# Absolute Beginner's Guide to Web Development!

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## **Group Introductions**

- Name
- Department
- What you hope to get out of today's session
- Favorite hobby

## **Research Time**

Break into groups of 2 or 3 (partner with someone you don't know:))

Hint: Google and W3Schools.com are great resources!

For each of the following, please share a brief definition and its role in front end web development:

- 1. Group 1: HTML
- 2. Group 2: CSS
- 3. Group 3: JavaScript

# HTML - hypertext markup language

## What is HTML?

Hypertext Markup Language - Made up of tags, content and hyperlinks

Skeleton of the web - without HTML, we cannot see the content on your web pages!

Tag Examples: <strong> <em> <div>

Semantic Tags: <aside> <article> <section> <nav>

http://www.w3schools.com/tags/

## HTML Page Breakdown - Document Kickoff and the <head> Section

Includes <meta> tags, references to external content (CSS documents, JavaScript files), title for the page)

## What's the deal with <!DOCTYPE>

The <!DOCTYPE html> declaration is an instruction about which version of HTML the page is written in.

Currently, HTML is on version 5.x. Using <!DOCTYPE html> tells the browser that your page content is utilizing the latest version of HTML. Check w3.org for more information.

## <head> (shoulders, knees, toes)...

The <head> section includes all of the information the page needs to load. An example of content within a <head> section follows:

```
<head>
           <meta charset="UTF-8">
           <meta name="description" content="Training Website">
           <meta name="keywords" content="HTML,CSS,JavaScript">
           <meta name="author" content="Shonna Dorsey">
            <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
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           <title>My Page</title>
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           <link rel="stylesheet" href="css/style.css" />
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           <script src="https://code.jquery.com/jquery-3.3.1.js"></script>
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           <script src="js/script.js"></script</pre>
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       </head>
```

### <meta> - data about data

<meta> tags are used for indexing, searching, etc. The more (relevant) information here, the better.

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One other important new attribute in the <meta> section is the 'viewport' attribute. Viewport is important in Responsive Web Design because it describes the page appearance based on the device size.

From w3schools, the example on the left is what a page looks like without viewport:



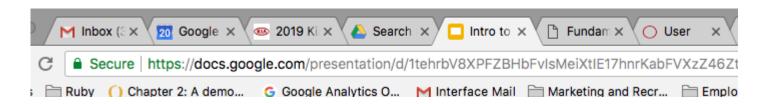
Without the viewport meta tag



With the viewport meta tag

## <title> - friendly name for ugly URLs

Every time you load a web page, you will see a 'friendly name' in the tab for the page. Here's a screenshot from my current tabs (I know. It's a lot:))



Each of those tabs appears with a 'friendly name' because of the title tag. Make it meaningful. Keep it short.

## **External Content - CSS References**

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This practice is **ok** for small projects. I recommend storing CSS and JS in external files - much easier to manage.

For CSS the format is:

<link rel="stylesheet" href="css/style.css" />

- rel = relationship
- href= hyperlink reference
- /> = self closing tag.

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#### For JS, the format is:

- 1. <!--library reference-->
- 2. <script src="https://code.jquery.com/jquery-3.3.1.js"></script>
- *<!--custom file-->*
- 4. <script src="js/script.js"></script>

## Let's review in Github

- Visit the following page: github.com
- Click the sign in button:
  - Username: mooweb
  - Password: Pass@word123!
- Once you are signed in, go to the following link: tiny.cc/oct18-files
- Click on your name
- Click on index.html to view the <head> section

## <body> section - where your content appears

#### Think about it like this:

- <head>: info the page needs to load (brain of the page behind the scenes)
- <body>: visible content on the page (visible attributes of a person hair, clothes, shoes, etc.)

## <body> content - images, text, links...oh my!

The <body> section is made up of tags, attributes and content. A couple of examples follow:

#### **Bold Text**

Before bold <strong>bold text</strong> after bold

All of the content between the opening and closing <strong> tags will be **bold** in your

#### browser

#### **Linked Text**

<a href = "http://google.com">Best Search Engine!</a>

a = anchor, href=hyperlink reference, Best Search Engine = visible text, </a> = closing tag

#### **Images**

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Format: <img src="image link" alt="helper text for broken links/accessibility purposes"/>
```

**Example:** <img src="img/picture.jpg" alt="Beach Photo"/>

img = image tag

src =link to image file

**alt** = text that appears if the image doesn't show up. Can also be used by screen readers for accessibility purposes.

#### **Text**

You can use tags to add text to a page and line breaks <br/> to add a single line of text between content. Examples:

- 1. Here is some text. A little more text. Just a little more text.
- 2. <br/>
- 3. Adding one more line of content below the first line and closing out the paragraph

#### **Comments**

Helpful notes which do not appear on a live web page, are called comments. Comment notation follows:

<!--here is a hidden comment--> This text (outside of the <!--comment-->), will appear on the page!

#### Lists

#### There are two list types:

- ul> Unordered lists (bulleted lists)
- Ordered lists (numbered lists)

#### **Unordered List Example**

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Bread

Cheese

#### **Ordered List Example**

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Heat Skillet

Cook Grilled Cheese

#### Headings

Default heading sizes are <h1> - largest through <h6> - smallest. These tags are used to highlight important summary data within your HTML documents.

#### **Example Input:**

#### **Example Output:**

<h2>Grilled Cheese Ingredients</h2>

Bread

Cheese

Bacon

#### **Grilled Cheese Ingredients**

- Bread
- Cheese
- Bacon

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- Click on index.html to view the <body> section
  - Let's update the text, images and links

## **CSS - Cascading Style Sheets**

## Cascading Style Sheets - Pretty up the html

A Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) is used to add fonts, color, spacing, responsive design components, animations, etc., to html documents

CSS format follows:

| Format     |                  | Example  |
|------------|------------------|--|
| selector { |                  | p{   |
|            | property: value; | color: red;  |
| }          |                  | font-size: 2em; /*an em = 16px. Used for responsive sizing*/ |

## Customizing a single element/group of elements

In HTML, use ID and class attributes to customize CSS content. A couple of examples follow:

#### **Example (Bold and Gold Text)**

- **HTML:** <strong>Gold text.</strong> Text without formatting.
- **CSS:** p { color: gold; }
- Output: Gold text. Text without formatting.

## Let's review in Github

- Once you are signed in, go to the following link:
  - tiny.cc/oct18-files
- Click on your name
- Click on the css folder, then style.css to view the custom CSS file:
  - Let's update the font color, font size, background color, and image corners of elements in the index.html document

## jQuery - write less. do more.

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JavaScript is a powerful and flexible scripting language, but can be intimidating for new developers. jQuery is an excellent entry point into interactive front-end web development.

The tagline for jQuery is 'Write less. Do more.'

In this section of the deck, we are going to walk through setting up a jQuery document and customizing a couple of simple functions.

## jQuery Setup - index.html and script.js

In our index.html file, you will notice a reference to a jQuery library hosted by jquery.com through a Content Delivery Network or CDN.

The library reference **must appear before** the custom file. Think about it like checking out a book from the library

## jQuery Methods, Functions, etc.

jQuery methods, functions, etc., can be activated upon page load or after the user interacts with your page in a predefined way.

**Example: Display hidden images when the page loads:** 

```
$('img').fadeIn(slow);
```

Example: Hide images when a user clicks a button:

```
$('button').click(function(){
$('img').fadeOut(fast);
```

## Let's review in Github

- Once you are signed in, go to the following link:
  - tiny.cc/oct18-files
- Click on your name
- Click on the js folder, then script.js to view the custom JS file:
  - Let's make it so all images on the page disappear when we click the button
  - Let's hide the background image on the page (<body>) when the page loads

## **Project Time!**

Go to the following link to view documentation for our lab:

tiny.cc/oct18-files

## Thank you!!