HTML Attributes

HTML attributes provide additional information about HTML elements. They are always included in the opening tag of an element and usually come in name/value pairs like name="value".

Common HTML Attributes

id

Specifies a unique id for an element.

```
<div id="header"></div>
```

class

Specifies one or more class names for an element (used for CSS and JavaScript).

style

Specifies an inline CSS style for an element.

```
<div style="color:blue;"></div>
```

title

Specifies extra information about an element (displayed as a tooltip).

```
<abbr title="World Health Organization">WHO</abbr>
```

href

Specifies the URL of a link.

```
<a href="https://www.example.com">Visit Example</a>
```

src

Specifies the URL of an image.

```
<img src="image.jpg" alt="My Image">
```

alt

Provides alternative text for an image, if the image cannot be displayed.

```
<img src="image.jpg" alt="A beautiful scenery">
```

name

Specifies the name of an element (used for form elements).

```
<input type="text" name="username">
```

value

Specifies the value of an input element.

```
<input type="text" value="John">
```

placeholder

Provides a hint that describes the expected value of an input field.

```
<input type="text" placeholder="Enter your name">
```

disabled

Disables an element.

```
<input type="text" disabled>
```

readonly

Specifies that an input field is read-only.

```
<input type="text" readonly>
```

checked

Specifies that an input element should be pre-selected when the page loads (for checkboxes and radio buttons).

```
<input type="checkbox" checked>
```

target

Specifies where to open the linked document.

```
<a href="https://www.example.com" target="_blank">Visit Example</a>
```

rel

Specifies the relationship between the current document and the linked document.

```
<a href="https://www.example.com" rel="noopener">Visit Example</a>
```

maxlength

Specifies the maximum number of characters allowed in an input field.

```
<input type="text" maxlength="10">
```

minlength

Specifies the minimum number of characters required in an input field.

```
<input type="text" minlength="5">
```

pattern

Specifies a regular expression that the input field's value must match.

```
<input type="text" pattern="[A-Za-z]{3}">
```

type

Specifies the type of an input element.

```
<input type="email">
```

data-* attributes

Used to store custom data private to the page or application.

```
<div data-user-id="12345"></div>
```

Global Attributes

accesskey

Specifies a shortcut key to activate/focus an element.

```
<button accesskey="s">Submit</button>
```

contenteditable

Specifies whether the content of an element is editable or not.

```
<div contenteditable="true">Edit me</div>
```

dir

Specifies the text direction for the content in an element.

```
This text is right-to-left.
```

hidden

Specifies that an element is not yet, or is no longer, relevant.

```
<div hidden>This won't be visible</div>
```

lang

Specifies the language of the element's content.

```
Hello
```

spellcheck

Specifies whether the element is to have its spelling and grammar checked or not.

```
Check my spelling.
```

tabindex

Specifies the tab order of an element.

```
<input type="text" tabindex="1">
```

translate

Specifies whether the content of an element should be translated or not.

This text will not be translated.