## Notepad++ as your HTML Editor

Go to <a href="https://notepad-plus-plus.org/">https://notepad-plus-plus.org/</a> to find the download for your computer. If you don't know which version to install, simply use the first option.

[If you are a Mac user, check out <a href="http://beebom.com/notepad-for-mac-os-x/">http://beebom.com/notepad-for-mac-os-x/</a> for Mac alternatives or use Aptana. However, you should know that, to complete many of the courses in the P & A or Networking departments, you will need access to a PC or need to install a PC emulator on a Mac. Your instructor cannot help you with Mac-related questions.]

After you install it, the icon should look like this:

Open the program. You will see a blank screen. For Exercise 2-3 (your homework), find the file from the student downloads. The file you need for this homework is in the **exercises** folder  $\rightarrow$  **ch02**. So open the file named **template.html**.

Your screen in Notepad++ will look like this:

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template.html
      <!DOCTYPE html>
    <meta charset="utf-8">
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          <title>Title goes here</title>
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          <link rel="stylesheet" href="">
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     -</body>
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Save this file as **testpage.html** on your computer.

Next create a new CSS page. Go to **File** → **New** in Notepad++ and then open the **template.css** file from your student downloads. Your screen should look like this:

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Save this file as **testpage.css** on your computer.

Follow the instructions in the Lab Manual to add your content as instructed in the Manual and follow the instructions in Module 2 to upload both pages to the ITE server. Feel free to experiment with adding extra content or styles.

You've now started to use Notepad++ to design a website!