

WEB DEV FOR BEGINNERS

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1 Introduction to Programming Languages and Tools of the Trade -

- **Programming** (or **coding**) is the process of **writing instructions** that a computer can understand and follow to perform tasks.
- Programming is just like a recipe and out is dish.
- Example-`print("Hello, world!")` this line shows the message hello world on the screen.
- What is program??

Ans- A **program** is something made with **code**.

It can be things like:

- A **website** (like Google),
- A **game** (like Minecraft),
- Or a **phone app** (like WhatsApp).
- When a program is **running**, it means the computer or phone is **doing what the code tells it to do**, step by step.
- The world's **first computer programmer** is widely considered to be **Ada Lovelace**.
- **Famous for:** Writing the **first algorithm** meant to be carried out by a machine.

• What are programming languages?

- **Ans-** Computers only understand **binary** (just 1s and 0s).

But writing in 1s and 0s is hard for humans. So we use **programming languages** to write instructions in a way that's easier for people to understand.

- Think of programming languages like a **translator** between humans and computers.
- **Fibonacci sequence-** The **Fibonacci sequence** is a list of numbers where:
 - The first number is **0**
 - The second number is **1**
 - After that, **each number is made by adding the two numbers before it**
 - Start with: 0
 - Next: 1

- Then: $0 + 1 = 1$
- Then: $1 + 1 = 2$
- Then: $1 + 2 = 3$
- Then: $2 + 3 = 5$
- Then: $3 + 5 = 8$
- Then: $5 + 8 = 13$
- Then: $8 + 13 = 21$
- Then: $13 + 21 = 34$
- First 10 numbers are 1,2,3,5,8,13,21,34.

○ Tools used by developers are -

○ **Editors**- where developers write code

○ **Browser**- Web developers rely on the browser to see how their code runs on the web. It's also used to display the visual elements of a web page that are written in the editor, like HTML..

○ **DevTools** (Developer Tools) are built-in tools in web browsers like **Chrome, Firefox, or Edge** that help developers **see what's happening inside a website**

○ **Version Control System**

○ **Programing Language like** javascript,python etc

2 Introduction to GitHub

• What is GitHub?

GitHub is a website and platform where developers can store, share, and collaborate on code.


It works with Git, a tool that keeps track of code changes. GitHub adds extra features like backups, collaboration, and a nice user interface.

- **Git** = A tool to track changes in your code (like saving versions)
- **GitHub** = A place online to store your code and work with others

Some basic git terms-

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Term	Simple Meaning
○ Repository (Repo)	A folder on GitHub where your project lives. It stores code, files, and the full history of changes.

<input type="radio"/> Commit	A saved snapshot of your code changes. Like a save point in your project.
<input type="radio"/> Push	Sends your commits (saved changes) from your computer to GitHub.
<input type="radio"/> Pull	Brings the latest changes from GitHub to your local machine.
<input type="radio"/> Clone	Copies a GitHub repo to your computer so you can work on it.
<input type="radio"/> Branch	A separate version of your code where you can work on new features without affecting the main code.
<input type="radio"/> Main (or Master)	The default branch of your project. Usually holds the final or production-ready code.
<input type="radio"/> Merge	Combines changes from one branch into another (often used to bring updates into the main branch).
<input type="radio"/> Pull Request (PR)	A request to merge code changes from one branch to another. Used for code review and collaboration.
<input type="radio"/> Fork	Makes a copy of someone else's GitHub repo under your own account so you can make changes.
<input type="radio"/> README	A file that describes your project—what it is, how to use it, etc. (written in Markdown: .md)
<input type="radio"/> Git	A tool used to track changes in your code. Git runs on your computer.
<input type="radio"/> Version Control System	A system that tracks changes in code over time and lets you go back to earlier versions. Git is one example.
<input type="radio"/> git init	Initializes a new Git repository in your project folder (starts version tracking).
<input type="radio"/> git add	Tells Git which files you want to include in your next commit (save).
<input type="radio"/> git commit -m "message"	Saves the added changes with a short message explaining what you did.
 <input type="radio"/> git config	Used to set your Git user information, like your name and email (needed for commits). Example: <code>git config --global user.name "Your Name"</code>

3 Accessibility Fundamentals-

What is Web Accessibility?

Web accessibility means making websites usable for everyone, including people with disabilities.

Imagine someone:

- who can't see (blind),
- who can't hear (deaf),

- who can't use a mouse (uses a keyboard or voice),
- or has trouble reading (cognitive disabilities).

Web accessibility ensures they can still use and enjoy websites.

Tools To Use-

1- 👁️ What is a Screen Reader?

A screen reader is a tool that reads out loud what's on the screen.

It helps people who are blind or have low vision use websites, apps, and computers.

🔊 How does it work?

- It reads the web page from top to bottom — out loud.
- If your page has text, it reads the text.

2- what is zoom??

- Another tool commonly used by people with vision impairments is zooming. The most basic type of zooming is static zoom, controlled through Control + plus sign (+) or by decreasing screen resolution. This type of zoom causes the entire page to resize, so using responsive design is important to provide a good user experience at increased zoom levels.
- Another type of zoom relies on specialized software to magnify one area of the screen and pan, much like using a real magnifying glass.

3- 🎨 What is Contrast?

- Contrast means the difference between text color and background color.
- ✅ High contrast = Easy to read (like black text on white)
- ❌ Low contrast = Hard to read (like light gray text on white)

Contrast checkers

Colors on web sites need to be carefully chosen to answer the needs of color-blind users or people who have difficulty seeing low-contrast colors.

- ✅ Test a web site you enjoy using for color usage with a browser extension such as WCAG's color checker. What do you learn?

3 🦋 What is Lighthouse?

Lighthouse is a tool built into your browser (like Chrome).

It checks how good a website is in different areas, like:

- ✅ Accessibility (can people with disabilities use it?)
 - 🚀 Performance (is it fast?)
 - 📱 Mobile friendly?
 - 🛡️ Safe to use?
- A 100% score is great, but real testing (like with screen readers) is still important.
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IT HELPS YOU TO IMPROVE YOUR WEB SITE

Good display principles

Color safe palettes

People see the world in different ways, and this includes colors. When selecting a color scheme for your site, you should ensure it's accessible to all.
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What is Semantic HTML?

Semantic HTML means using the right HTML tags for the right purpose.


Just like we use the right tools in real life (e.g., you wouldn't eat soup with a fork 🍴), we should also use the correct HTML elements when building web pages.

🎯 Why It Matters

Even though you can style anything to look like a button or link, screen readers (used by visually impaired users) and search engines rely on correct tags to understand your page.

For example:

- ✅ Use <a> for links
- ✅ Use <button> for buttons

-  Don't use `` or `<div>` just because they're easy to style

Why Headings Matter

Headings (like `<h1>`, `<h2>`, `<h3>`) are like chapter titles in a book.

They help organize content and make it easy to scan and navigate, especially for:

- Screen reader users
- Keyboard users
- Search engines

What Is a Heading Hierarchy?

A heading hierarchy is using headings in the right order:

ARIA

ARIA stands for **Accessible Rich Internet Applications**.

It's a set of **HTML attributes** that help make websites more understandable for people using **screen readers** (especially those who are blind or visually impaired).

Imagine a page like this:

Product	Description	Order
Widget	Description	Order
Super Widget	Description	Order

To a sighted user, this is clear:

- "Description" next to "Widget" means it's the description of Widget
- "Order" next to "Super Widget" means order that product

But a screen reader would just say:

"Description, Order, Description, Order..."

Without context — the user has no idea what product each one refers to.

✅ The Solution: ARIA (like aria-label)

You can add extra context using an ARIA attribute called aria-label.

📄 Example:

Instead of:

html

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<a href="description.html">Description</a>
```

Use:

html

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<a href="description.html" aria-label="Description of Widget">Description</a>
```

Now a screen reader would say:

“Description of Widget”

JavaScript Basics: Data Types

What is a Variable?

A **variable** is like a **box** where you can store some information (like a number or a word), and then use or change that information later in your code.

How to Create a Variable?

You write it like this:

```
let name;
```

This has two parts:

1. Keyword:
 - You write let or var.
 - We recommend using let because it's safer and newer (var is old-fashioned).
2. Variable Name:
 - You choose this. It's like naming your box.
 - Example: name, age, score

What is a Constant?

A **constant** is like a variable — it stores a value — **but you can't change it once it's set**

How to Declare a Constant

Use the const keyword:

```
const MY_VARIABLE = 123;
```

What is a Data Type?

A data type tells the computer what kind of value a variable holds — like text, number, or true/false.

Think of it like different kinds of boxes:

One for text, 📦 one for numbers, 📦 one for true/false answers, and so on.

JavaScript has 7 primitive (basic) data types:

Data Type	What it holds	Example
string	Text	"hello", 'zebra'
number	Numbers (whole or decimal)	5, -2, 3.14

bigint	Very big numbers	12345678901234567890n
boolean	True or false	true, false
undefined	A variable with no value yet	let x; → undefined
null	Empty or nothing on purpose	let x = null;
symbol	Unique value (for advanced use)	Symbol("id")

Example:

```
let name = "Zebra"; // string
let age = 5; // number
let isWild = true; // boolean
let bigNum = 12345678901234567890n; // bigint
let nothing = null; // null
let notSet; // undefined
```

Numbers in JavaScript

You can store any number in a variable:

```
let score = 100;
let price = 9.99;
let temperature = -5;
```

And you can do math with them too! Like:

```
let total = 10 + 5; // 15
```

Arithmetic Operators

There are several types of operators to use when performing arithmetic functions, and some are listed here:

Symbol	Description	Example
+	Addition: Calculates the sum of two numbers	1 + 2 //expected answer is 3
-	Subtraction: Calculates the difference of two numbers	1 - 2 //expected answer is -1
*	Multiplication: Calculates the product of two numbers	1 * 2 //expected answer is 2
/	Division: Calculates the quotient of two numbers	1 / 2 //expected answer is 0.5
%	Remainder: Calculates the remainder from the division of two numbers	1 % 2 //expected answer is 1

- **Strings**
- A string is just text wrapped in quotes.

- Examples:
- `'Hello' 'World' '123'`
- You can also store a string in a variable:
- `let message = "Hello, world!";`
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- **Joining Strings (Concatenation)**
- You can combine strings using the `+` sign:
- `let first = "Hello"; let second = "World"; let combined = first + " " + second + "!"; // Hello World!`
- Why does `'1' + '1'` give 11?
- Because:
- `'1'` is a string, not a number.
- When you `+` two strings, it just sticks them together \rightarrow `'1' + '1' = '11'`
- But:
- `1 + 1 // 2` (number + number) `'1' + 1 // '11'` (string + number = string!)
- JavaScript treats everything like a string if at least one part is a string!
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- **Template Literals**

- Instead of using `+`, you can use **backticks** ``` like this:
- `let name = "Alice"; let message = `Hello, ${name}!`; // Hello, Alice!`
- It's cleaner and easier when combining many variables or using line breaks.
- When to use what?

Use this	When
<code>"quotes"</code>	Just writing a simple string
<code>+</code>	Combining small strings
<code>`template \${literals}`</code>	Combining variables or making multi-line strings

- **Booleans**

- A **Boolean** is either:
- true (yes)
- false (no)
- Examples:
- `let isSunny = true; let isRaining = false;`
- Booleans are used to help **make decisions** in code. For example
- `if (isSunny) { console.log("Go outside!"); }`