



HTML & CSS: LEVEL 1

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Week 4

SESSION OVERVIEW

- Review box model of CSS
- Classes and ids
- Floats!
- Using web fonts



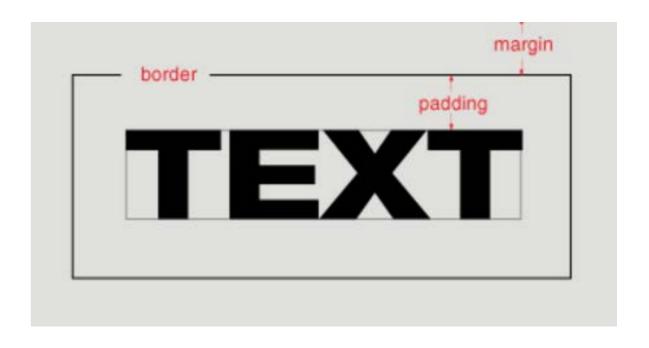
{} CSS BOX MODEL

CONTENT: stuff in the box

PADDING: bubble wrap and packing peanuts

BORDER: sides of the box

MARGIN: space between multiple boxes



{} PADDING

- Padding creates space **inside** an element
- Padding affects how far content is from the border

Padding is the space inside the border, between the border and the actual image or text.

{} MARGIN

- Margin creates space outside an element.
- Margin affects how far elements are from each other

Margin is the space between one object and its surrounding elements.

{} BORDER

Between margin and padding, you can set a border

- Width (usually in pixels)
- Border style (solid, dotted, dashed, etc)
- Color

```
p
border: 2px dotted #ff0000;
}
```

{} BORDER-RADIUS

To make an element appear curved, use the property border-radius

• The value is a number (in px or em) or percentage

• You can use border-radius even if you don't explicitly set a border

```
li {
    border-radius: 50%;
    height: 3em;
    width: 3em;
}
```

{} BLOCK ELEMENTS

BLOCK ELEMENTS

- Expand naturally to fill their parent container
- Can have margin and/or padding

BLOCK ELEMENTS EXPAND NATURALLY -	—
AND NATURALLY DROP BELOW OTHER ELEMENTS	

{} INLINE ELEMENTS

INLINE ELEMENTS

- Flow along with text content
- Ignores height, width, top margin, and bottom margin
- Honors left and right margins (and any padding)

INLINE ELEMENTS FLOW WITH TEXT

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{} INLINE-BLOCK ELEMENTS

INLINE-BLOCK ELEMENTS

- A hybrid of block and inline
- Flow along with text content
- Has height, width, margin, and padding



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 ELEMENTS

A is a generic inline element

No default style

Used to style inline content

<DIV> ELEMENTS

A <div> is a generic block element

No default style

 Heavily used as a wrapper for other elements, to create complex layouts

QUESTIONS?



ID & CLASS SELECTORS

CSS lets us target all paragraphs like this:

```
p {
    font-size: 20px;
}
```

But what if we want to style only **some** paragraphs?

You can add class and id to any HTML element to identify it for styling.

• You decide the class and id values — be descriptive!

```
Big text
Still
totally valid
```

Adding a class or id does nothing to an element by default.

- Classes and ids don't have any styling information by themselves
- They require you to add CSS selectors if you want styling to be applied

Multiple elements can have the same class

 A class is like a barcode – all of the same products have the same barcode



Only **one** element per page can use the same id

• An id is like a serial number — it uniquely identifies one specific instance of a product



CLASS SELECTORS IN CSS

- In CSS, target a class with a period
- Will style **all** types of elements that have that class:

```
.kittens { color: gray; }

This will be gray.
<div class="kittens">This will be gray too.</div>
```

CLASS ATTRIBUTES

Elements can have **multiple** classes, separated by a space:

```
Big text with a
margin
.important { font-size: 20px; }
.margin-sm { margin: 5px; }
```

CLASS SELECTORS IN CSS

Child selectors work with classes:

```
.card p { padding: 16px; }
```

"Any paragraph that is **inside** an element with a class of card gets 16px of padding."

```
<div class="card">
    <h2>This will not get padding</h2>
    But this will
</div>
```

ID ATTRIBUTES

- An id can only be used once per page
- Elements cannot have multiple id attributes

```
<div id="mainContent">
     <!-- This better be the only main -->
</div>
```

ID SELECTORS IN CSS

```
In CSS, target an id with a hash:
#kittenContainer {
   color: gray;
<div id="kittenContainer"></div>
```

IDS FOR ANCHORING

If you put a hash followed by the element's id in the URL, the browser will jump to that location on the same page:

Proceed
directly to kittens

ID ATTRIBUTES

Q: What horrible thing will happen if you use an **id** twice on the same page?

A: Well...actually nothing.

- But your page won't validate
- Jump links will go to whatever id appears first
- And any Javascript that needs to locate that specific element will fail

MIXING CLASS AND ID ATTRIBUTES

An element can have both id and class attributes.

```
<div id="puppyContainer" class="small fluffy"></div>
<div id="birdContainer" class="small feathery"></div>
```

HOW TO CHOOSE - CLASS OR ID?

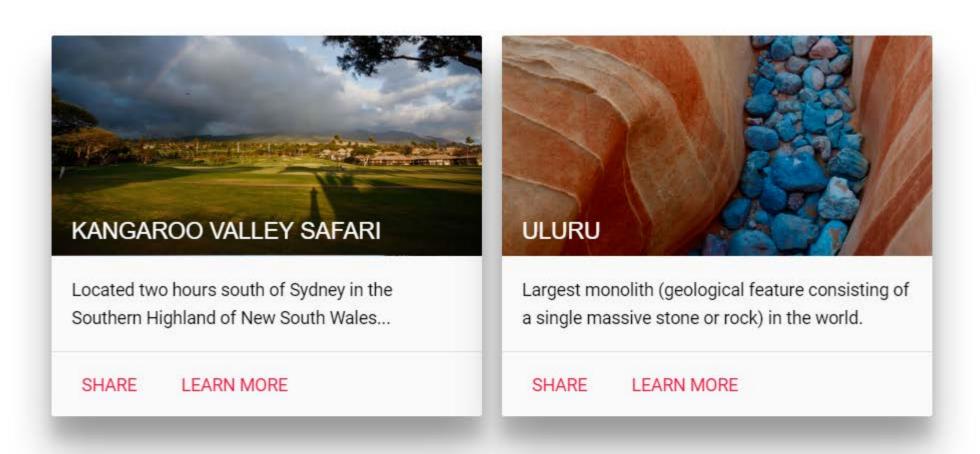
If you think it's likely or possible that you'll want to apply the same style to multiple things, definitely use class

If your element is guaranteed to be the only one on the page, you can use id — or you can still use class

If your element needs to be linked to directly, use id

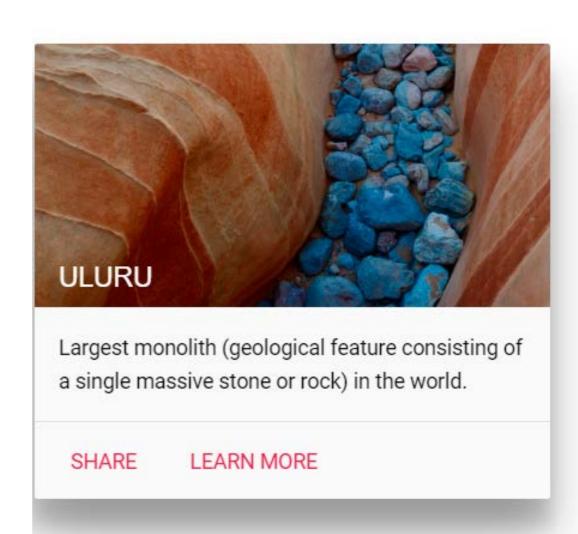
CLASS COMPONENTS

The most common use of classes is to define reusable components.



CLASS COMPONENTS

A component is an outline defined in HTML that will have the same markup every time it's used, but with different content inside it.



CHILDREN IN CLASS

```
.card {
      display: inline-block;
      width: 344px;
      height: 304px;
.card p {
      padding: 16px;
      margin: 0;
      line-height: 1.6;
.card .action-bar {
      padding: 0 8px;
      border-top: 1px solid #E0E0E0;
      height: 52px;
```



Largest monolith (geological feature consisting of a single massive stone or rock) in the world.

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PRACTICE TIME!

ASSIGNMENT

Give an element on your page a descriptive class

- Apply a special style using a CSS class selector
- Style a child element of this element

Create another class and apply it to **two different** types of elements

• Bonus points: apply to an element that already has a class. What happens if the styles conflict? How would you make sure the result is what you want?

Assign an id to an element on your page

- Apply a unique style using an id selector
- Create a link in your nav that jumps to that element



WEB LAYOUTS

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With CSS, we can use a variety of properties to arrange elements on the screen by adjusting the flow of the page.

Basically, you can put elements anywhere...which can be both a good and a bad thing!

3 WEB LAYOUT PROPERTIES

- display: dictates how elements behave within the box model
- float: moves elements around within the page flow
- position: takes elements entirely out of the page flow

DISPLAY PROPERTY

The display property tells the browser what type of box model to use:

- inline
- inline-block
- block

This changes how padding, margin, height and width affect an element.

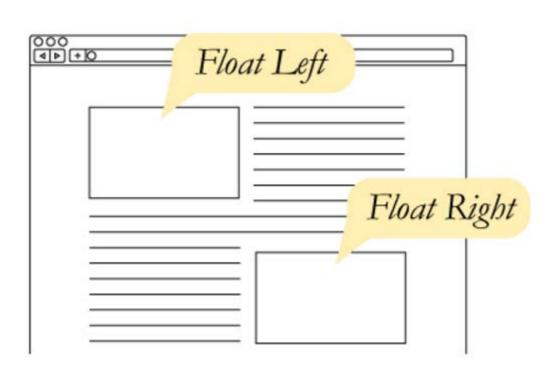
You also can set display: none to hide an element entirely.

Up to now, elements have displayed sequentially, in the order that you placed them in your HTML.

The float property takes an element out of the normal flow and "floats" it to the left or right side of its container.

 This allows other content to flow around it

```
img { float: left; }
```



The three values for float are:

- left
- right
- none

By default, elements are float: none

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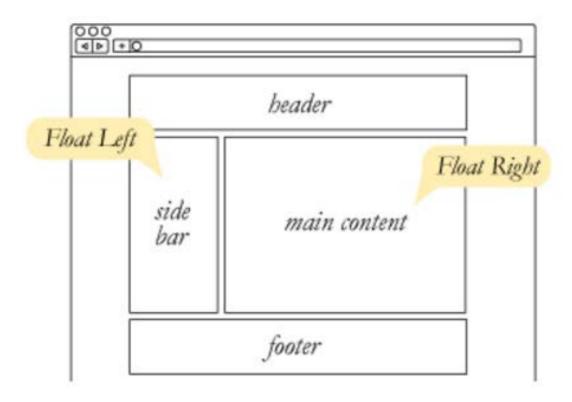


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float can be used to float text around images, but it also can be used to create entire page layouts.



For example, this layout was built using float. How do you think it was done?



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```
.avatar { float: left; } .bio { float: right; }
```

Let's try that...

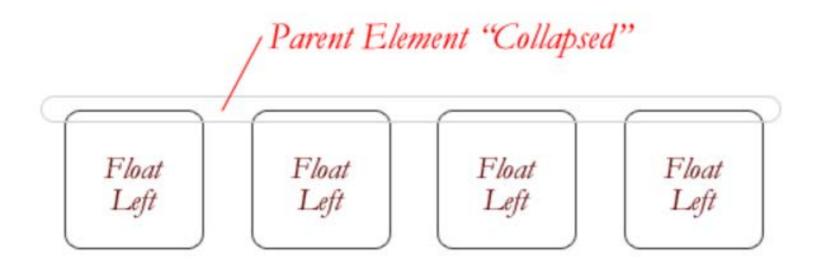


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The container thinks it has no content!

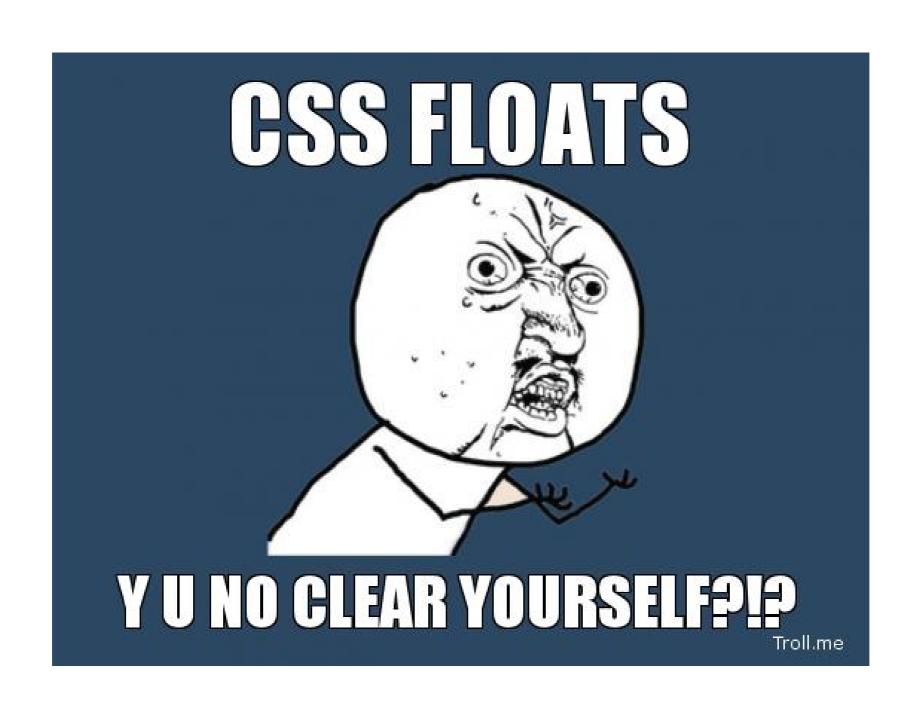
- It collapsed to the size of its padding (you can see the top and bottom border)
- The floated content is spilling out



If you float an element, it is no longer in the normal document flow.

If all elements in a container are floated, that means that the container is effectively "empty."

HOW TO FIX FLOATS?



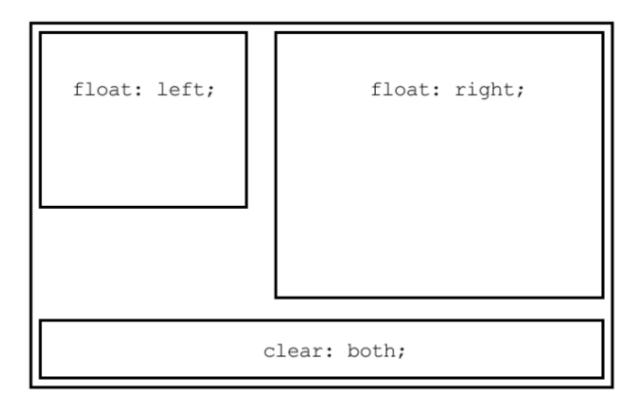
HOW TO FIX FLOATS?

There are 2 ways to fix this:

- 1. Apply the CSS rule clear: both to an element after the floated content
- 2. Apply a CSS rule using the property overflow to the **container**

The clear property is the sister property to float

- It doesn't do much until there are floated elements on the page
- An element with clear applied to it will force itself below the floated element
- Everything after that will be back in the normal flow
- This "stretches" out the container and keeps it from collapsing

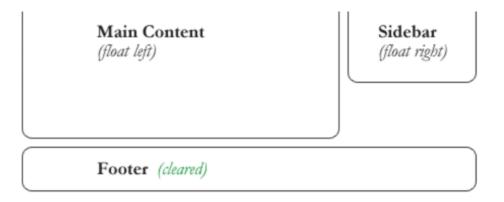


clear has similar values to float:

• clear: none — the element does **not** move down to clear past floating elements (this is the default value)

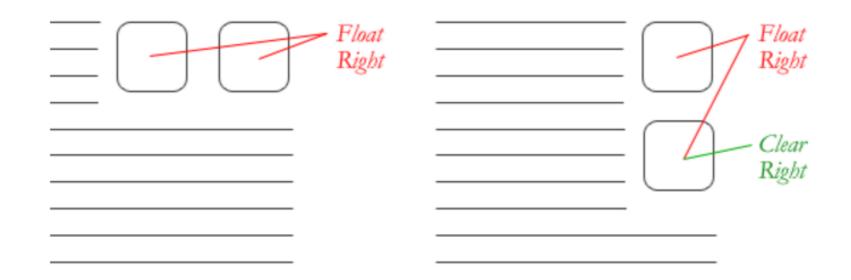


• clear: both — the element is moved down to clear **both** right- and left-floated elements



Sometimes, you want to let some content after a clear continue floating, but not other content:

- clear: left only clear left-floated elements
- clear: right only clear right-floated elements



So to solve our problem, you could add this empty div after the bio container:



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<div style="clear: both"></div>

(We could apply the class to any type of element, but the benefit of using a div is that it has no style of its own.)

THE MAGIC FLOAT FIX

The preferred solution is to use a class that automatically clears itself.

- Apply a class to the parent container called clearfix
- Create a CSS rule for clearfix class using the pseudoelement: after

```
.clearfix:after {
    content: "";
    display: block;
    clear: both;
}
```

THE MAGIC FLOAT FIX

The **pseudo-element**: after inserts a tiny bit of content (specified by the **content** property) after the parent element

• In this case, the content is empty (""), but it's sufficient to trigger the clear: both rule

(There is also a **pseudo-element**: before that inserts content before the parent element — you'll see this used when we look at icon fonts!)

The other way to force a container to expand around floated content is to apply a CSS rule with overflow to the container that the floated content is inside.

Any valid value for overflow will cause floated content to stretch out the container

• Too complicated to explain, but it basically forces the container to re-assess the content inside it

overflow is a CSS property that governs how content looks when it breaks out of its container.

By default, elements have overflow: visible, which means all content is fully visible

 Even if that means overflowing its container!



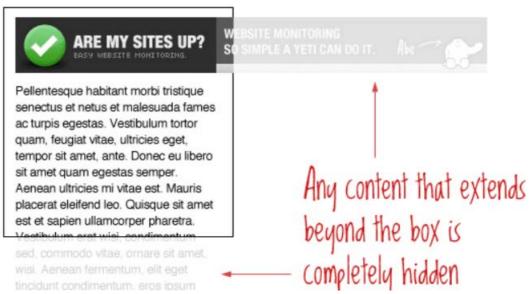
overflow: scroll makes scrollbars appear both horizontally and vertically...even if they don't need to be there.

 None of the content that would overflow appears outside the box



overflow: hidden cuts off any content that "sticks out" of its box

 No way to scroll, so content is no longer accessible



overflow: auto only adds scrollbars when the content requires it (which may mean no scrollbars are added at all)

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So to solve our problem, you could add this CSS rule to the floated div:

```
.bio { overflow: visible; }
```



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PRACTICE TIME!

ASSIGNMENT

Create a container that has an image floated to the side of some text.

- Give the container a background color, gradient, or borders (to make sure floated content is really clearing properly)
- Try both techniques to force the container to expand around floated content
 - What happens when you use different overflow options?
- Apply box model properties like padding and margin so that your content looks nice

Remember that font-family looks for a font installed on the user's local machine.

```
body { font-family: Tahoma, sans-serif; }
```

If the Tahoma font isn't found, the browser will default to a generic sans-serif font instead.

What if you want to use an interesting font that most people aren't likely to have installed?

The absolutely easiest way to get custom fonts is to link to a Google font stylesheet in the head of your page:

```
<link href="https://fonts.googleapis.com/css?family=Roboto"
rel="stylesheet">
```

Then just use the font by name in font-family, just like you would a web-safe font:

```
p { font-family: Roboto; }
```

Downsides:

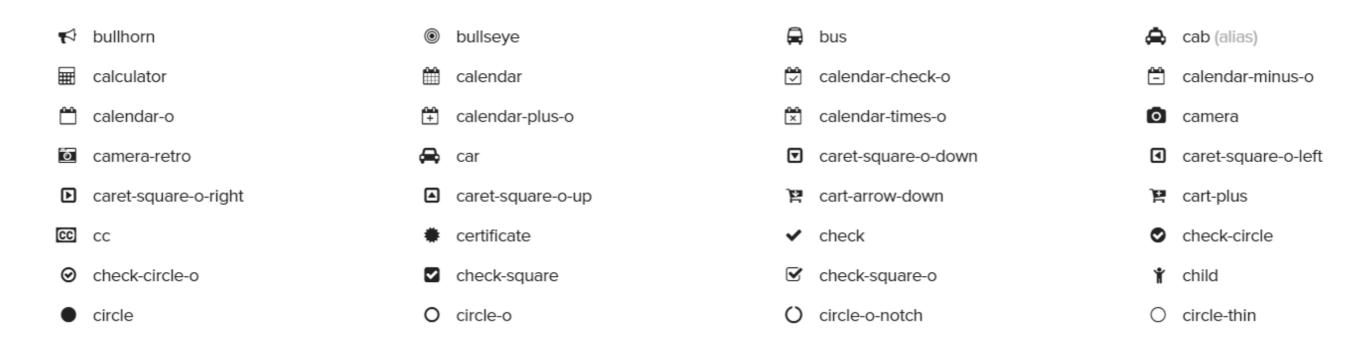
- Relies on a 3rd party to provide assets
- So if the request times out, the font won't download (so always provide fallbacks!)

Upsides:

- Extremely easy
- Possibility that user already has the font in their web cache due to visiting other sites that use the same font

ICON FONTS

Font Awesome is a free icon font that is used in many real-world projects.



Characters are replaced with vector images

 So to color or re-size icons on your site, just use the CSS font properties we already learned.

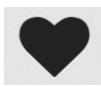
ICON FONTS

To quickly start using Font Awesome, add this stylesheet to the head of your page:

```
<link href="http://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/font-
awesome/latest/css/font-awesome.min.css"
rel="stylesheet">
```

Click an icon from the <u>Font Awesome</u> list, and copy the markup they provide, like:

```
<span class="fa fa-heart"></span>
```

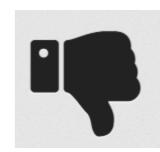


FONT AWESOME

You can put a font awesome class on any element:







The other way to ensure people see the correct font is to download the font onto their computer when they load your page.

- Have to consider licensing fees most fonts cost money
- There are free fonts available for download at websites like <u>Font Squirrel</u> or <u>Font Spring</u>
- Some fonts prohibit commercial use, or limit the number of pageviews

@FONT-FACE

```
@font-face {
   font-family: MyWebFont;
   src: url(webfont.eot);
      url(webfont.eot?#iefix) format('embedded-opentype'),
      url(webfont.woff) format('woff'),
      url(webfont.ttf) format('truetype'),
      url('webfont.svg#svgFontName') format('svg');
}
```

The @font-face declaration should appear before any other styles.

Different browsers support different font filetypes – modern browsers use woff, IE needs eot, and mobile devices need ttf or svg.



PRACTICE TIME!

ASSIGNMENT

Find a free font from <u>Google fonts</u> and use it on your site by including the font stylesheet.

Apply the font to some elements on the page

Include the Font Awesome stylesheet.

- Display at least two different icons
- Make them different sizes and/or colors
- Bonus points: what other CSS can you apply to the icons?

"HOMEWORK"

• Practice!

• Optional: read chapters 15 and 17 of HTML and CSS: Design and Build Websites

