# INTRODUCTION TO HTML

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#### WHAT WE NEED TO GET STARTED (TEXT EDITOR)

### Step 1: Open Notepad (PC)

Windows 8 or later: Open the Start Screen (the window symbol at the bottom left on your screen). Type Notepad.

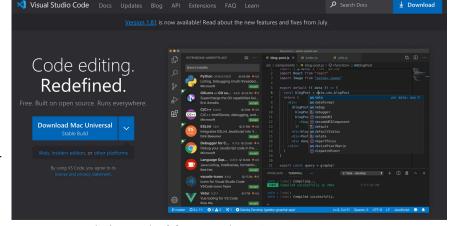
Windows 7 or earlier: Open Start > Programs > Accessories > Notepad

# Step 1: Open TextEdit (Mac)

Open Finder > Applications > TextEdit

Also change some preferences to get the application to save files correctly.

In Preferences > Format > choose "Plain Text"



Then under "Open and Save", check the box that says "Display HTML files as HTML code instead of formatted text".

Then open a new document to place the code.

BUT we are going to opt to use <u>Vscode</u> since it comes with more power and you can write many languages in it.

### INTRODUCTION

HTML is the standard markup language for creating Web pages.

- HTML stands for Hyper Text Markup Language
- HTML is the standard markup language for creating Web pages
- HTML describes the structure of a Web page
- HTML consists of a series of elements
- HTML elements tell the browser how to display the content
- HTML elements label pieces of content such as "this is a heading", "this is a paragraph", "this is a link", etc.

# **Example HTML code**

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<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<title>Page Title</title>
</head>
<body>
<h1>My First Heading</h1>
My first paragraph.
</body>
</html>
```

# **Example explained**

- The <!DOCTYPE html> declaration defines that this document is an HTML5 document
- The <html> element is the root element of an HTML page
- The <head> element contains meta information about the HTML page
- The <title> element specifies a title for the HTML page (which is shown in the browser's title bar or in the page's tab)
- The <body> element defines the document's body, and is a container for all the visible contents, such as headings, paragraphs, images, hyperlinks, tables, lists, etc.
- The <h1> element defines a large heading
- The element defines a paragraph

#### **HTML Element**

An HTML element is defined by a start tag, some content, and an end tag: <tagname> Content... </tagname>

The HTML element is everything from the start tag to the end tag:

<h1>My First Heading</h1>My first paragraph.

#### **Web Browsers**

The purpose of a web browser (Chrome, Edge, Firefox, Safari) is to read HTML documents and display them correctly. A browser does not display the HTML tags, but uses them to determine how to display the document:



# **HTML Page Structure**

<html></html>	
<head></head>	
<title>Page title</title>	
<body></body>	
<h1>This is a heading</h1>	
This is a paragraph.	
This is another paragraph.	

#### **HTML Document**

All HTML documents must start with a document type declaration: <!DOCTYPE html>.

The HTML document itself begins with <a href="html">html</a> and ends with <a href="html">html</a>.

The visible part of the HTML document is between <body> and </body>.

The <!DOCTYPE> declaration represents the document type, and helps browsers to display web pages correctly.

It must only appear once, at the top of the page (before any HTML tags).

#### **HTML Headings**

HTML headings are defined with the  $\frac{h1}{to}$  to  $\frac{h6}{to}$  tags.

<h1>This is heading 1</h1>

<h2>This is heading 2</h2>

<h3>This is heading 3</h3>

### HTML Paragraphs

HTML paragraphs are defined with the tag:

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This is a paragraph.
```

This is another paragraph.

#### HTML Links

HTML links are defined with the <a> tag: <a href="https://www.w3schools.com">This is a link</a>

The link's destination is specified in the **href** attribute.

Attributes are used to provide additional information about HTML elements.

# HTML Images

HTML images are defined with the <img> tag. The source file (src), alternative text (alt), width, and height are provided as attributes:

<img src="w3schools.jpg" alt="W3Schools.com" width="104" height="142">

# **HTML Styles**

The HTML style attribute is used to add styles to an element, such as color, font, size, and more.

### The HTML Style Attribute

Setting the style of an HTML element, can be done with the style attribute. The HTML style attribute has the following syntax: <tagname style="property:value;">. The property is a CSS property. The value is a CSS value.

# Background Color

The CSS background-color property defines the background color for an HTML element.

```
<br/>
<br/>
<br/>
h1>This is a heading</h1><br/>
This is a paragraph.</body>
```

#### Text Color

The CSS color property defines the text color for an HTML element:

<h1 style="color:blue;">This is a heading</h1> This is a paragraph.

#### **Fonts**

The CSS font-family property defines the font to be used for an HTML element:

<h1 style="font-family:verdana;">This is a heading</h1> This is a paragraph.

#### **Text Size**

The CSS font-size property defines the text size for an HTML element:

<h1 style="font-size:300%;">This is a heading</h1> This is a paragraph.

### Text Alignment

The CSS text-align property defines the horizontal text alignment for an HTML element:

<h1 style="text-align:center;">Centered Heading</h1> Centered paragraph.