

Introduction to Flexbox

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  <div class="item">2</div>
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</div>

<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
  }
  .item {
    width: 50px;
  }
</style>
```

Here, the items will take up equal space inside the parent, once their widths are set to maximum, because they are constraint by the parent. All the children will be in one row always, unless wrapping is used.

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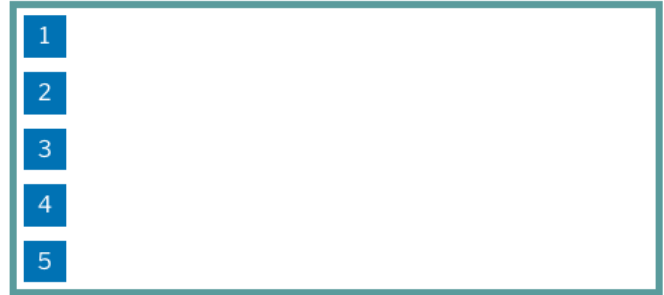
5 4 3 2 1

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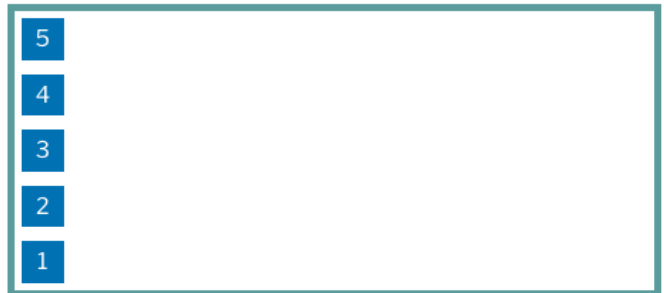


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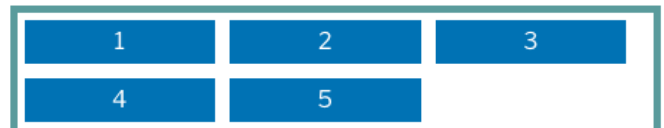


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<style>
.parent {
  display: flex;
  flex-wrap: wrap;
}
.item {
  width: 30%;
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</style>

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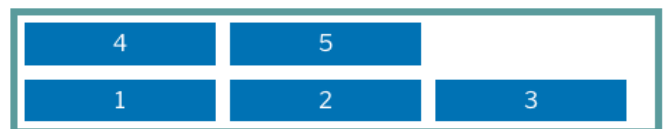


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`justify-content: flex-start` will look like the first example.

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<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    justify-content: center;
  }
  .item {
    width: 50px;
  }
</style>
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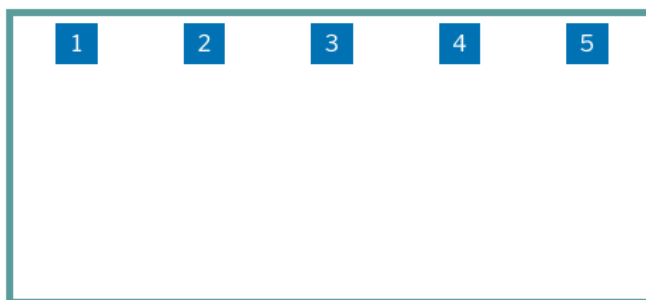
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  .parent {
    display: flex;
    justify-content: space-around;
  }
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The point to note is that `align-items` work on the Y-axis, whereas, `justify-content` works on X-axis.

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<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    justify-content: space-around;
    height: 200px;
    align-items: flex-start;
  }
  .item {
    width: 50px;
  }
</style>
```



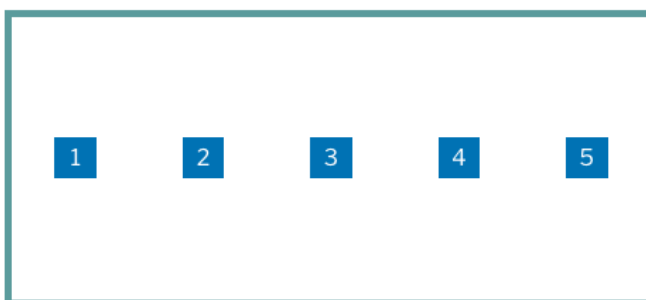
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<style>
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    display: flex;
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    height: 200px;
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  }
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    width: 50px;
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</style>
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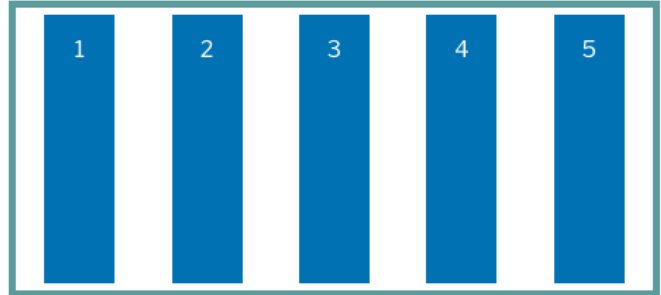


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</div>

<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    justify-content: space-around;
    height: 200px;
    align-items: stretch;
  }
  .item {
    width: 50px;
  }
</style>

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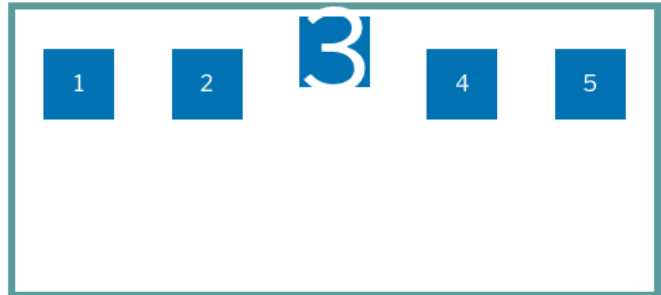


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<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    justify-content: space-around;
    height: 200px;
    align-items: baseline;
  }
  .item {
    width: 50px;
  }
  .item:nth-child(3) {
    font-size: 80px;
  }
</style>

```

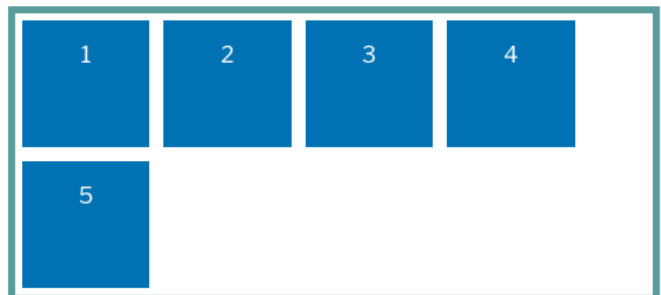


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<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    height: 200px;
    flex-wrap: wrap;
    align-content: stretch;
  }
  .item {
    width: 20%;
  }
</style>

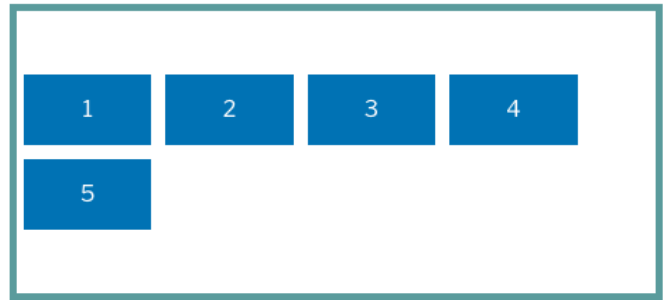
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Similarly, `align-content` works on the Y-axis and has `flex-start`, `flex-end`, `space-around`, `space-between`.

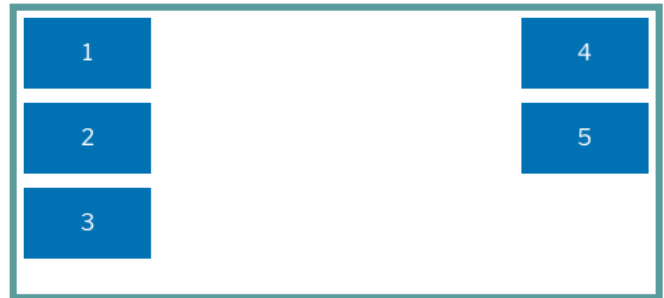
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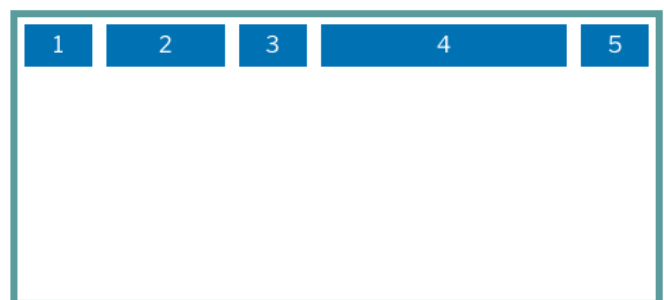
<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    height: 200px;
    flex-wrap: wrap;
    align-content: space-between;
    flex-direction: column;
  }
  .item {
    width: 20%;
  }
</style>
```



Here, `flex-grow: 1`; is default. Also, `flex-shrink` works in the same way, but it only reduces the width of the element.

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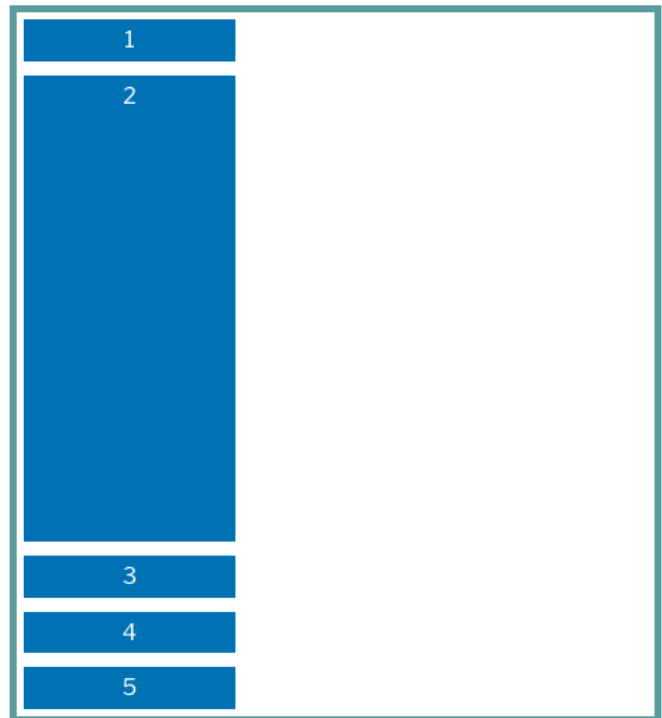
<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    height: 200px;
  }
  .item {
    flex-grow: 1;
  }
  .item:nth-child(2) {
    flex-grow: 3;
  }
  .item:nth-child(4) {
    flex-grow: 8;
  }
</style>
```



The following code `flex: 2 3 30px` depicts `flex-grow: 2`, `flex-shrink: 3` and `flex-basis: 30px`.

```
<div class="parent">
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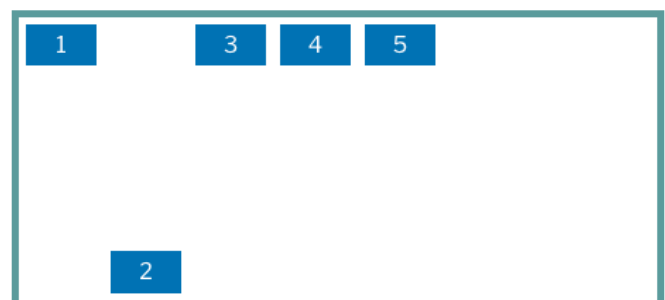
<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    height: 500px;
    flex-direction: column;
  }
  .item {
    width: 150px;
  }
  .item:nth-child(2) {
    flex: 2 3 30px;
  }
</style>
```



Here, `align-self: flex-end` is the default and other property is `center` and `stretch` as shown below.

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</div>

<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    height: 200px;
  }
  .item {
    width: 50px;
  }
  .item:nth-child(2) {
    align-self: flex-end;
  }
</style>
```



Here, height is over-ridden to auto so as to show the functionality of `stretch` as `item` class already sets the height.

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</div>

<style>
  .parent {
    display: flex;
    height: 200px;
  }
  .item {
    width: 50px;
  }
  .item:nth-child(2) {
    align-self: stretch;
    height: auto;
  }
</style>
```

