# UX LAB CSS FOR DESIGNERS

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### BEFORE WE START

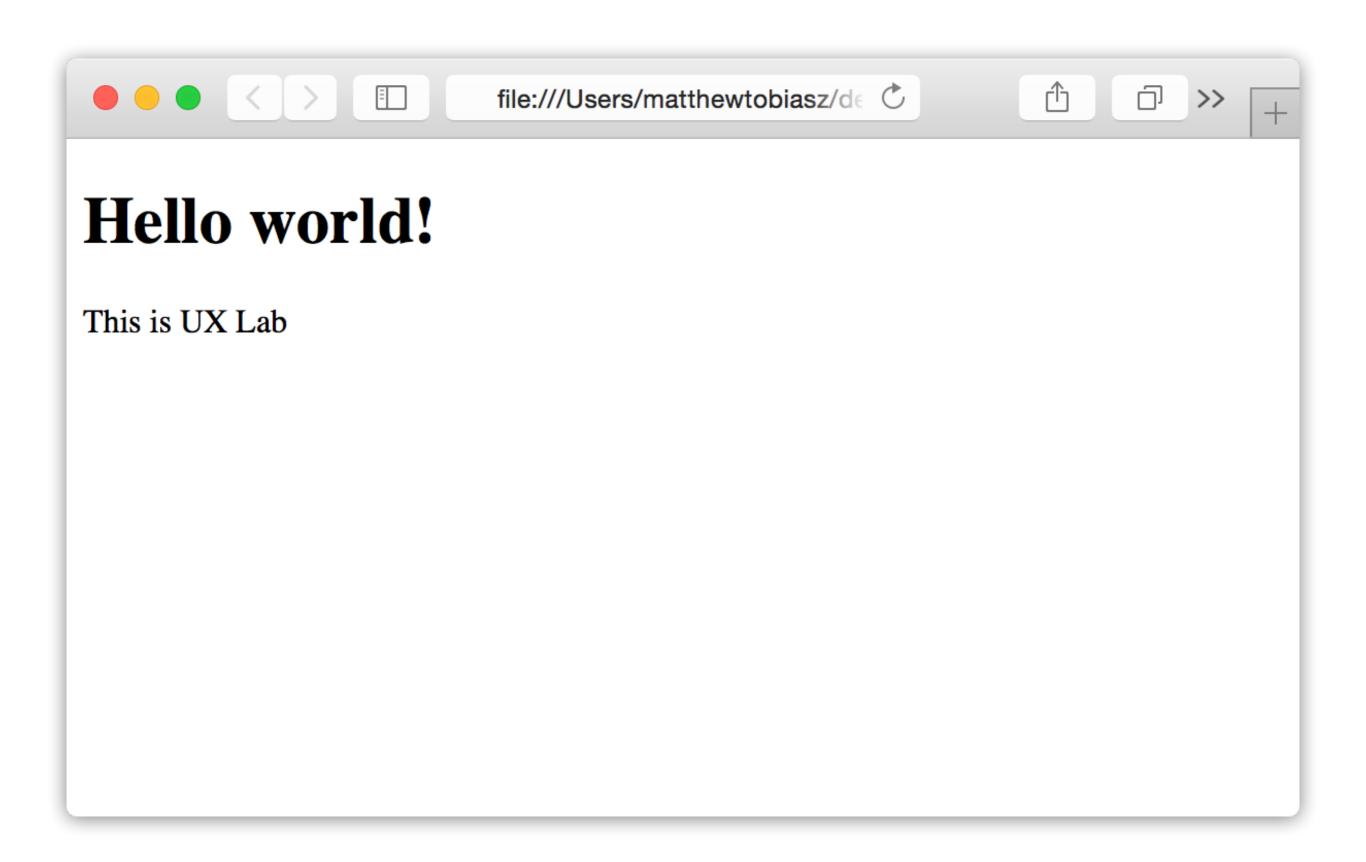
HTML5

## 

#### **HYPERTEXT MARKUP LANGUAGE (HTML)**

```
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 1 <!DOCTYPE html>
    <html lang="en">
    <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
 5 < title>This is a title</title>
 6 </head>
   · · <body>
   <h1>Hello world!</h1>
        This is UX Lab
    </body>
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    </html>
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                                              HTML
```

#### **HYPERTEXT MARKUP LANGUAGE (HTML)**



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CSS3 ● Using CSS: Inline, <head>, k> ● Priority ● Don't Repeat Yourself

## **CSS**





The language for **building** web pages



The language for **styling** web pages

#### **ADDING CSS TO HTML**

- Inline style attribute
- In the <head>
- External <link>

#### INLINE

```
. .
                                       index.html
index.html
   <!DOCTYPE HTML>
   <html>
  4
   <head>
   <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8" />
      <title>UX Lab: Roller Coasters</title>
   </head>
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   <body>
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   <header class="header">
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   <h1 style="font: 24px arial; color: #EF5BA1; text-transform: uppercase;">UX Lab:</h1>
   <h2 style="font: 18px arial; color: black;">Roller Coasters</h2>
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   </header>
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       <a href="#">El Toro</a>
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      <\li style="display: inline-block;"><a href="#">Fury 325</a>
   <a href="#">Your menu</a>
   ..../ul>
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   </nav>
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#### <head>

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    display: inline-block;
 21 ....}
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    </style>
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 23 ····</style>
 24 </head>
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 26 <body>
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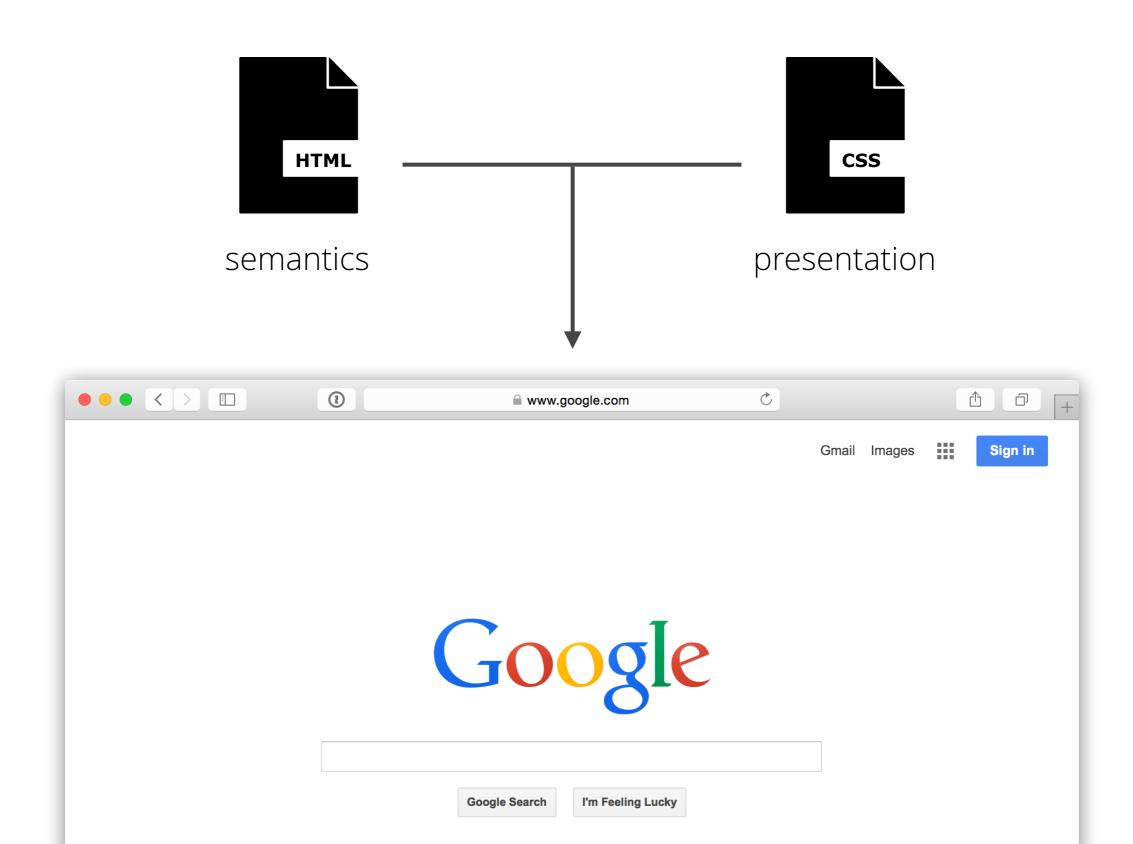
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   <head>
   <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8" />
    <link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="./styles/main.css">
       <title>UX Lab: Roller Coasters</title>
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#### SEPARATION OF CONCERNS

Putting your CSS in a separate file splits meaning from looks



#### **STYLE PRIORITY**



- i. Using !important
- ii. Inline style attribute
- iii. Top of HTML file in the <head>
- iv. External file specified by <link>

#### **DON'T REPEAT YOURSELF (DRY)**

- Avoid repetition
- Duplication is waste
- Hard to maintain and update
- Hard to debug and fix
- Less actual code

#### **LOTS OF DUPLICATION**

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## CSS SYNTAX

CSS Rule Set ● Selector ● Declaration ● Property ● Value

#### **CASCADING STYLE SHEETS (CSS)**

```
h1 {
  color: red;
  font-size: 18px;
  padding: 10px 5px;
}
```

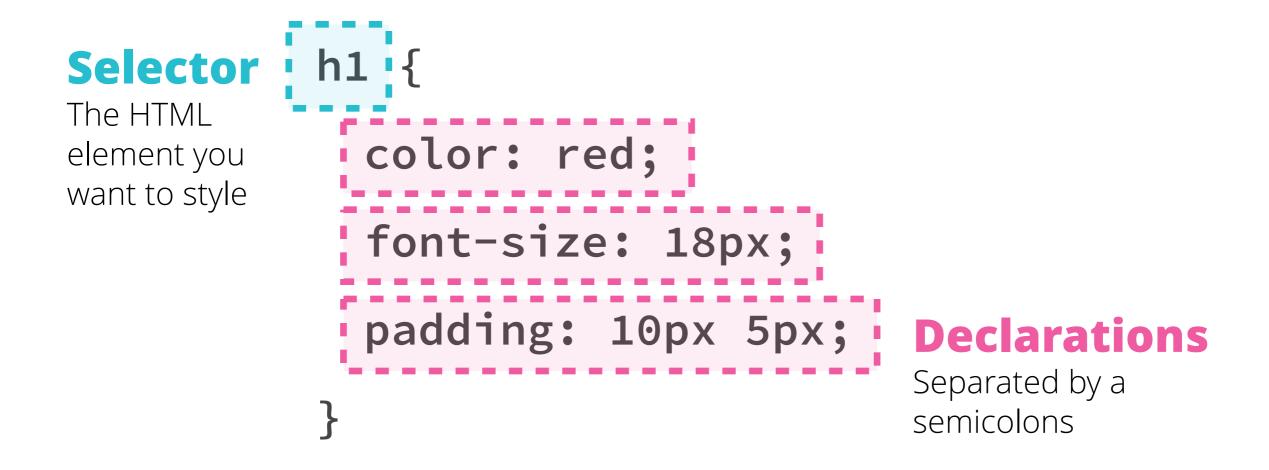
#### **CSS SYNTAX**

#### **CSS Rule Set**

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#### **CSS RULE**

A CSS rule set consists of a selector and a declaration block



#### **Selector**

#### **Description**

#item-id Element with id "item-id"

\* All elements

div All <div>

div \* All elements within <div>

div span <span> within <div>

div, span All <div> and <span>

div > span <span> with parent <div>

div + span <span> preceded by <div>

div.class "class"

div#item-id <div> with id "item-id"

a[attr] <a> with attribute "attr"

See: <u>CSS Selector Reference</u> for complete list

#### **CSS RULE**

Declarations include a property name and a value, always ending in a semicolon

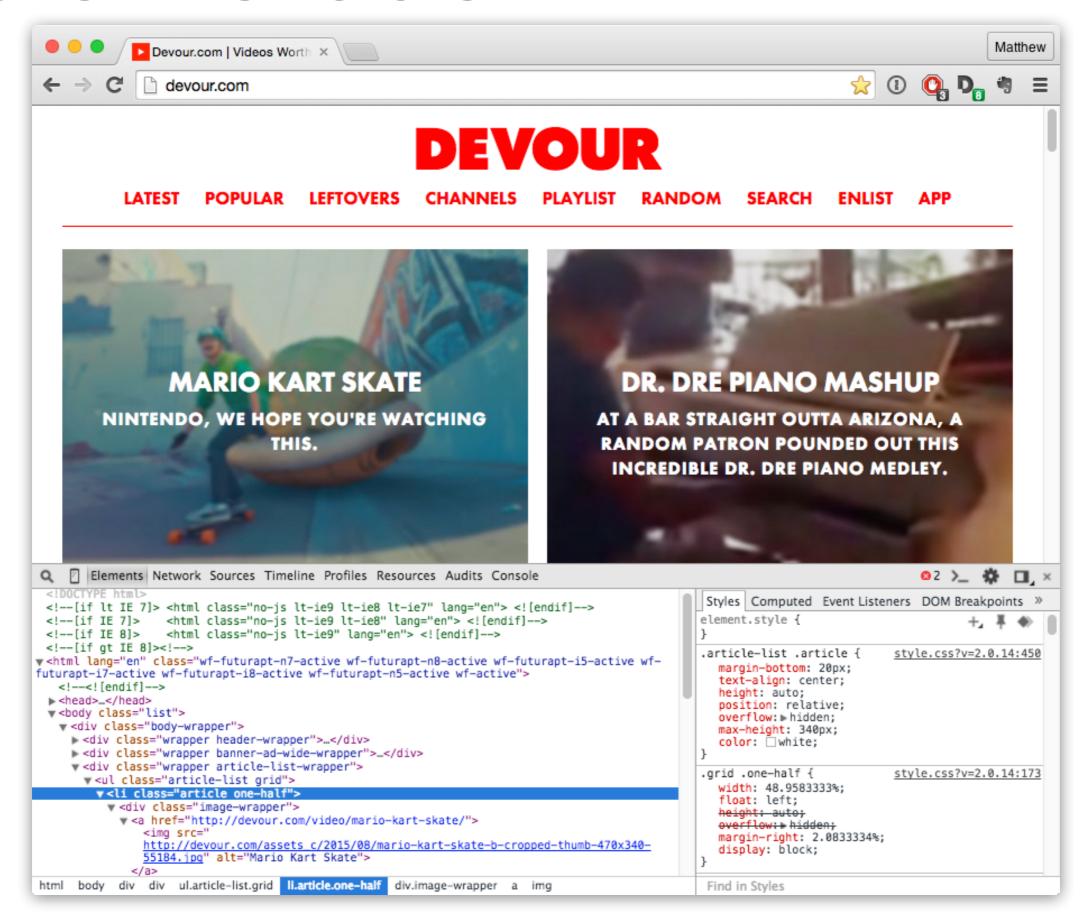
```
h1 {
      color: red;
      font-size: 18px;

Property padding: 10px 5px; Value
}
```

### GETTING STARTED

Browser Inspectors • UX Lab Example

#### **BROWSER INSPECTORS**



#### **UX LAB EXAMPLE**



github.com/matthewtobiasz/ux-lab

git.io/vs1Lo

## NEXT STEPS

Online Courses • CSS Book • UX Lab - Part Two

#### **ONLINE COURSE: HTML & CSS**



HTML & CSS

Learn how to create websites by structuring and styling your pages with HTML and CSS.

**START** 

4.5m+ enrolled students

7 Hours estimated course time

Beginner required technical level

www.codecademy.com/en/tracks/web

#### **ONLINE COURSE: CSS CROSS-COUNTRY**



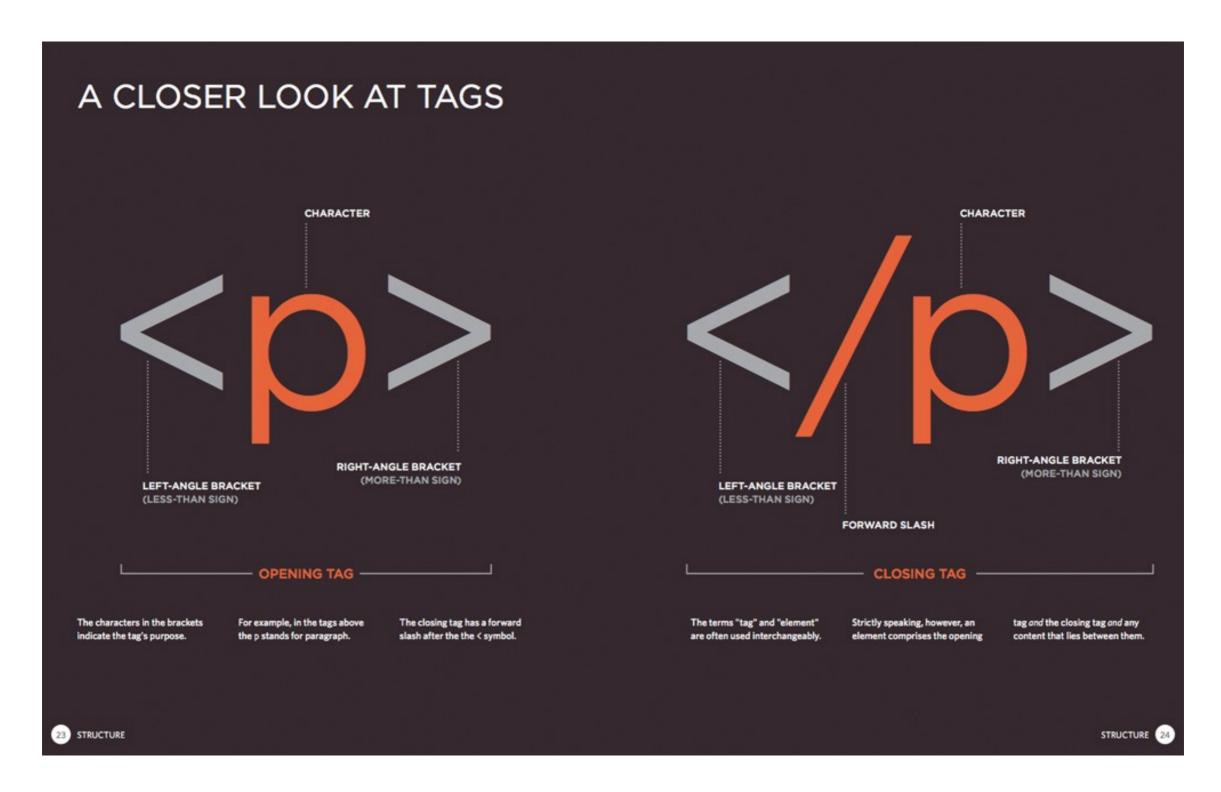
www.codeschool.com/courses/css-cross-country

#### HTML&CSS

design and build websites

JON DUCKETT

#### **BOOK: HTML & CSS**



www.htmlandcssbook.com

## UX LAB PART TWO

To Be Continued

# THANKS FOR LISTENING

## APPENDIX

#### !important

- ! important is bad practice:
  - It breaks the natural flow of the cascade
  - It ignores subsequent rules and usual specificity
  - It's hard to debug
  - Can break accessibility software
  - If you think you need it, think again
- Don't use it ♣

CSS3

Taxonomy & Status (October 2014)

W3C Recommendation

Candidate Recommendation

Last Call

Working Draft

Obsolete or inactive

