**HTML Editors**

## **Learn HTML Using Notepad or TextEdit**

Web pages can be created and modified by using professional HTML editors.

However, for learning HTML we recommend a simple text editor like Notepad (PC) or TextEdit (Mac).

We believe that using a simple text editor is a good way to learn HTML.

Follow the steps below to create your first web page with Notepad or TextEdit.

## **Step 1: Open Notepad (for windows)**

* **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**

## **Open TextEdit (for 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.**

## **Step 2: Write Some HTML**

Write or copy the following HTML code into Notepad:

<html>  
<body>  
  
 h1>My First Heading</h1>  
  
 <p>My first paragraph.</p>  
  
</body>  
</html>

## **Step 3: Save the HTML Page**

Save the file on your computer. Select **File > Save as** in the Notepad menu.

Name the file **"index.htm"** and set the encoding to **UTF-8** (which is the preferred encoding for HTML files).

## **Step 4: View the HTML Page in Your Browser**

Open the saved HTML file in your favorite browser (double click on the file, or right-click - and choose "Open with").