

# Plant Your Zen Garden (CSS, HTML)

*(Individual)* Students use a single page of markup and see how different stylesheets completely transform it.

**Time:** 20 minutes

**Core concept:** How CSS/presentation is separate from content/markup.

## Materials:

- HTML page
- Stylesheets

## Procedure:

- Give every student the same page of markup (The zen garden site's markup).
- Give each student a card with a number on it.
- Students open the markup in an editor, and change every instance of NUMBERGOESHERE with the number on their card.
- Load the site in a browser and see what it looks like.
- Have students trade cards with another student and change the markup to the new number, until they've seen at least 3 different ones.
- Have students make their own stylesheets for the simplified zen garden markup for homework

[Link to HTML file of Markup](#)

[Link to PDF of stylesheet ID numbers](#)

[Link to ZIP of HTML & stylesheet templates for homework](#)