

Links

The <a> tags are used to create link elements. Links can take the user to other parts of the document or another document entirely. For example, here is a link to Sonnet 29 further down the page. Here is a link to Sonnet 29 on wikipedia.

Relative and Absolute

Links can either be relative or absolute. Absolute links contain the full address of the resource being linked to. For example, the link to Sonnet 29 on wikipedia above is an absolute link, as it links to a resource on a completely different website. Links to other websites must always be absolute. Relative links link to content on the same website. For example, here is a link to the previous example looking at headings, paragraphs and line breaks.

In the previous example, we used 'lorem ipsum' text to fill up space to see how our paragraphs looked. If you don't know the lorem ipsum text off by heart, you can generate paragraphs and paragraphs of it at <a href="https://linearchy.org/l

Other link attributes

We can use the "target" attribute to change where the link is opened. Most typically, this is used to open a link in a new window, by setting the attribute value to "_blank". For example, this link to the documentation about the <a> element on the Mozilla Developer Network opens in a new window.

We can use the "download" attribute to specify a filename for a link we intend to be downloaded rather than opened in a browser. For example, we may want to download a pdf rather than opening it.

Sonnet 29

When in disgrace with Fortune and men's eyes, all alone beweep my outcast state,
And trouble deaf heaven with my bootless cries,
And look upon myself and curse my fate,
Wishing me like to one more rich in hope,
Featured like him, like him with friends possess'd,
Desiring this man's art, and that man's scope,
With what I most enjoy contented least.
Yet in these thoughts myself almost despising,
Haply I think on thee, and then my state,
Like to the lark at break of day arising
From sullen earth, sings hymns at heaven's gate;
For thy sweet love remember'd such wealth brings
That then I scorn to change my state with kings.

Heading Level 4

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