides meaning

## 8. Materialize CSS!

<http://materializecss.com>

First of all, **congratulations** for getting through Bootstrap components! I know it might have been a little tedious, but it's very helpful to know you have so much at your disposal!

Materialize CSS is a framework, just like Bootstrap. They do nearly the same thing. In fact, Materialize has its own grid, its own components, and its own CSS classes! What's the difference? Materialize uses something called **Material Design** as a base for its design.



Material Design is a design format created by Google. You see this design all over Google's websites, except for a few older ones. Essentially, the idea is to treat each webpage as a group of papers. The top bar is a piece of paper placed on the body, as is a footer, a div tag in the middle of the page, etc. Because of this mindset,

those who use material design often use one color throughout an entire <div> tag and put shadows so that it looks like the "papers" are on top of one another. If you want to read more about material design (I recommend you do), go to this link: <https://material.google.com> (**There are multiple pages**). You can find some color palettes here: <https://material.google.com/style/color.html#color-color-palette>.

Watch a beautiful video demonstration of material motion here: <https://material.google.com/motion/material-motion.html#>.

Materialize CSS is essentially a framework, much like Bootstrap. It has everything Bootstrap has. But you might've noticed Bootstrap is a little ugly when it comes to components. Materialize CSS is everything Bootstrap has, but with beautifully designed materialized components!

Before we get started, I want you to look through Materialize components. Don't look at the code - just play with the buttons and look at the components/CSS classes themselves. The website is <http://materializecss.com>.

If you've finished going through the components and clicked on a few, go to this link: <http://materializecss.com/getting-started.html>, and get started!

Note: There won't be any guides. It's up to you to read through everything on your own. That's part of the learning experience!  
Reading through the documentation on your own isn't too much different than the guides. If you need help, nonetheless, feel free to ask an instructor.