



FUNDAMENTALS OF DEVELOPMENT

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Week 1

INTRODUCTIONS

- Who are you? Who am I?
- What do you do/study/etc?
- What is your experience with web development?
- Do you have related skills like Photoshop, wireframing, email marketing, etc?
- What are you hoping to get out of this class?

CLASS SCHEDULE

- Five sessions over six weeks
- Wednesdays from June 20 to July 25, at 6:30-9:30 pm
 - No class week of July 4th
- 10 minute break somewhere in the middle
- No grades, no tests
- Questions and feedback highly encouraged!

COURSE OVERVIEW

- Basics of HTML and CSS
- Website structure, navigation, and file organization
- Hosting, FTP, Github
- Overview of Javascript and jQuery
- The role of the developer in the product lifecycle



- Overview of a website
- Code editors
- Basic HTML
- Overview of CSS font styling, colors, alignment
- What does a developer DO anyway?



kweeket.github.io/dev-101

Slides, sample files, "homework", and interesting links will be posted here

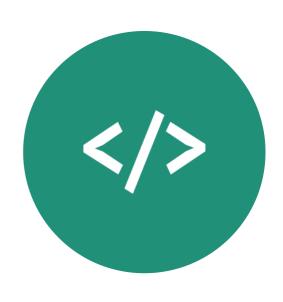


OVERVIEW OF A WEBSITE

CONTENT, DESIGN, & CODE







CONTENT

Most important part of any website

HTML

DESIGN

Critical to the best user experience

CSS

CODE

Brings content and design to life

JAVASCRIPT





What am I presenting?

TEXT

- Articles
- Links
- Lists

MEDIA

- Images
- Videos
- Audio

Content is entered using HTML





What is the experience?

USER EXPERIENCE

- Layout
- Navigation
- User flows

GRAPHIC DESIGN

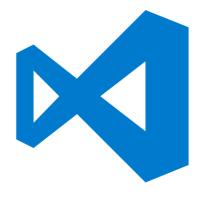
- Colors
- Fonts
- Backgrounds

Design is done with CSS



CODE EDITING TOOLS

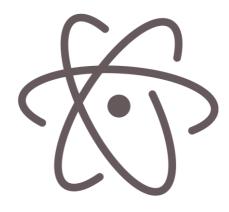
CODE EDITORS



VS Code



Brackets



Atom



Sublime Text



Coda



HTML is just text

You can right-click and select "View Source" on any webpage to see how the developer made it

* WEB BROWSERS



You can experiment directly in the browser before making permanent changes

- You can modify HTML or CSS
- Any changes disappear when you refresh the page –
 copy to a local file if you want to keep them!

DEVELOPER TOOLS

Chrome/Firefox

- Right-click anywhere on the page > Inspect
- OR hit the F12 key

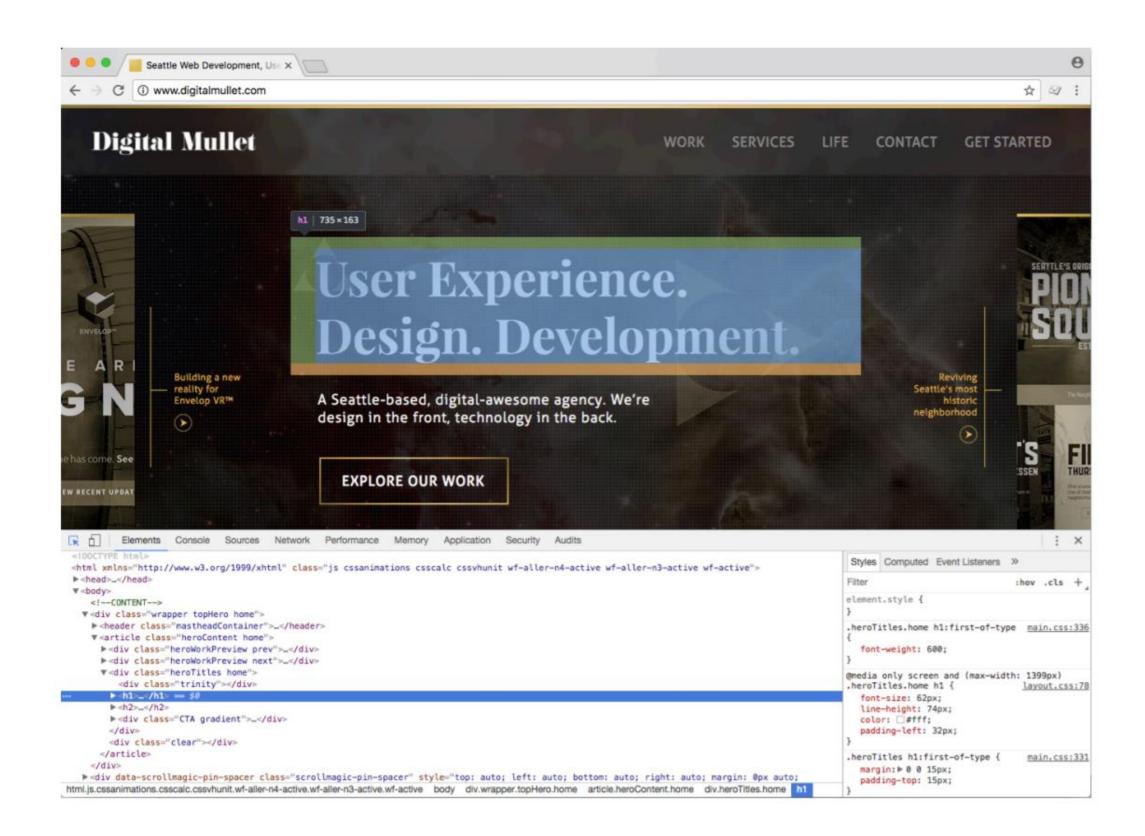
Safari

- Open Preferences > Advanced > Show Develop menu
- Right-click > Inspect Element

Internet Explorer

• F12 key

DEVELOPER TOOLS





<html> HTML DOCUMENTS

HTML ELEMENTS

- HTML elements are contained in <> brackets
- Most HTML tags have an opening tag and a closing tag

```
<tag>Content goes in here</tag>
```

Some types of tags are "self-closing"

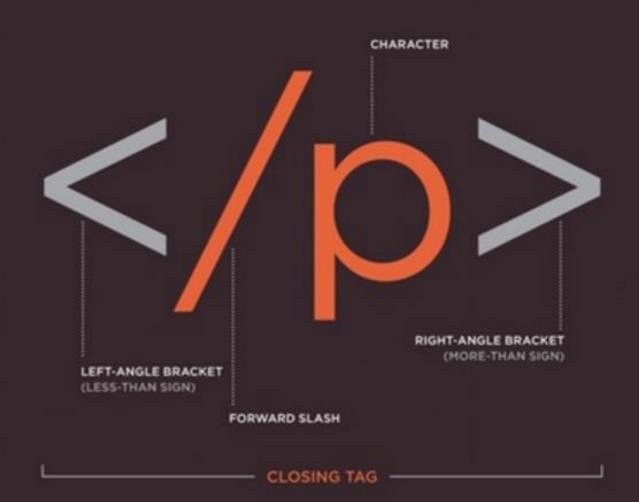
```
<tag />
```

HTML DOCUMENT

```
<!doctype html>
                                                          My First Page
                                                            C \( \mathbb{D} \) www.someurl.com
<html>
                                                        The body is what the
                                                         browser sees.
<head>
                                                         Several ways to format text.
     <meta charset="UTF-8">
     <title>My First Page</title>
</head>
<body>
     <h1>The body is what the browser sees.</h1>
     Several ways to format text.
</body>
</html>
```

HTML ELEMENTS





HTML RULES

• Tags are written in lowercase

```
\langle a \rangle not \langle A \rangle
```

Tags must be closed

```
Text in here.
<div>Content in here.</div>
<br/>
<br/>
<br/>
Self-closing line break
```

DOCTYPE

<!doctype html>

- The very first thing in any HTML document
- Tells the browser what version of HTML the document is written in (this one is HTML5)

DOCTYPE

These old doctypes are not commonly in use anymore:

```
<!doctype html PUBLIC "=//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0
Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml-
strict.dtd">
<!doctype html PUBLIC "=//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01
Transitional//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/transitional.dtd">
```

HTML DECLARATION

<html>

- The top line after <doctype> declaration.
- Tells the browser "This is where everything starts!"

```
<html><!-- everything else --></html>
```

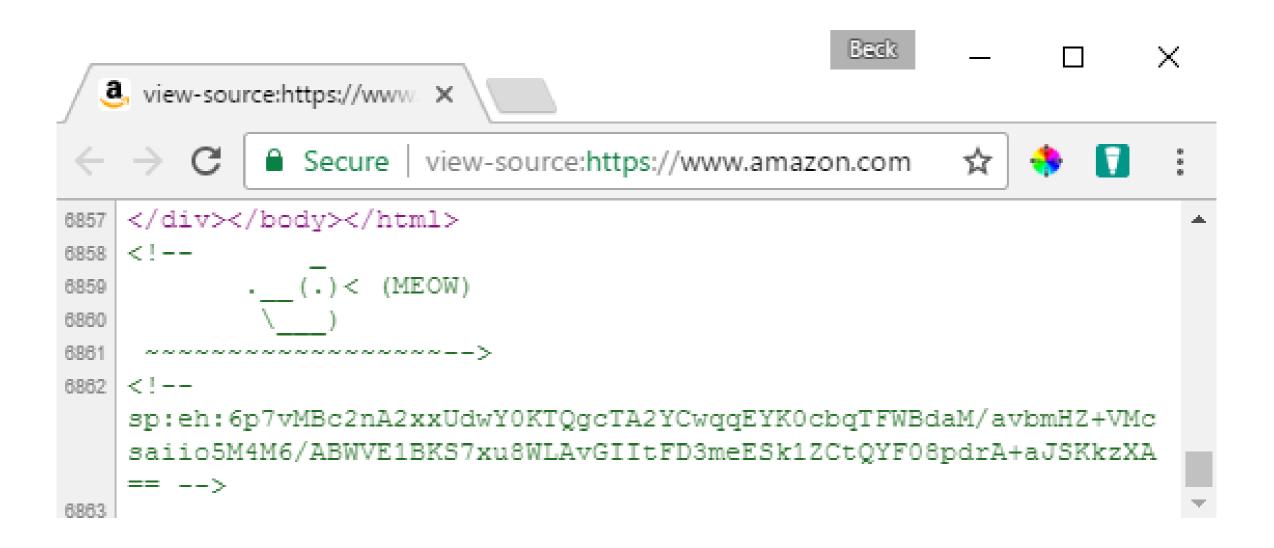
<!--HTML COMMENTS-->

<!-- Comments are great -->

- Are not visible to the user in their browser
- Great for leaving notes for yourself or other developers
- Can be seen in "view source"

<!--HTML COMMENTS-->

Sometimes they don't really have a point...



HEAD ELEMENT

<head></head>

- Required for a valid HTML document
- Holds information about the document that is (mostly) not visible to the user
- Can contain CSS and Javascript

```
<head>
    <!-- metadata and resources -->
</head>
```

META TAGS

<meta charset="UTF-8"/>

- Used to specify "meta" information to the browser like page description, author, search engine keywords, and character encoding
- UTF-8 represents Unicode, a system to handle text consistently in a variety of languages.

TITLE TAG

<title>My First Page</title>

• Displays in the browser tab

Required inside <head>



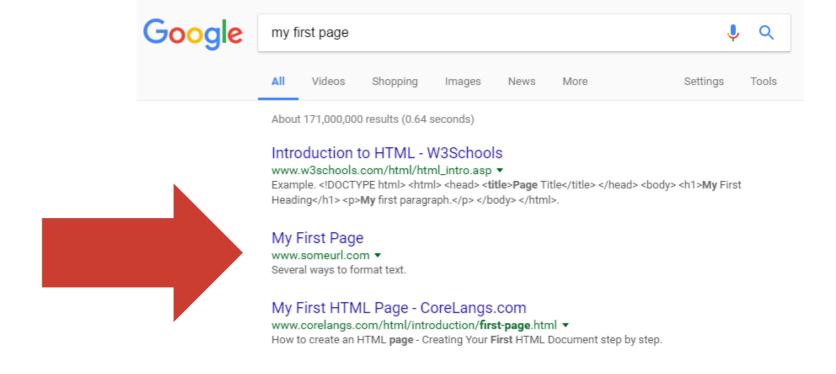
TITLE TAG

<title>My First Page</title>

Name of the page when page is bookmarked

The title for the page in search results on Google

(or Bing)



BODY ELEMENT

<body></body>

The part of the HTML document that's visible to the user

• Contains all content of the document, such as tags, links, images, tables, etc.

```
<body>
    <!-- all my sweet content -->
</body>
```

MAJOR BODY ELEMENTS

• Headings for dividing up your page and content

• Paragraphs of text

• Bulleted, ordered, unordered **lists**

Images

• Links to other pages, websites, or resources.

HEADINGS

<h1>My Page Header</h1>

Headings range from most important to least important

<h1> to <h6>

Search engines use <h1> to determine important information about the page

HEADINGS

```
<h1>Heading 1</h1>
<h2>Heading 2</h2>
<h3>Heading 3</h3>
<h4>Heading 4</h4>
<h5>Heading 5</h5>
<h6>Heading 6</h6>
```

Heading 1

Heading 2

Heading 3

Heading 4

Heading 5

Heading 6

PARAGRAPHS

Hi! I'm a paragraph!

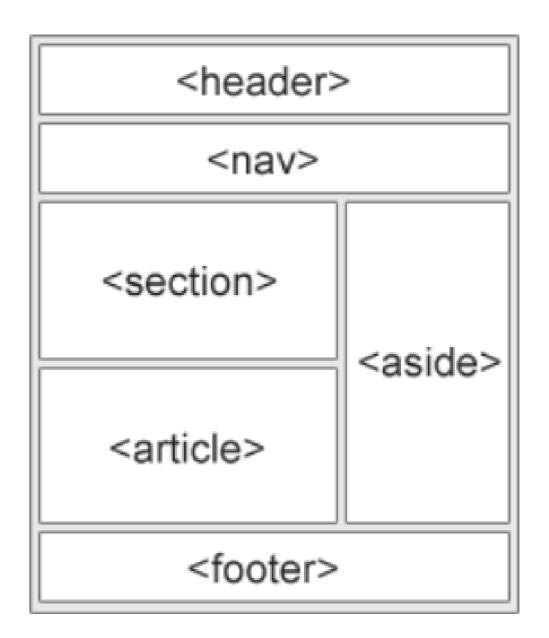
Browsers automatically add space around elements (although this can be changed with CSS)

LAYOUT

<nav> indicates that
everything inside is related
to navigation

<section>, <article> and
<main> are used to define
content sections

<footer> wraps footer content (for example copyright)



FORMATTING

- indicates emphasis
 - By default, this displays as italic

- indicates importance
 - By default, this displays as bold

LIST ELEMENTS

```
PuppiesKittens
```

Unordered lists ul> appear inthe browser by default with **bullets**

- Puppies
- Kittens

LIST ELEMENTS

```
    <!i>Puppies
    <!i>Kittens
```

Ordered lists
 appear in the browser by default with **numbers**

- 1. Puppies
- 2. Kittens

LIST ELEMENTS

```
PuppiesKittens
```

Both unordered and ordered lists can only contain **list items** <1i>> directly

IMAGES

```
<img src="kitten.jpg" alt="Cute kitten" />
```

- Images are "self-closing" (meaning they end with />)
- Images have two required attributes:
 - **src** is where the file lives (local or external)
 - **alt** is a description of the image (used for screen readers, search engines, etc)

IMAGES

```
<img src="kitten.jpg" alt="Cute kitten"
height="200" title="Ollie" />
```

- height and width resize images and ensure the page doesn't jump
- title is shown as a tooltip in some browsers when you hover your mouse over the image



LINKS WITH THE ANCHOR TAG

Google

The <a> element defines an "anchor" or link

Anything inside <a> is clickable – can be text, an image, or any other valid HTML

SOME <A>TTRIBUTES

```
<a href="http://google.com" title="Search"
target="_blank">Google</a>
```

- href is the URL where the link should send the user
- title appears as a tooltip when you mouse over the link. It's read aloud by screen readers
- target="_blank" forces the link to open in a new tab

URL-SCUSE ME?

URL stands for "Uniform Resource Locator"

UNIFORM

because it is a global standard

RESOURCE LOCATOR

because that's what an URL does — it locates a resource that lives on the internet

RELATIVE FILE PATHS

Relative paths are URLs that go to a resource in relation to the page you're on

• Resources "local" to you should all be relative paths
(your images, HTML documents, fonts, CSS, and JS files)

ABSOLUTE FILE PATHS

Absolute paths are URLs that start with http

```
<a href="http://google.com">Ubiquitous
search engine</a>
```

• These documents are **not hosted by you**, so if someone renames or deletes the file, your link will be broken



PRACTICE TIME!

ASSIGNMENT

Create a website that about something that interests you

- At least two pages that are linked to each other
- Include a link to an outside website.
- Use some heading tags and at least one paragraph
- Use at least one list
- Show at least two images one local and one remote
- Add one HTML comment
- Validate your website



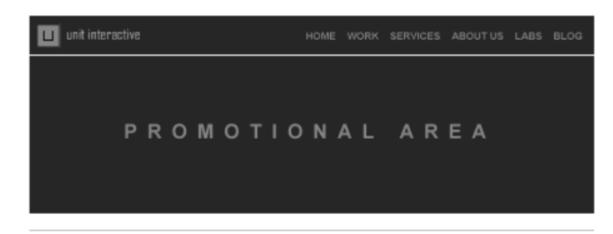
THE ROLE OF THE DEVELOPER

LIFECYCLE OF A WEBSITE

Step 1

User Interface
Designers (UX) create
wireframes based on
research and
conversations with the
client

Wireframes show layout and content



ABOUT DESIGN

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FOOTER

LIFECYCLE OF A WEBSITE

Step 2

Visual Designers turn wireframes into comprehensive layouts, or "comps"

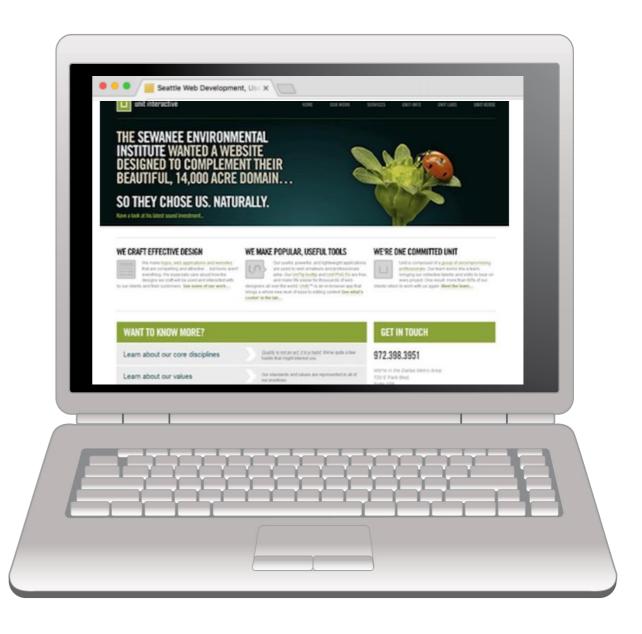


LIFECYCLE OF A WEBSITE

Step 3

Developers turn comps into HTML and style with CSS

 Add interactivity with Javascript



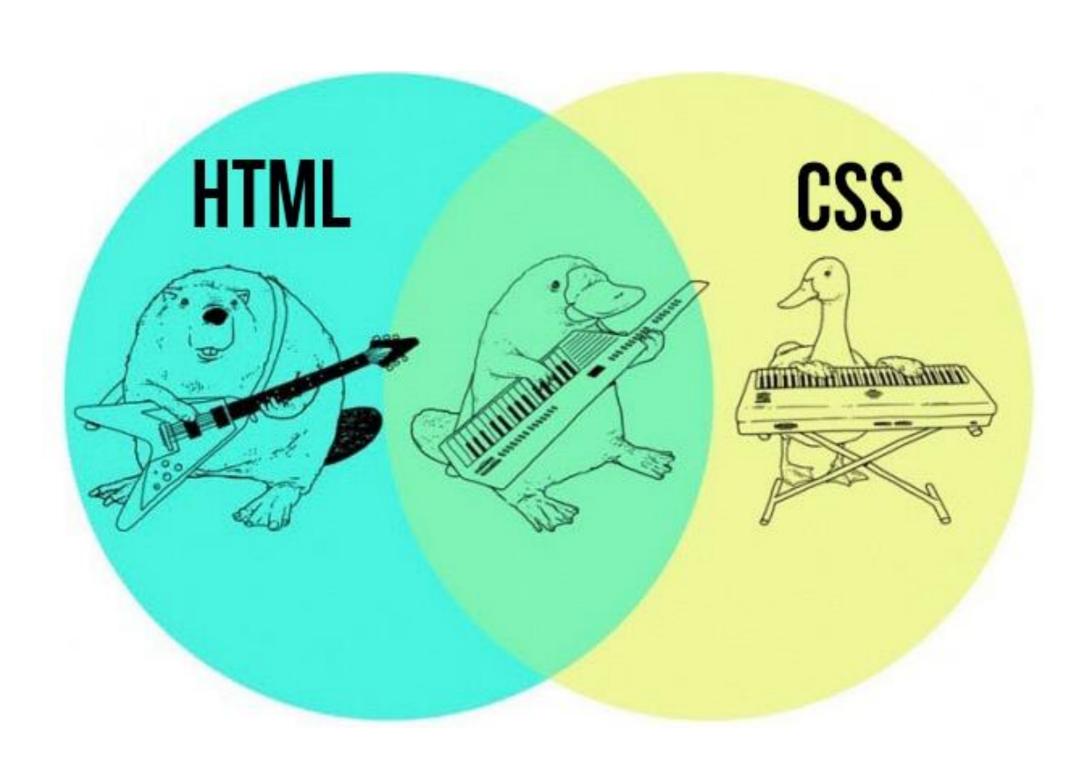
THE ROLE OF THE DEV

What do devs do besides code?

- Problem solve
- Innovate with new technologies and frameworks
- Bring designs to life with animation and motion
- Optimize for fast loading



HTML + CSS = WEBPAGE



CASCADING STYLE SHEETS

- CSS is a language for specifying how documents are presented to users
- Allows us to override the browser's default presentation styles with a custom version
- Provides consistent and scalable ways to style single elements, single pages, or entire websites
- Separates look and feel from content/markup (HTML)

CSS: FAIR WARNING

- There is A LOT you can do with CSS
- We won't get anywhere close to covering everything!
- We will cover CSS for text styles, colors, positioning, layout, and a couple of extras

WHY USE CSS?

- Helps you avoid duplication by keeping styles in one place (one external stylesheet for many HTML pages)
- Makes style maintenance easier for example, update the font for the entire site in one line of code!
- Separating presentation from content enforces style consistency

CSS GOES WHERE?

CSS is a different type of language than HTML, and has its own syntax

- CSS can go directly in your HTML file, inside a <style></style> element
- You can also create a .css file that can be linked to your HTML page
 - Styles inside a .css file don't need a <style></style> tag because the whole file is assumed to be in the CSS language

selector { property: value; }

- selector is the thing you want to style
- property is the attribute you want to style
- value is how you want to style it
- Values always end in semicolons (;)

```
So!

<style>
    p { color: blue; }

</style>
```

"All paragraphs will have blue text"

EXAMPLE CSS RULE

```
p { color: blue; }
```

- selector is p (all tags in the HTML)
- property is color
- value is blue (many color names are supported, or use the hex code #0000ff)

EXAMPLE CSS RULE

```
p {
  color: blue;
  font-size: 14px;
}
```

Multiple properties can be defined for a single selector, each separated by a semicolon (;)

{} COMMON FONT PROPERTIES

line-height: a number followed by a measurement of the height of a line of that element, in ems (em) or pixels (px)

similar to **leading** in typography

```
p { line-height: 1.4em; }
```

font-size: a number followed by a measurement of the height of that element's text in ems (em) or pixels (px)

```
My First Page

→ C www.someurl.com

Line-height is most obvious when lines wrap

This has a line-height of 2em, so each line takes up much more space
```

```
p { font-size: 14px; }
```

{ } QUICK ASIDE ABOUT UNITS

The two standard units for sizing in CSS are px and em

- **px** is an abstract unit that isn't related to font height and isn't a physical unit of measurement
 - Devices with more PPI (pixels per inch) may use several "device" pixels when displaying a 1px line

• That means that px size varies by device, but should always look "about the same"



{ } QUICK ASIDE ABOUT UNITS



{ } AH-EM

- **em** refers to the height of the letter 'm' of the font being used
 - This unit of measurement is a description of the **relative** size between this element and its parent
 - So h2 { font-size: 2em; } means the header is 2 times as big as the letter 'm' of the default font in your html document

{} THAT WASN'T QUICK

Because em is **relative**, that means that if the parent's font size is increased, the children will get bigger too.

	body { font-size: 100%; }	body { font-size: 120%; }
font-size: 1em	The quick brown fox	The quick brown
font-size: 12px	The quick brown fox	The quick brown fox

{ } COMMON FONT PROPERTIES

```
font-style: normal by default - can also be italic or
oblique
```

```
font-weight: normal by default - can also be bold, or
values of 100, 200, etc. (depending on the typeface)
```

font-family: the name of a typeface installed on the user's computer

```
p {
    font-family: Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;
}
```

• The W₃ has a list of <u>"web safe" fonts</u> that most people will have installed locally

{ } FONT TRANSFORM

```
text-transform: changes font casing. Can be uppercase (all caps), lowercase, or capitalize (first letter of all words capitalized)
```

letter-spacing: change font kerning by specifying the space between letters in ems (em) or pixels (px)

```
p {
    font-family: Arial;
    text-transform: uppercase;
    letter-spacing: 2.4px:
}
```

{ } COLORS

- color: changes the color of **text**
- background-color: sets the background color of an element
- Color value can be set using names, HEX, RGB, or RGBA
 - Name: white
 - Hex: #ffffff
 - RGB: rgb(255, 255, 255)
 - RGBA: rgba(255, 255, 255, 0.8)

{ } COLOR EXAMPLES

```
color: black;
background-color: #000000;
background-color: rgb(0, 0, 0);
```

{ } TEXT-ALIGN

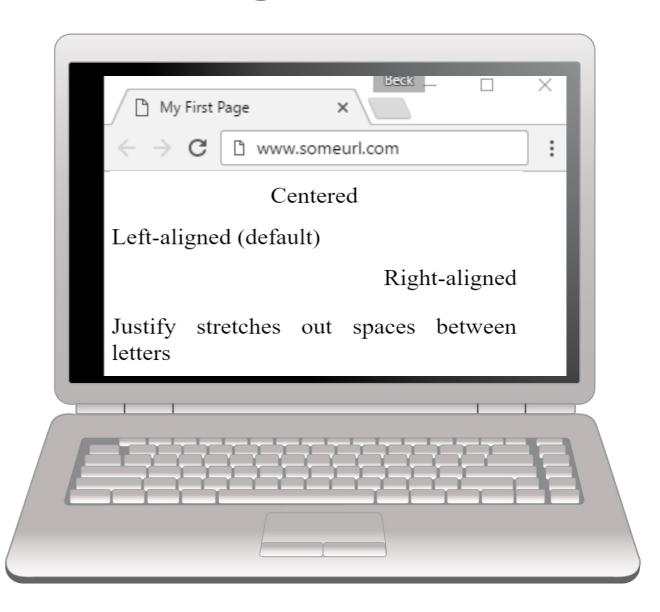
You can change the alignment of text using the

text-align property.

Values:

- center
- left
- right
- justify

```
h1 { text-align: center; }
```



{ } CSS COMMENTS

Just like HTML, CSS can have comments

```
• Start with /*
```

End with */

```
<style>
  /* I am a CSS comment! */
</style>
```



PRACTICE TIME!

PRACTICE

Add a <style></style> section in the <head> on your page

Make some style changes using CSS

• Consider changing font color, font family, font size, text alignment, and background color

"HOMEWORK"

• Practice!

• Next time you see a cool website, inspect how they did it

• If you have questions during the week, feel free to email me at beckjohnson@gmail.com

• Optional: read chapters 6-7 of HTML and CSS: Design and Build Websites

