HTML Tutorial

HTML stands for Hyper Text Markup Language, which is the most widely used language on Web to develop web pages. HTML was created by Berners-Lee in late 1991 but "HTML 2.0" was the first standard HTML specification which was published in 1995. HTML 4.01 was a major version of HTML and it was published in late 1999. Though it is widely used but currently we are having HTML-5 version which is an extension to HTML 4.01, and this version was published in 2012.

Hello World using HTML.

Applications of HTML

HTML is one of the most widely used languages over the web. Its applications are:

- **Web pages development** HTML is used to create pages which are rendered over the web. Almost every page of web is having html tags in it to render its details in browser.
- **Internet Navigation** HTML provides tags which are used to navigate from one page to another and is heavily used in internet navigation.
- Responsive UI HTML pages now-a-days works well on all platform, mobile, tabs, desktop or laptops owing to responsive design strategy.

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- Offline support HTML pages once loaded can be made available offline on the machine without any need of internet.
- **Game development** HTML5 has native support for rich experience and is now useful in gaming developent arena as well.

HTML - Overview

HTML stands for <u>Hypertext Markup Language</u>, and it is the most widely used language to write Web Pages.

- **Hypertext** refers to the way in which Web pages (HTML documents) are linked together. Thus, the link available on a webpage is called Hypertext.
- As its name suggests, HTML is a Markup Language which means you use HTML to simply "mark-up" a text document with tags that tell a Web browser how to structure it to display.

Basic HTML Document

In its simplest form, following is an example of an HTML document -

This will produce following result

This is a heading

Document content goes here.....

HTML Tags

HTML is a markup language and makes use of various tags to format the content. These tags are enclosed within angle braces <**Tag Name>**. Except few tags, most of the tags have their corresponding closing tags. For example, <**html>** has its closing tag <**/html>** and <**body>** tag has its closing tag <**/body>** tag etc.

Above example of HTML document uses the following tags -

Sr.No	Tag & Description	
1	This tag defines the document type and HTML version.	
2	<html></html> This tag encloses document header which is represented by <head></head> and document body which is represented by <body></body> tags.	

3	<pre><head> This tag represents the document's header which can keep other HTML tags like <title>, link> etc.</pre></th></tr><tr><td>4</td><td><title> The <title> tag is used inside the <head> tag to mention the document title.</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>
 lt represents the document's body which keeps other HTML tags like <h1>, <div>, etc.</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td><h1> This tag represents the heading.</td></tr><tr><td>7</td><td>This tag represents a paragraph.</td></tr></tbody></table></title></head></pre>
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World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) recommends to use lowercase tags starting.

The <!DOCTYPE> Declaration

The <!DOCTYPE> declaration tag is used by the web browser to understand the version of the HTML used in the document. Current version of HTML is 5 and it makes use of the following declaration –

<!DOCTYPE html>

There are many other declaration types which can be used in HTML document depending on what version of HTML is being used.

HTML - Basic Tags

Heading Tags

HTML also has six levels of headings, <h1>, <h2>, <h3>, <h4>, <h5>, and <h6>. While displaying heading browser adds one line before & one line after the heading.

This will produce the following result –

This is heading 1

This is heading 2

This is heading 3

This is heading 4

This is heading 5

This is heading 6

Paragraph Tag

The tag offers a way to structure your text into different paragraphs. Each paragraph of text should go in between an opening and a closing tag

```
</html>
```

This will produce the following result –

Here is a first paragraph of text.

Line Break Tag

Whenever you use the **
br />** element, anything following it starts from the next line. This tag is an example of an **empty** element, where you do not need opening and closing tags, as there is nothing to go in between them.

This will produce the following result –

```
Hello
```

You delivered paper on time.

Thanks

Centering Content

Use **<center>** tag to put any content in the center of the page or any table cell.

This will produce following result -

This text is not in the center.

This text is in the center.

Horizontal Lines

The **<hr>>** tag creates a line from the current position to the right margin. To give a line between two paragraphs as in the given example below –

This will produce the following result -

```
This is paragraph one and should be on top
```

This is paragraph two and should be at bottom

<hr /> tag is an example of the **empty** element, where you do not need opening and closing tags, as there is nothing to go in between them.

Preserve Formatting

Any text between the and tag will preserve the formatting of the source document i.e. the exact format of how it is written in the HTML document.

This will produce the following result –

```
function testFunction( strText ) {
   alert (strText)
}
```

Nonbreaking Spaces

In cases, where you do not want the client browser to break text, you should use a nonbreaking space entity ** **; instead of a normal space.

This will produce the following result -

An example of this technique appears in the movie "12 Angry Men."

HTML - Elements

An **HTML** element is defined by a starting tag, content and a closing tag.

Start tag	content	End tag
	paragraph content	
<h1></h1>	heading content	
<div></div>	division content	

So here is an HTML element, <h1>...</h1> is another HTML element. Some elements which don't need to be closed, such as <img.../>, <hr/> and
 elements.

Nested HTML Elements

It is allowed to keep one HTML element inside another HTML element –

This will display the following result –

This is *italic* heading

This is underlined paragraph

HTML - Attributes

Most of the HTML tags can also have attributes, which are extra bits of information.

An attribute is used to define the characteristics of an HTML element and is placed inside the element's opening tag. All attributes are made up of two parts – a **name** and a **value**

- The **name** is the property you want to set. \
- The **value** is what you want the value of the property to be set and always put within quotations.

Attribute names and attribute values are case-insensitive. values in their HTML 4 recommendation.

This will display the following result –

This is left aligned

This is center aligned

This is right aligned

Core Attributes

The four core attributes that can be used on the majority of HTML elements are –

- Id
- Title
- Class
- Style

The Id Attribute

The **id** attribute of an HTML tag can be used to uniquely identify any element within an HTML page.

Example

```
This para explains what is HTML
```

```
This explains what is Cascading Style Sheet
```

The title Attribute

The **title** attribute gives a suggested title for the element. It is often displayed as a tooltip when cursor comes over the element or while the element is loading.

This will produce the following result –

Titled Heading Tag Example

Bring cursor over "Titled Heading Tag Example" and you will see that title you used in your code is coming out as a tooltip of the cursor.

The class Attribute

The **class** attribute is used to associate an element with a style sheet, and specifies the class of element. The value of the attribute may also be a space-separated list of class names.

```
class = "className1 className2 className3"
```

The style Attribute

The style attribute allows to specify Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) rules within the element.

This will produce the following result –

Some text...

Internationalization Attributes

There are three internationalization attributes, which are available for most (although not all) XHTML elements.

dir

- lang
- xml:lang

The dir Attribute

The **dir** attribute allows you to indicate to the browser about the direction in which the text should flow. The dir attribute can take one of two values

Value	Meaning
ltr	Left to right (the default value)
rtl	Right to left (for languages such as Hebrew or Arabic that read right to left)

This will produce the following result –

This is how IE 5 renders right-to-left directed text.

When *dir* attribute is used within the <html> tag, it determines how text will be presented within the entire document. When used within another tag, it controls the text's direction for just the content of that tag.

The lang Attribute

The **lang** attribute allows you to indicate the main language used in a document, this attribute was kept in HTML only.

The values of the *lang* attribute are ISO-639 standard two-character language codes.

This will produce the following result –

This page is using English Language

Generic Attributes

Here's a table of some other attributes that are readily usable with many of the HTML tags.

Attribute	Options	Function
align	right, left, center	Horizontally aligns tags
valign	top, middle, bottom	Vertically aligns tags within an HTML element.
bgcolor	numeric, hexidecimal, RGB values	Places a background color behind an element
background	URL	Places a background image behind an element
id	User Defined	Names an element for use with Cascading Style Sheets.
class	User Defined	Classifies an element for use with Cascading Style Sheets.
width	Numeric Value	Specifies the width of tables, images, or table cells.
height	Numeric Value	Specifies the height of tables, images, or table cells.
title	User Defined	"Pop-up" title of the elements.

HTML - Formatting

Bold Text

Anything that appears within **...** element, is displayed in bold

Italic Text

Anything that appears within <i>...</i> element is displayed in italicized

Underlined Text

Anything that appears within <u>...</u> element, is displayed with underline

Strike Text

Anything that appears within <strike>...</strike> is displayed with strikethrough

Monospaced Font

The content of a <tt>...</tt> element is written in monospaced font. Most of the fonts are known as variable-width fonts because different letters are of different widths (for example, the letter 'm' is wider than the letter 'i'). In a monospaced font, however, each letter has the same width.

Superscript Text

The content of a **^{...}** element is written in superscript; the font size used is the same size but half a character's height above the other characters.

Subscript Text

The content of a **_{...}** element is written in subscript; the font size used is the same as other but half a character's height beneath the other characters.

Inserted Text

Anything that appears within **<ins>...</ins>** element is displayed as inserted text.

Deleted Text

Anything that appears within **...** element, is displayed as deleted text.

Larger Text

The content of <big>...</big> element is one font size larger than the rest of the text

Smaller Text

The content of **<small>...</small>** element is one font size smaller than the rest of the text

This will produce the following result –

The word uses a **bold** typeface.

The word uses an *italicized* typeface.

The word uses an <u>underlined</u> typeface.

The word uses a strikethrough typeface.

The word uses a monospaced typeface.

The word uses a superscript typeface.

The word uses a subscript typeface.

I want to drink wine

I want to drink cola

The following word uses a big typeface.

The following word uses a small typeface.

Grouping Content

The **div** and **span** elements allow you to group together several elements to create sections or subsections of a page.

This will produce the following result –

HOME | CONTACT |

Content Articles

Actual content goes here.....

The element, on the other hand, can be used to group inline elements only. So, if you have a part of a sentence or paragraph which you want to group together, you could use the element as follows.

This will produce the following result –

This is the example of span tag and the div tag alongwith CSS

These tags are commonly used with CSS to allow you to attach a style to a section of a page.

HTML - Phrase Tags

The phrase tags have been desicolgned for specific purposes, though they are displayed in a similar way as other basic tags like **, <i>, , , and <tt>.**

Emphasized Text

Text that appears within **...** element is displayed as emphasized text.

Marked Text

Anything that appears with-in **<mark>...</mark>** element, is displayed as marked with yellow ink.

Strong Text

Text appears within ****...**** element is displayed as important text.

Text Abbreviation

You can abbreviate a text by putting it inside opening <abbr> and closing </abbr> tags. If present, the title attribute must contain this full description and nothing else.

Acronym Element

The **<acronym>** element allows to indicate that the text is an acronym.

Text Direction

The **<bdo>...</bdo>** element stands for Bi-Directional Override and it is used to override the current text direction.

Special Terms

The **<dfn>...</dfn>** element (or HTML Definition Element) allows you to specify that you are introducing a special term. It's usage is similar to italic words in the midst of a paragraph.

Typically, you would use the <dfn> element the first time you introduce a key term. Most recent browsers render the content of a <dfn> element in an italic font.

Quoting Text

When you want to quote a passage from another source, you should put it in between **
blockquote>...</br/>/blockquote>** tags.

Text inside a <blockquote> element is usually indented from the left and right edges of the surrounding text, and sometimes uses an italicized font.

Short Quotations

The <q>...</q> element is used when you want to add a double quote within a sentence.

Text Citations

If you are quoting a text, you can indicate the source placing it between an opening <cite> tag and closing </cite> tag

The content of the <cite> element is rendered in italicized text by default.

Computer Code

Any programming code to appear on a Web page should be placed inside **<code>...</code>** tags. Usually the content of the **<code>** element is presented in a monospaced font, just like the code in most programming books.

Keyboard Text

When you are talking about computers, if you want to tell a reader to enter some text, you can use the **<kbd>...</kbd>** element to indicate what should be typed in.

Programming Variables

This element is usually used in conjunction with the and **<code>** elements to indicate that the content of that element is a variable.

Program Output

The **<samp>...</samp>** element indicates sample output from a program, and script etc.It is mainly used when documenting programming or coding concepts.

Address Text

The **<address>...</address>** element is used to contain any address.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <body>
     The word uses an <em>emphasized</em> typeface.
      The word has been <mark>marked</mark> with yellow
      The word uses a <strong>strong</strong> typeface.
      My name is <abbr title= "Abhishek">Abhy</abbr>.
      This chapter covers marking up text in
<acronym>XHTML</acronym>.
      <bdo dir = "rtl">This will go right to left.</bdo>
      The following word is a <dfn>special</dfn> term.
      <blockquote>XHTML 1.0 is the W3C's first Recommendation
for XHTML, following on from earlier work on HTML 4.01, HTML 4.0,
HTML 3.2 and HTML 2.0.</blockquote>
      Amit is in Spain, <q>I think I am wrong</q>.
      This is derived from <cite>W3 Standard HTML</cite>.
      Regular text <code>This is code</code> Regular text
      Regular text <kbd>This inside kbd element</kbd>text
      <code>document.write("<var>user-name</var>")</code>
      Result produced by the program is <samp>Hello
World!</samp>
      <address>388A, Road No 22, Jubilee Hills - Pune</address>
  </body>
</html>
```

This will produce the following result –

The word uses an *emphasized* typeface.

The word has been marked with yellow

The word uses a **strong** typeface.

My name is Abhy.

This chapter covers marking up text in XHTML.

.tfel ot thgir og lliw txet sihT

The following word is a *special* term.

XHTML 1.0 is the W3C's first Recommendation for XHTML, following on from earlier work on HTML 4.01, HTML 4.0, HTML 3.2 and HTML 2.0.

Amit is in Spain, "I think I am wrong."

This is derived from W3 Standard HTML.

Regular text. This is code. Regular text.

Regular text. This is inside kbd element text.

document.write("user-name")

Result produced by the program is Hello World!

388A, Road No 22, Jubilee Hills - Pune

HTML - Meta Tags

HTML lets you specify metadata - additional important information about a document in a variety of ways. The META elements can be used to include name/value pairs describing properties of the HTML document, such as author, expiry date, a list of keywords, document author etc. using <meta> tag. This tag is an empty element and so does not have a closing tag but it carries information within its attributes.

You can include one or more meta tags in your document but in general, meta tags do not impact physical appearance of the document so from appearance point of view, it does not matter if you include them or not.

Adding Meta Tags to Your Documents

You can add metadata to your web pages by placing <meta> tags inside the header tag. A meta tag can have following attributes in addition to core attributes –

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	Name Name for the property. Can be anything. Examples include, keywords, description, author, revised, generator etc.
2	content Specifies the property's value.
3	scheme Specifies a scheme to interpret the property's value (as declared in the content attribute).
4	http-equiv Used for http response message headers. For example, http-equiv can be used to refresh the page or to set a cookie. Values include content-type, expires, refresh and set-cookie.

Specifying Keywords

use <meta> tag to specify important keywords related to the document which are used by the search engines while indexing your webpage for searching purpose.

Document Description

use <meta> tag to give a short description about the document. This again can be used by various search engines while indexing webpage for searching purpose.

Document Revision Date

use <meta> tag to give information about when last time document was updated. This information can be used by various web browsers while refreshing webpage.

Document Refreshing

A <meta> tag can be used to specify a duration after which your web page will keep refreshing automatically.

Page Redirection

use <meta> tag to redirect your page to any other webpage. You can also specify a duration if you want to redirect the page after a certain number of seconds. If you want to redirect page immediately then do not specify *content* attribute.

Setting Cookies

Cookies are data, stored in small text files on your computer and it is exchanged between web browser and web server to keep track of various information based on your web application need.

You can use <meta> tag to store cookies on client side and later this information can be used by the Web Server to track a site visitor.

If you do not include the expiration date and time, the cookie is considered a session cookie and will be deleted when the user exits the browser.

Setting Author Name

You can set an author name in a web page using meta tag.

Specify Character Set

use <meta> tag to specify character set used within the webpage. By default, Web servers and browsers use ISO-8859-1 (Latin1) encoding to process Web pages.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
   <head>
      <title>Meta Tags Example</title>
      <meta name = "keywords" content = "HTML, Meta Tags,</pre>
Metadata" />
      <meta name = "description" content = "Learning about Meta</pre>
Tags." />
      <meta name= "revised" content= "Tutorialspoit,3/7/2014" />
       <meta http-equiv = "refresh" content = "5" />
       <meta http-equiv = "refresh" content = "5; url =</pre>
http://www.tutorialspoint.com" />
      <meta http-equiv = "cookie" content = "userid = xyz;</pre>
expires = Wednesday, 08-Aug-15 23:59:59 GMT;" />
      <meta name = "author" content = "Mahnaz Mohtashim" />
       <meta http-equiv = "Content-Type" content = "text/html;</pre>
charset = UTF-8" />
   </head>
   <body>
      Hello HTML5!
   </body>
</html>
```

HTML - Comments

Comment is a piece of code which is ignored by any web browser. Comments help you and others understand your code and increases code readability.

HTML comments are placed in between <!-- ... --> tags. Comment cannot be put inside another comment. the double-dash sequence "--" may not appear inside a comment except as part of the closing --> tag. There should be no spaces in the start-of comment string. Comment multiple lines by the special beginning tag <!-- and ending tag --> placed before the first line and end of the last line

Conditional Comments

Conditional comments only work in Internet Explorer (IE) on Windows but they are ignored by other browsers. They are supported from Explorer 5 onwards, and you can use them to give conditional instructions to different versions of IE. You will come across a situation where you will need to apply a different style sheet based on different versions of Internet Explorer, in such situation conditional comments will be helpful.

Commenting Script Code

If you are using Java Script or VB Script in your HTML code then it put that script code inside proper HTML comments so that old browsers can work properly

Commenting Style Sheets

if you are using Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) in your HTML code then put that style sheet code inside proper HTML comments so that old browsers can work properly.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
   <head> <!-- Document Header Starts -->
      <title>This is document title</title>
      <script>
         <!-- document.write("Hello World!") //-->
      </script>
      <style>
         <!-- .example {
               border:1px solid #4a7d49; } //-->
      </style>
   </head>
   <body> <!-- Document Body Starts -->
      Multiline comment
         This is a multiline comment and it can
         span through as many as lines you like. -->
      <h1>Conditional Comments</h1>
      <!--[if IE 6]>
         Special instructions for IE 6 here
      <![endif]-->
   </body>
</html>
```

HTML - Images

Images are very important to beautify as well as to depict many complex concepts in simple way on your web page.

Insert Image

You can insert any image in your web page by using **** tag with syntax:

```
<img src = "Image URL" ... attributes-list/>
```

The tag is an empty tag, which means that, it can contain only list of attributes.

This will produce the following result –



You can use PNG, JPEG or GIF image file based on your comfort but make sure you specify correct image file name in **src** attribute. Image name is always case sensitive.

The **alt** attribute is a mandatory which specifies an alternate text for an image, if the image cannot be displayed.

Set Image Location

let's keep HTML file test.htm in our home directory and create a subdirectory **images** inside the home directory where we will keep our image test.png.

```
<img src = "/html/images/test.png" alt = "Test Image" />
```

Set Image Width/Height

set image width and height using width and height attributes in terms of either pixels or percentage of its actual size.

```
<img src = "/html/images/test.png" alt = "Test Image" width =
"150" height = "100"/>
```

This will produce the following result –



Set Image Border

By default, image will have a border around it, you can specify border thickness in terms of pixels using border attribute. A thickness of 0 means, no border around the picture.

```
<img src = "/html/images/test.png" alt = "Image" border = "3"/>
```



This will produce the following result

Set Image Alignment

By default, image will align at the left side of the page, but you can use **align** attribute to set it in the center or right.

```
<img src = "/html/images/test.png" alt = "Test Image" border =
"3" align = "right"/>
```



HTML - Tables

the **border** is an attribute of tag and it is used to put a border across all the cells. If you do not need a border, then you can use border = "0".

Table Heading

Table heading can be defined using **>** tag. Normally you will put your top row as table heading and can use **>** element in any row. Headings, which are defined in **>** tag are centered and bold by default.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
 <body>
  Name
     Salary
    Ramesh Raman
     5000
    Shabbir Hussein
     7000
    </body>
</html>
```

This will produce the following result –

Name	Salary
Ramesh Raman	5000
Shabbir Hussein	7000

Cellpadding and Cellspacing Attributes

cellpadding and cellspacing can be used to adjust the white space in your table cells. The cellspacing attribute defines space between table cells, while cellpadding represents the distance between cell borders and the content within a cell.

Colspan and Rowspan Attributes

use **colspan** attribute if you want to merge two or more columns into a single column. Similar way you will use **rowspan** if you want to merge two or more rows.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
 <body>
  Row 1 Cell 1 
     Row 1 Cell 2
     Row 1 Cell 3
    Row 2 Cell 2
     Row 2 Cell 3
    Row 3 Cell 1 
    </body>
</html>
```

This will produce the following result –

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Dani 1 Call 1	Row 1 Cell 2	Row 1 Cell 3
Row 1 Cell 1	Row 2 Cell 2	Row 2 Cell 3
Row 3 Cell 1		

Tables Backgrounds

You can set table background using one of the following two ways -

- **bgcolor** attribute You can set background color for whole table or just for one cell.
- background attribute You can set background image for whole table or for one cell.

You can also set border color also using **bordercolor** attribute.

Note - The bgcolor, background, and bordercolor attributes deprecated in HTML5.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Row 1 Cell 1	Row 1 Cell 2	Row 1 Cell 3
Row I Cell I	Row 2 Cell 2	Row 2 Cell 3
Row 3 Cell 1		

Here is an example of using **background** attribute. Here we will use an image available in /images directory.

Table Height and Width

set a table width and height using **width** and **height** attributes. specify table width or height in terms of pixels or in terms of percentage of available screen area.

Table Caption

The **caption** tag will serve as a title or explanation for the table and it shows up at the top of the table. This tag is deprecated in newer version of HTML/XHTML.

This will produce the following result –

This is the caption		
row 1, column 1	row 1, column 2	
row 2, column 1	row 2, column 2	

Table Header, Body, and Footer

Tables can be divided into three portions – header, body, and foot. head and foot are rather similar to headers and footers in a word-processed document that remain the same for every page, while the body is the main content holder of the table.

The three elements for separating the head, body, and foot of a table are -

- <thead> to create a separate table header.
- to indicate the main body of the table.
- <tfoot> to create a separate table footer.

A table may contain several elements to indicate *different pages* or groups of data. But <thead> and <tfoot> tags should appear before

This will produce the following result -

This is the head of the table				
Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3	Cell 4	
This is the foot of the table				

Nested Tables

You can use one table inside another table. you can use all tags inside .

```
Name
    Salary
   Ramesh Raman
    5000
   Shabbir Hussein
    7000
```

HTML - Lists

lists must contain one or more list elements. Lists may contain -

- An unordered list. This will list items using plain bullets.
- An ordered list. This will use different schemes of numbers to list your items.
- **<dl>** A definition list. This arranges your items in the same way as they are arranged in a dictionary.

HTML Unordered Lists

An unordered list is a collection of related items that have no special order or sequence. It is created using HTML **ul>** tag. Each item in list is marked with bullet.

This will produce the following result –

- Beetroot
- Ginger
- Potato

The type Attribute

You can use **type** attribute for tag to specify the type of bullet you like. By default, it is a disc. Following are the possible options –

This will produce the following result –

Beetroot
Beetroot
Beetroot

HTML Ordered Lists

If you are required to put your items in a numbered list instead of bulleted, then HTML ordered list will be used. This list is created by using **tag.** The numbering starts at one and is incremented by one for each successive ordered list element tagged with .

This will produce the following result -

```
    Beetroot
    Ginger
    Potato
    Radish
```

The type Attribute

You can use **type** attribute for tag to specify the type of numbering you like. By default, it is a number. Following are the possible options –

```
 - Default-Case Numerals.
 - Upper-Case Numerals.
 - Lower-Case Numerals.
 - Upper-Case Letters.
 - Lower-Case Letters.
```

This will produce the following result –

```
    Beetroot
    Beetroot<
```

The start Attribute

use **start** attribute for tag to specify the starting point of numbering you need.

HTML Definition Lists

HTML and XHTML supports a list style which is called **definition lists** where entries are listed like in a dictionary or encyclopedia. The definition list is the ideal way to present a glossary, list of terms, or other name/value list.

Definition List makes use of following three tags.

- <dl> Defines the start of the list
- <dt> A term
- <dd> Term definition

This will produce the following result -

HTML

This stands for Hyper Text Markup Language

HTTP

This stands for Hyper Text Transfer Protocol

HTML - Text Links

Hyperlinks allow visitors to navigate between Web sites by clicking on words, phrases, and images. Thus you can create hyperlinks using text or images available on a webpage.

Linking Documents

A link is specified using HTML tag <a>. This tag is called **anchor tag** and anything between the opening <a> tag and the closing tag becomes part of the link and a user can click that part to reach to the linked document. Following syntax to use <a> tag.

```
<a href = "Document URL" ... attributes-list>Link Text</a>
```

Example

This produces the following result, where click on the link generated to reach to destination

Tutorials Point

The target Attribute

This attribute is used to specify the location where linked document is opened.

Sr.No	Option & Description
1	_blank
	Opens the linked document in a new window or tab.
2	_self
	Opens the linked document in the same frame.
3	_parent
	Opens the linked document in the parent frame.
4	_top
	Opens the linked document in the full body of the window.
5	targetframe
	Opens the linked document in a named ta rgetframe.

Example

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
   <head>
      <title>Hyperlink Example</title>
      <base href = "https://www.tutorialspoint.com/">
   </head>
   <body>
      <a href = "/html/index.htm" target = " blank">Opens in
New < /a > |
      <a href = "/html/index.htm" target = " self">Opens in
Self</a> |
      <a href = "/html/index.htm" target = " parent">Opens in
Parent</a> |
      <a href = "/html/index.htm" target = " top">Opens in
Body</a>
   </body>
</html>
```

This will produce the following result, where you can click on different links to understand the difference between various options given for target attribute.

```
Opens in New | Opens in Self | Opens in Parent | Opens in Body
```

Use of Base Path

When you link HTML documents related to the same website, it is not required to give a complete URL for every link. You can get rid of it if you use **<base>** tag in your HTML document header. This tag is used to give a base path for all the links. So your browser will concatenate given relative path to this base path and will make a complete URL.

Now given URL <a href = "/html/index.htm" is being considered as <a href = "http://www.tutorialspoint.com/html/index.htm"

Linking to a Page Section

You can create a link to a particular section of a given webpage by using **name** attribute. This is a two-step process.

Note – The *name* attribute deprecated in HTML5. Do not use this attribute. Use *id* and *title* attribute instead.

First create a link to the place where you want to reach with-in a webpage and name it using <a...> tag as follows –

```
<h1>HTML Text Links <a name = "top"></a></h1>
```

Second step is to create a hyperlink to link the document and place where you want to reach

```
<a href = "/html/html_text_links.htm#top">Go to the Top</a>
```

This will produce following link, where you can click on the link generated **Go to the Top** to reach to the top of the HTML Text Link tutorial.

```
Go to the Top
```

Setting Link Colors

You can set colors of your links, active links and visited links using **link**, **alink** and **vlink** attributes of <body> tag.

check color of link before clicking on it, when you activate it and when the link is visited.

Download Links

You can create text link to make your PDF, or DOC or ZIP files downloadable. This is very simple; you just need to give complete URL of the downloadable file

This will produce following link and will be used to download a file.

Download PDF File

File Download Dialog Box

Sometimes it is desired that you want to give an option where a user will click a link and it will pop up a "File Download" box to the user instead of displaying actual content. This is very easy and can be achieved using an HTTP header in your HTTP response.

For example, if you want make a **Filename** file downloadable from a given link then its syntax will be as follows.

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
# Additional HTTP Header
print "Content-Type:application/octet-stream; name =
   \"FileName\"\r\n";
print "Content-Disposition:attachment; filename =
   \"FileName\"\r\n\n";
# Open the target file and list down its content as follows
   open( FILE, "<FileName" );
while(read(FILE, $buffer, 100)) {
    print("$buffer");
}</pre>
```

HTML - Image Links

It's simple to use an image as hyperlink. We just need to use an image inside hyperlink at the place of text

This will produce following result, where you click on the image to reach to the destination



Mouse-Sensitive Images

In HTML and XHTML different links on the single image can be created based on different coordinates available on the image. We can click different parts of the image to open target documents. Such mouse-sensitive images are known as image maps.

There are two ways to create image maps –

- **Server-side image maps** This is enabled by the **ismap** attribute of the tag and requires access to a server and related image-map processing applications.
- **Client-side image maps** This is created with the **usemap** attribute of the tag, along with corresponding <map> and <area> tags.

Server-Side Image Maps

Put an image inside a hyper link and use **ismap** attribute to makes it special image and when the user clicks some place within the image, the browser passes the coordinates of the mouse pointer along with the URL specified in the <a> tag to the web server. The server uses the mouse-pointer coordinates to determine which document to deliver back to the browser.

When *ismap* is used, the href attribute of <a> tag must contain URL of a server application like a cgi or PHP script etc. to process the incoming request based on the passed coordinates.

The coordinates of the mouse position are screen pixels counted from the upper-left corner of the image, beginning with (0,0). The coordinates, preceded by a question mark, are added to the end of the URL.

if a user clicks 20 pixels over and 30 pixels down from the upper-left corner of the image – Which has been generated by the following code snippet –

Then the browser sends the following search parameters to the web server which can be processed by **ismap.cgi** script or **map file** and you can link whatever documents you like to these coordinates –

```
/cgi-bin/ismap.cgi?20,30
```

This way you can assign different links to different coordinates of the image and when those coordinates are clicked, you can open corresponding linked document.

Client-Side Image Maps

Client side image maps are enabled by the **usemap** attribute of the tag and defined by special <map> and <area> extension tags.

The image that is going to form the map is inserted into the page using the tag as a normal image, except it carries an extra attribute called **usemap**. The value of the usemap attribute is the value which will be used in a <map> tag to link map and image tags. The <map> along with <area> tags define all the image coordinates and corresponding links.

The <area> tag inside the map tag, specifies the shape and the coordinates to define the boundaries of each clickable hotspot available on the image.



Coordinate System

The actual value of coords is totally dependent on the shape in question.

• rect = x1, y1, x2, y2

x1 and y1 are the coordinates of the upper left corner of the rectangle; x2 and y2 are the coordinates of the lower right corner.

• circle = x, y, radius

x and y are the coordinates of the center of the circle, and radius is the circle's radius. A circle centered at 200, 50 with a radius of 25 would have the attribute coords = "200,50,25"

• poly = x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3, ... x, y

The various x-y pairs define vertices (points) of the polygon, with a "line" being drawn from one point to the next point. A diamond-shaped polygon with its top point at 20,20 and 40 pixels across at its widest points would have the attribute coords = "20,20,40,40,20,60,0,40".

All coordinates are relative to the upper-left corner of the image (0,0). Each shape has a related URL. Use any image software to know the coordinates of different positions.

HTML - Email Links

Putting an HTML email link on your webpage can cause unnecessary spamming problem for your email account.

You can have another option to facilitate people to send you emails. One option could be to use HTML forms to collect user data and then use PHP or CGI script to send an email to the one given email ID.

HTML Email Tag

HTML **<a>** tag provides an option to specify an email address to send an email. While using **<a>** tag as an email tag, you will use **mailto**: **email address** along with *href* attribute. Following is the syntax of using **mailto** instead of using http.

```
<a href = "mailto: abc@example.com">Send Email</a>
```

This code will generate the following link which you can use to send email.

```
Send Email
```

If user clicks this link, it launches one Email Client (like Lotus Notes, Outlook Express etc.) installed on your user's computer. There is another risk to use this option to send email because if user do not have email client installed on their computer then it would not be possible to send email.

Default Settings

You can specify a default *email subject* and *email body* along with your email address. Following is the example to use default subject and body.

```
<a href = "mailto:abc@example.com?subject = Feedback&body =
Message">
Send Feedback
</a>
```

This code will generate the following link which you can use to send email.

Send Feedback

HTML - Frames

HTML frames are used to divide browser window into multiple sections where each section can load a separate HTML document. A collection of frames in the browser window is known as a frameset. The window is divided into frames in a similar way the tables are organized: into rows and columns.

Disadvantages of Frames

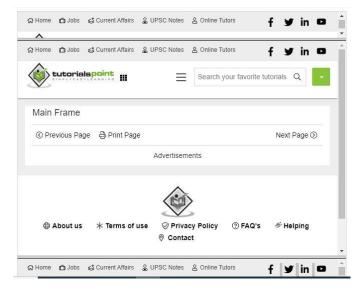
lit's never recommended to use frames in your webpages -

- Some smaller devices cannot cope with frames often because their screen is not big enough to be divided up.
- Sometimes your page will be displayed differently on different computers due to different screen resolution.
- The browser's back button might not work as the user hopes.
- There are still few browsers that do not support frame technology.

Creating Frames

To use frames on a page we use <frameset> tag instead of <body> tag which defines, how to divide the window into frames. The **rows** attribute of <frameset> tag defines horizontal frames and **cols** attribute defines vertical frames. Each frame is indicated by <frame> tag and defines which HTML document to open in the frame.

Note - The <frame> tag deprecated in HTML5.



If we replace rows attribute by cols and changed their width. This will create all the three frames vertically –



Browser Support for Frames

If a user is using any old browser or any browser, which does not support frames then <noframes> element should be displayed to the user.

So you must place a <body> element inside the <noframes> element because the <frameset> element is supposed to replace the <body> element, but if a browser does not understand <frameset> element then it should understand what is inside the <body> element which is contained in a <noframes> element.

You can put some nice message for your user having old browsers. For example, Sorry!! your browser does not support frames.

Frame's name and target attributes

One of the most popular uses of frames is to place navigation bars in one frame and then load main pages into a separate frame.

We have created two columns to fill with two frames. The first frame is 200 pixels wide and will contain the navigation menu bar implemented by **menu.htm** file. The second column fills in remaining space and will contain the main part of the page and it is implemented by **main.htm** file. For all the three links available in menu bar, we have mentioned target frame as **main_page**, so whenever you click any of the links in menu bar, available link will open in main page.

Following is the content of menu.htm file

Following is the content of main.htm file -

try to click links available in the left panel and see the result.



The <frameset> Tag Attributes

Sr.No	Attribute & Description			
1	Specifies how many columns are contained in the frameset and the size of each column. width of each column can be specified in one of the four ways – 1. Absolute values in pixels. Eg= to create three vertical frames, use cols = "100, 500, 100". 2. A percentage of the browser window. Eg= to create three vertical frames, use cols = "10%, 80%, 10%". 3. Using a wildcard symbol. Eg= to create three vertical frames, use cols = "10%, *, 10%". In this case wildcard takes remainder of the window.			
	4. As relative widths of the browser window. Eg= to create three vertical frames, use cols = "3*, 2*, 1*". This is an alternative to percentages. Here the window is divided into sixths: the first column takes up half of the window, the second takes one third, and the third takes one sixth.			
2	rows This attribute works just like the cols attribute and takes the same values, but it is used to specify the rows in the frameset. Eg= to create two horizontal frames, use rows = "10%, 90%". You can specify the height of each row in the same way as explained above for columns.			
3	border This attribute specifies the width of the border of each frame in pixels. Eg= border = "5". A value of zero means no border.			
4	frameborder This attribute specifies whether a three-dimensional border should be displayed between frames. This attribute takes value either 1 (yes) or 0 (no). Eg= frameborder = "0" specifies no border.			
5	framespacing This attribute specifies the amount of space between frames in a frameset. Eg= framespacing = "10" means should be 10 pixels spacing between each frames.			

The <frame> Tag Attributes

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	 src This attribute is used to give the file name that should be loaded in the frame. Its value can be any URL. Eg= src = "/html/top_frame.htm" will load an HTML file available in html directory.
2	name This attribute allows you to give a name to a frame. It is used to indicate which frame a document should be loaded into. This is especially important when you want to create links in one frame that load pages into an another frame, in which case the second frame needs a name to identify itself as the target of the link.
3	frameborder This attribute specifies whether or not the borders of that frame are shown; it overrides the value given in the frameborder attribute on the <frameset> tag if one is given, and this can take values either 1 (yes) or 0 (no).</frameset>
4	marginwidth This attribute allows you to specify the width of the space between the left and right of the frame's borders and the frame's content. The value is given in pixels. Eg= marginwidth = "10".
5	marginheight This attribute allows you to specify the height of the space between the top and bottom of the frame's borders and its contents. The value is given in pixels. Eg= marginheight = "10".
6	noresize By default, you can resize any frame by clicking and dragging on the borders of a frame. The noresize attribute prevents a user from being able to resize the frame eg= noresize = "noresize".
7	scrolling This attribute controls the appearance of the scrollbars that appear on the frame. This takes values either "yes", "no" or "auto". Eg= scrolling = "no" means it should not have scroll bars.
8	longdesc This attribute allows you to provide a link to another page containing a long description of the contents of the frame. Eg= longdesc = "framedescription.htm"

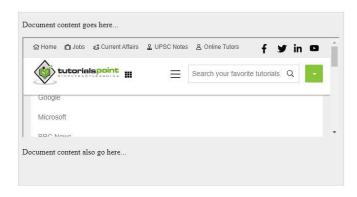
The targetattribute can also take one of the following values -

Sr.No	Option & Description
1	_self Loads the page into the current frame.
2	_blank Loads a page into a new browser window. Opening a new window.
3	_parent Loads the page into the parent window, which in the case of a single frameset is the main browser window.
4	_top Loads the page into the browser window, replacing any current frames.
5	targetframe Loads the page into a named targetframe.

HTML - Iframes

You can define an inline frame with HTML tag **<iframe>**. The <iframe> tag is not somehow related to <frameset> tag, instead, it can appear anywhere in your document. The <iframe> tag defines a rectangular region within the document in which the browser can display a separate document, including scrollbars and borders. An inline frame is used to embed another document within the current HTML document. The **src** attribute is used to specify the URL of the document that occupies the inline frame.

This will produce the following result -



The <lframe> Tag Attributes

Most of the attributes of the <iframe> tag, including name, class, frameborder, id, longdesc, marginheight, marginwidth, name, scrolling, style, and title behave exactly like the corresponding attributes for the <frame> tag.

frameborder, marginwidth, longdesc, scrolling, marginheight attributes deprecated in HTML5.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	src This attribute is used to give the file name that should be loaded in the frame. Its value can be any URL. For example, src = "/html/top_frame.htm" will load an HTML file available in html directory.
2	name This attribute allows you to give a name to a frame. It is used to indicate which frame a document should be loaded into. This is especially important when you want to create links in one frame that load pages into an another frame, in which case the second frame needs a name to identify itself as the target of the link.
3	frameborder This attribute specifies whether or not the borders of that frame are shown; it overrides the value given in the frameborder attribute on the <frameset> tag if one is given, and this can take values either 1 (yes) or 0 (no).</frameset>
4	marginwidth This attribute allows you to specify the width of the space between the left and right of the frame's borders and the frame's content. The value is given in pixels. For example marginwidth = "10".
5	marginheight This attribute allows you to specify the height of the space between the top and bottom of the frame's borders and its contents. The value is given in pixels. For example marginheight = "10".
6	height This attribute specifies the height of <iframe>.</iframe>
7	scrolling This attribute controls the appearance of the scrollbars that appear on the frame. This takes values either "yes", "no" or "auto". For example scrolling = "no" means it should not have scroll bars.
8	longdesc This attribute allows you to provide a link to another page containing a long description of the contents of the frame. For example longdesc = "framedescription.htm"
9	width This attribute specifies the width of <iframe>.</iframe>

HTML - Blocks

HTML elements can be categorized as (a) Block Level Elements (b)Inline Elements.

Block Elements

Block elements appear as if they have a line break before and after them. For eq, , <h1>, <h2>, <h3>, <h4>, <h5>, <h6>, , , <dl>, , <hr/>, <h7>, <h8</pre>, <h1>, <u

For eg, , <h1>, <h2>, <h3>, <h6>, <h6>, , , <dl>, , <hr/>, <blockquote>, and <address> elements are all block level elements. They all start on their own new line, and anything that follows them appears on its own new line.

Inline Elements

Inline elements, on the other hand, can appear within sentences and do not have to appear on a new line of their own.

For eg, , <i>, <u>, , , <sup>, <sub>, <big>, <small>, , <ins>, , <code>, <cite>, <dfn>, <kbd>, and <var> elements are all inline elements.

Grouping HTML Elements

There are two important tags which we use very frequently to group various other HTML tags (i) <div> tag and (ii) tag

The <div> tag

This is the very important block level tag which plays a big role in grouping various other HTML tags and applying CSS on group of elements. Even now <div> tag can be used to create webpage layout where we define different parts (Left, Right, Top etc.) of the page using <div> tag. This tag does not provide any visual change on the block but this has more meaning when it is used with CSS.

This will produce the following result –

```
This is first group
Following is a list of vegetables
This is second group
Following is a list of fruits
```

The tag

The HTML is an inline element and it can be used to group inline-elements in an HTML document. This tag also does not provide any visual change on the block but has more meaning when it is used with CSS.

The difference between the tag and the <div> tag is that the tag is used with inline elements whereas the <div> tag is used with block-level elements.

This will produce the following result –

This is red and this is green

HTML - Backgrounds

By default, your webpage background is white in color.

HTML provides you following two good ways to decorate your webpage background.

- HTML Background with Colors
- HTML Background with Images

Html Background with Colors

The **bgcolor** attribute is used to control the background of an HTML element, specifically page body and table backgrounds.

Note – The *bgcolor* attribute deprecated in HTML5.

Following is the syntax to use bgcolor attribute with any HTML tag.

```
<tagname bgcolor = "color_value"...>
```

This color value can be given in any of the following formats –

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
 <br/><body> <!-- Format 1 - Use color name -->
   <t.r>
      >
        This background is yellow
      <!-- Format 2 - Use hex value -->
   This background is sky blue
      <!-- Format 3 - Use RGB value -->
   This background is green
      </body>
</html>
```

This will produce the following result –

```
This background is yellow
This background is sky blue
This background is green
```

Html Background with Images

The **background** attribute can also be used to control the background of an HTML element, specifically page body and table backgrounds. You can specify an image to set background of your HTML page or table.

Following is the syntax to use background attribute with any HTML tag.

Note – The *background* attribute is deprecated and it is recommended to use Style Sheet for background setting.

```
<tagname background = "Image URL"...>
```

The most frequently used image formats are JPEG, GIF and PNG images.

This will produce the following result –



Patterned & Transparent Backgrounds

You might have seen many pattern or transparent backgrounds on various websites. This simply can be achieved by using patterned image or transparent image in the background.

It is suggested that while creating patterns or transparent GIF or PNG images, use the smallest dimensions possible even as small as 1x1 to avoid slow loading.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
 <body>
   <!-- Set a table background using pattern -->
   height = "100">
     This background is filled up with a pattern image.
       <!-- Another example on table background using pattern -->
   height = "100">
     This background is filled up with a pattern image.
       </body>
</html>
```

This will produce the following result –

This background is filled up with a pattern image.

This background is filled up with a pattern image.

HTML - Colors

The <body> tag has following attributes which can be used to set different colors -

- **bgcolor** sets a color for the background of the page.
- **text** sets a color for the body text.
- alink sets a color for active links or selected links.
- link sets a color for linked text.
- **vlink** sets a color for *visited links* that is, for linked text that you have already clicked on.

HTML Color Coding Methods

There are following three different methods to set colors in your web page –

- Color names You can specify color names directly like green, blue or red.
- **Hex codes** A six-digit code representing the amount of red, green, and blue that makes up the color.
- Color decimal or percentage values This value is specified using the rgb() property.

HTML Colors - Color Names

W3C has listed 16 basic color names that will validate with an HTML validator but there are over 200 different color names supported by major browsers.

W3C Standard 16 Colors

Here is the list of W3C Standard 16 Colors names and it is recommended to use them.



HTML Colors - Hex Codes

A hexadecimal is a 6 digit representation of a color. The first two digits(RR) represent a red value, the next two are a green value(GG), and the last are the blue value(BB). A hexadecimal value can be taken from any graphics software like Adobe Photoshop, Paintshop Pro or MS Paint. Each hexadecimal code will be preceded by a hash sign #.

Color	Color HEX
	#000000
	#FF0000
	#00FF00
	#0000FF
	#FFFF00
	#00FFFF
	#FF00FF
	#C0C0C0
	#FFFFF
<pre><body bgcolor="</pre" text="#0000FF"></body></pre>	"#00FF00">

HTML Colors - RGB Values

This color value is specified using the $\mathbf{rgb}()$ property. This property takes three values, one each for red, green, and blue. The value can be an integer between 0 and 255 or a percentage. All the browsers does not support $\mathbf{rgb}()$ property of color so it is recommended not to use it.

Color	Color RGB
	rgb(0,0,0)
	rgb(255,0,0)
	rgb(0,255,0)
	rgb(0,0,255)
	rgb(255,255,0)
	rgb(0,255,255)
	rgb(255,0,255)
	rgb(192,192,192)
	rgb(255,255,255)

Browser Safe Colors

Here is the list of 216 colors which are supposed to be safest and computer independent colors. These colors very from hexa code 000000 to FFFFFF and they will be supported by all the computers having 256 color palette.

000000	000033	000066	000099	0000CC	0000FF
003300	003333	003366	003399	0033CC	0033FF
006600	006633	006666	006699	0066CC	0066FF
009900	009933	009966	009999	0099CC	0099FF
00CC00	00CC33	00CC66	00CC99	00CCCC	00CCFF
00FF00	00FF33	00FF66	00FF99	00FFCC	00FFFF
330000	330033	330066	330099	3300CC	3300FF
333300	333333	333366	333399	3333CC	3333FF
336600	336633	336666	336699	3366CC	3366FF
339900	339933	339966	339999	3399CC	3399FF
33CC00	33CC33	33CC66	33CC99	33CCCC	33CCFF
33FF00	33FF33	33FF66	33FF99	33FFCC	33FFFF
660000	660033	660066	660099	6600CC	6600FF
663300	663333	663366	663399	6633CC	6633FF
666600	666633	666666	666699	6666CC	6666FF
669900	669933	669966	669999	6699CC	6699FF
66CC00	66CC33	66CC66	66CC99	66CCCC	66CCFF
66FF00	66FF33	66FF66	66FF99	66FFCC	66FFFF
990000	990033	990066	990099	9900CC	9900FF
993300	993333	993366	993399	9933CC	9933FF

996600	996633	996666	996699	9966CC	9966FF
999900	999933	999966	999999	9999CC	9999FF
99CC00	99CC33	99CC66	99CC99	99CCCC	99CCFF
99FF00	99FF33	99FF66	99FF99	99FFCC	99FFFF
CC0000	CC0033	CC0066	CC0099	CC00CC	CC00FF
CC3300	CC3333	CC3366	CC3399	CC33CC	CC33FF
CC6600	CC6633	CC6666	CC6699	CC66CC	CC66FF
CC9900	CC9933	CC9966	CC9999	СС99СС	CC99FF
CCCC00	CCCC33	CCCC66	CCCC99	ccccc	CCCCFF
CCFF00	CCFF33	CCFF66	CCFF99	CCFFCC	CCFFFF
FF0000	FF0033	FF0066	FF0099	FF00CC	FF00FF
FF3300	FF3333	FF3366	FF3399	FF33CC	FF33FF
FF6600	FF6633	FF6666	FF6699	FF66CC	FF66FF
FF9900	FF9933	FF9966	FF9999	FF99CC	FF99FF
FFCC00	FFCC33	FFCC66	FFCC99	FFCCCC	FFCCFF
FFFF00	FFFF33	FFFF66	FFFF99	FFFFCC	FFFFF

HTML - Fonts

you can use HTML **** tag to add style, size, and color to the text on your website. You can use a **
basefont>** tag to set all text to the same size, face, and color.

The font tag is having three attributes called **size**, **color**, and **face** to customize your fonts. To change any of the font attributes at any time within your webpage, simply use the tag. The text that follows will remain changed until you close with the tag.

Note –The *font* and *basefont* tags are deprecated.

Set Font Size

You can set content font size using **size** attribute. The range of accepted values is from 1(smallest) to 7(largest). The default size of a font is 3.

This will produce the following result –

```
Font size = "1"
Font size = "3"
Font size = "4"
Font size = "5"
Font size = "6"
Font size = "7"
```

Relative Font Size

You can specify how many sizes larger or how many sizes smaller than the preset font size should be. You can specify it like or

This will produce the following result –

```
Font size = "-1"
Font size = "+1"
Font size = "+2"
Font size = "+3"
Font size = "+4"
```

Setting Font Face

You can set font face using *face* attribute but be aware that if the user viewing the page doesn't have the font installed, they will not be able to see it. Instead user will see the default font face applicable to the user's computer.

This will produce the following result –

Times New Roman

Comic Sans MS

WildWest

Bedrock

Specify alternate font faces

it is possible to specify two or more font face alternatives by listing the font face names, separated by a comma.

```
<font face = "arial, helvetica">
<font face = "Lucida Calligraphy, Comic Sans MS, Lucida Console">
```

When your page is loaded, their browser will display the first font face available. If none of the given fonts are installed, then it will display the default font face *Times New Roman*.

Setting Font Color

You can set any font color you like using *color* attribute.

```
<font color = "#FF00FF">This text is in pink</font><br /> <font color = "red">This text is red</font>
```

This will produce the following result –

This text is in pink
This text is red

The <basefont> Element

The <base>basefont> element is supposed to set a default font size, color, and typeface for any parts of the document that are not otherwise contained within a tag. You can use the elements to override the <base>basefont> settings.

The <basefont> tag also takes color, size and face attributes and it will support relative font setting by giving size a value of +1 for a size larger or -2 for two sizes smaller.

This will produce the following result –

This is the page's default font.

This is darkgray text with two sizes larger

It is a courier font, a size smaller and black in color.

HTML - Forms

HTML Forms are required, when you want to collect some data from the site visitor. A form will take input from the site visitor and then will post it to a back-end application such as CGI, ASP Script or PHP script etc. The back-end application will perform required processing on the passed data based on defined business logic inside the application.

The HTML **<form>** tag is used to create an HTML form and it has following syntax –

```
<form action = "Script URL" method = "GET|POST">
  form elements like input, textarea etc.
</form>
```

Form Attributes

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	action
	Backend script ready to process your passed data.
2	method
	Method to be used to upload data. The most frequently used are GET and POST methods.
3	target
	Specify the target window or frame where the result of the script will be displayed. It takes values like _blank, _self, _parent etc.
4	enctype
	to specify how the browser encodes the data before it sends it to the server. Possible values are -
	application/x-www-form-urlencoded – This is the standard method most forms use in simple scenarios.
	mutlipart/form-data - This is used when you want to upload binary data in the form of files like image, word file etc.

HTML Form Controls

Different types of form controls that you can use to collect data using HTML form –

- Text Input Controls
- Checkboxes Controls
- Radio Box Controls
- Select Box Controls
- File Select boxes
- Hidden Controls
- Clickable Buttons
- Submit and Reset Button

1. Text Input Controls

There are three types of text input used on forms -

- **Single-line text input controls** This control is used for items that require only one line of user input, such as search boxes or names. It is created using HTML **<input>** tag.
- Password input controls This is also a single-line text input but it masks the character as soon as a user enters it. They are also created using HTMI <input> tag.
- **Multi-line text input controls** This is used when the user is required to give details longer than a single sentence. Multi-line input are created using HTML **<textarea>** tag.

Single-line text input controls

This will produce the following result –

First name:	
Last name:	

Following is the list of attributes for <input> tag for creating text field.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	type Indicates the type of input control and for text input control it will be set to text.
2	name Used to give a name to the control which is sent to the server to be recognized and get the value.
3	value This can be used to provide an initial value inside the control.
4	size Allows to specify the width of the text-input control in terms of characters.
5	maxlength Allows to specify the maximum number of characters a user can enter into the text box.

Password input controls

This will produce the following result –

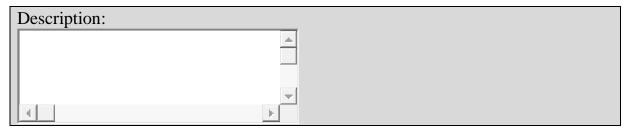
User ID :	
Password:	

Following is the list of attributes for <input> tag for creating password field.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	type Indicates the type of input control and for password input control it will be set to password.
2	name Used to give a name to the control which is sent to the server to be recognized and get the value.
3	value This can be used to provide an initial value inside the control.
4	size Allows to specify the width of the text-input control in terms of characters.
5	maxlength Allows to specify the maximum number of characters a user can enter into text box.

Multiple-Line Text Input Controls

This will produce the following result -



Following is the list of attributes for <textarea> tag.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	name
	Used to give a name to the control which is sent to the server to be recognized and get the value.
2	rows Indicates the number of rows of text area box.
3	cols Indicates the number of columns of text area box

2. Checkbox Control

Checkboxes are used when more than one option is required to be selected. They are also created using HTML <input> tag but type attribute is set to **checkbox.**.

This will produce the following result -



Following is the list of attributes for <checkbox> tag.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	type Indicates the type of input control and for checkbox input control it will be set to checkbox
2	name Used to give a name to the control which is sent to the server to be recognized and get the value.

3	value
	The value that will be used if the checkbox is selected.
4	checked Set to checked if you want to select it by default.

3. Radio Button Control

Radio buttons are used when out of many options, just one option is required to be selected. They are created using HTML <input> tag but type attribute is set to radio

This will produce the following result –



Following is the list of attributes for radio button.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	type Indicates the type of input control and for checkbox input control it will be set to radio.
2	name Used to give a name to the control which is sent to the server to be recognized and get the value.
3	value The value that will be used if the radio box is selected.
4	checked Set to checked if you want to select it by default.

4. Select Box Control

A select box, also called drop down box which provides option to list down various options in the form of drop down list, where a user can select one or more options.

This will produce the following result -



Following is the list of important attributes of <select> tag -

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	name Used to give a name to the control which is sent to the server to be recognized and get the value.
2	size This can be used to present a scrolling list box.
3	multiple If set to "multiple" then allows a user to select multiple items from the menu.

Following is the list of important attributes of <option> tag -

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	value The value that will be used if an option in the select box box is selected.
2	selected Specifies that this option should be the initially selected value when the page loads.
3	label An alternative way of labeling options

5. File Upload Box

If you want to allow a user to upload a file to your web site, you will need to use a file upload box, also known as a file select box. This is also created using the <input> element but type attribute is set to **file**.

```
<body>
     <form>
<input type = "file" name = "fileupload" accept = "image/*" />
          </form>
</body>
```

This will produce the following result –

```
Choose File No file chosen
```

Following is the list of important attributes of file upload box -

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	name
	Used to give a name to the control which is sent to the server to be recognized and get the value.
2	accept
	Specifies the types of files that the server accepts.

6. Button Controls

You can create a clickable button using <input>tag by setting its type attribute to **button**. The type attribute can take the following values –

Sr.No	Type & Description
1	submit This creates a button that automatically submits a form.
2	reset This creates a button that automatically resets form controls to their initial values.
3	button This creates a button that is used to trigger a client-side script when the user clicks that button.
4	image This creates a clickable button but we can use an image as background of the button.

This will produce the following result –



7. Hidden Form Controls

Hidden form controls are used to hide data inside the page which later on can be pushed to the server. This control hides inside the code and does not appear on the actual page. For example, following hidden form is being used to keep current page number. When a user will click next page then the value of hidden control will be sent to the web server and there it will decide which page will be displayed next based on the passed current page.

This will produce the following result –



HTML - Embed Multimedia

The easiest way to add video or sound to your web site is to include the special HTML tag called **<embed>**. This tag causes the browser itself to include controls for the multimedia automatically provided browser supports **<embed>** tag and given media type.

You can also include a **<noembed>** tag for the browsers which don't recognize the <embed> tag.

Following is the list of important attributes which can be used with <embed> tag.

Note –The *align* and *autostart* attributes deprecated in HTML5.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	align Determines how to align the object. It can be set to either center, left or right.
2	autostart This boolean attribute indicates if the media should start automatically. You can set it either true or false.
3	loop Specifies if the sound should be played continuously (set loop to true), a certain number of times (a positive value) or not at all (false)
4	playcount Specifies the number of times to play the sound. This is alternate option for <i>loop</i> if you are usiong IE.
5	hidden Specifies if the multimedia object should be shown on the page. A false value means no and true values means yes.
6	width Width of the object in pixels
7	height Height of the object in pixels

8	name A name used to reference the object.
9	src URL of the object to be embedded.
10	volume Controls volume of the sound. Can be from 0 (off) to 100 (full volume).

Supported Video Types

You can use various media types like Flash movies (.swf), AVI's (.avi), and MOV's (.mov) file types inside embed tag.

- .swf files are the file types created by Macromedia's Flash program.
- .wmv files are Microsoft's Window's Media Video file types.
- .mov files are Apple's Quick Time Movie format.
- .mpeg files are movie files created by the Moving Pictures Expert Group.

```
<body>
  <embed src = "/html/yourfile.swf" width = "200" height = "200" >
  <noembed><img src = "yourimage.gif" alt = "Alternative Media"
  ></noembed>
  </embed>
  </embed>
  </body>
```

Background Audio

You can use HTML **<bgsound>** tag to play a soundtrack in the background of your webpage. This tag is supported by Internet Explorer only and most of the other browsers ignore this tag. It downloads and plays an audio file when the host document is first downloaded by the user and displayed. The background sound file also will replay whenever the user refreshes the browser.

Note - The bgsound tag is deprecated

This tag is having only two attributes *loop* and *src*.

This will produce the blank screen. This tag does not display any component and remains hidden.

Internet Explorer can also handle only three different sound format files – wav, the native format for PCs; au, the native format for most Unix workstations; and MIDI, a universal music-encoding scheme.

HTML Object tag

HTML 4 introduces the **<object>** element, which offers an all-purpose solution to generic object inclusion. The **<object>** element allows HTML authors to specify everything required by an object for its presentation by a user agent.

You can embed an HTML document in an HTML document itself as follows -

```
<object data = "data/test.htm" type = "text/html" width = "300"
height = "200">
   alt : <a href = "data/test.htm">test.htm</a>
</object>
```

Here alt attribute will come into picture if browser does not support object tag.

You can embed a PDF document in an HTML document as follows -

```
<object data = "data/test.pdf" type = "application/pdf" width =
"300" height = "200">
   alt : <a href = "data/test.pdf">test.htm</a>
</object>
```

You can specify some parameters related to the document with the **<param>** tag. Here is an example to embed a way file –

You can add a flash document as follows -

You can add a java applet into HTML document as follows -

The **classid** attribute identifies which version of Java Plug-in to use. You can use the optional *codebase* attribute to specify if and how to download the JRE.

HTML - Marquees

An HTML marquee is a scrolling piece of text displayed either horizontally across or vertically down your webpage depending on the settings. This is created by using HTML <marquees> tag.

Note – The <marquee> tag deprecated in HTML5.

A simple syntax to use HTML <marquee> tag is as follows -

<marquee attribute_name = "attribute_value"....more attributes>
 One or more lines or text message or image
</marquee>

The <marquee> Tag Attributes

Following is the list of important attributes which can be used with <marquee> tag.

Sr.No	Attribute & Description
1	width
	This specifies the width of the marquee. This can be a value like 10 or 20% etc.
2	height
	This specifies the height of the marquee. This can be a value like 10 or 20% etc.
3	direction
	This specifies the direction in which marquee should scroll. This can be a value like <i>up</i> , <i>down</i> , <i>left</i> or <i>right</i> .
4	behavior
	This specifies the type of scrolling of the marquee. This can have a value like scroll, slide and alternate.
5	scrolldelay
	This specifies how long to delay between each jump. This will have a value like 10 etc.
6	scrollamount
	This specifies the speed of marquee text. This can have a value like 10 etc.
7	loop
	This specifies how many times to loop. The default value is INFINITE, which means that the marquee loops endlessly.
8	bgcolor
	This specifies background color in terms of color name or color hex value.

```
9 hspace
This specifies horizontal space around the marquee. This can be a value like 10 or 20% etc.

10 vspace
This specifies vertical space around the marquee. This can be a value like 10 or 20% etc.
```

Examples - 1

```
<body>
    <marquee>This is basic example of marquee</marquee>
</body>
```

This will produce the following result -

This is basic e

Examples - 2

This will produce the following result –

This example will

Examples - 3

This will produce the following result –

croll from left to right

Examples - 4

This will produce the following result -

This text will scroll from bottom to up

HTML - Header

The <head> tag is a container of various important tags like <title>, <meta>, <link>, <base>, <style>, <script>, and <noscript> tags.

The HTML <title> Tag

The HTML <title> tag is used for specifying the title of the HTML document.

The HTML <meta> Tag

The HTML <meta> tag is used to provide metadata about the HTML document which includes information about page expiry, page author, list of keywords, page description etc.

```
<head>
      <title>HTML Meta Tag Example</title>
      <!-- Provide list of keywords -->
      <meta name = "keywords" content = "C, C++, Java, PHP, Perl,</pre>
Python">
      <!-- Provide description of the page -->
      <meta name = "description" content = "Simply Easy Learning</pre>
by Tutorials Point">
      <!-- Author information -->
      <meta name = "author" content = "Tutorials Point">
      <!-- Page content type -->
      <meta http-equiv = "content-type" content = "text/html;</pre>
charset = UTF-8">
      <!-- Page refreshing delay -->
      <meta http-equiv = "refresh" content = "30">
      <!-- Page expiry -->
      <meta http-equiv = "expires" content = "Wed, 21 June 2006</pre>
14:25:27 GMT">
      <!-- Tag to tell robots not to index content of page -->
      <meta name = "robots" content = "noindex, nofollow">
   </head>
```

The HTML <base> Tag

The HTML <base> tag is used for specifying the base URL for all relative URLs in a page, which means all the other URLs will be concatenated into base URL while locating for the given item. For example, all the given pages and images will be searched after prefixing the given URLs with base URL http://www.tutorialspoint.com/ directory –

```
<head>
     <title>HTML Base Tag Example</title>
     <base href = "https://www.tutorialspoint.com/" />
</head>
```

But if you change base URL to something else, for example, if base URL is http://www.tutorialspoint.com/home then image and other given links will become like http://www.tutorialspoint.com/home/images/logo.png and http://www.tutorialspoint.com/html/index.htm

The HTML < link> Tag

The HTML <link> tag is used to specify relationships between the current document and external resource.

The HTML <style> Tag

HTML <style> tag is used to specify style sheet for the current HTML document.

The HTML <script> Tag

The HTML <script> tag is used to include either external script file or to define internal script for the HTML document.

HTML - Style Sheet

Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) describe how documents are presented on screens, in print, or perhaps how they are pronounced. Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) provide easy and effective alternatives to specify various attributes for the HTML tags. Using CSS, you can specify a number of style properties for a given HTML element. Each property has a name and a value, separated by a colon (:). Each property declaration is separated by a semi-colon (;).

Note – The *font* tag deprecated and it is supposed to be removed in a future version of HTML.

We can re-write above example with the help of Style Sheet as follows -

This will produce the following result -

Hello, World!

You can use CSS in three ways in your HTML document -

- External Style Sheet Define style sheet rules in a separate .css file and then include that file in your HTML document using HTML link> tag.
- Internal Style Sheet Define style sheet rules in header section of the HTML document using <style> tag.
- **Inline Style Sheet** Define style sheet rules directly along-with the HTML elements using **style** attribute.

External Style Sheet

If you need to use your style sheet to various pages, then its always recommended to define a common style sheet in a separate file. A cascading style sheet file will have extension as **.css** and it will be included in HTML files using link> tag.

```
.red {
   color: red;
}
.thick {
   font-size:20px;
}
.green {
   color:green;
}
```

Here we defined three CSS rules which will be applicable to three different classes defined for the HTML tags.

This will produce the following result –

```
This is red
This is thick
This is thick and green
```

Internal Style Sheet

If you want to apply Style Sheet rules to a single document only, then you can include those rules in header section of the HTML document using <style> tag.

Rules defined in internal style sheet overrides rules defined in an external CSS file.

This will produce the same result as above.

Inline Style Sheet

You can apply style sheet rules directly to any HTML element using **style** attribute of the relevant tag. This should be done only when you are interested to make a particular change in any HTML element only. Rules defined inline with the element overrides the rules defined in an external CSS file as well as the rules defined in <style> element.

This will produce the same result as above.

HTML - JavaScript

A **script** is a small piece of program that can add interactivity to your website. For example, a script could generate a pop-up alert box message, or provide a dropdown menu. This script could be written using JavaScript or VBScript.

You can write various small functions, called event handlers using any of the scripting language and then you can trigger those functions using HTML attributes.

JavaScript used by most of web developers, VBScript is not supported by browsers

External JavaScript

If we need to use in various HTML documents then keep that JavaScript file separate with extension as .js and then include that file in your HTML documents using <script> tag.

```
function Hello() {
  alert("Hello, World");
}
```

This will produce the following result, where you can try to click on the given button

```
Click Me
```

Internal Script

Usually keep script code in header of the document using <script> tag, otherwise you can put your source code anywhere in the document but inside <script> tag.

This will produce the same result, where you can try to click on the given button

Event Handlers

Event handlers are nothing but simply defined functions which can be called against any mouse or keyboard event. You can define your business logic inside your event handler which can vary from a single to 1000s of line code.

write one simple function *EventHandler()* in the header of the document. We will call this function when any user brings mouse over a paragraph.

This produces following result. Bring your mouse over this line and see the result

Bring your mouse here to see an alert

Hide Scripts from Older Browsers

Although most (if not all) browsers these days support JavaScript, but still some older browsers don't. If a browser doesn't support JavaScript, instead of running your script, it would display the code to the user. To prevent this, you can simply place HTML comments around the script as shown below.

The <noscript> Element

You can also provide alternative info to the users whose browsers don't support scripts and for those users who have disabled script option in their browsers. You can do this using the **<noscript>** tag.

Default Scripting Language

There may be a situation when you will include multiple script files and ultimately using multiple <script> tags. You can specify a default scripting language for all your *script* tags. This saves you from specifying the language every time you use a script tag within the page.

```
<meta http-equiv = "Content-Script-Type" content =
"text/JavaScript" />
```

Note- you can still override the default by specifying a language within the script tag.

HTML - Layouts

modern websites are using CSS and JavaScript based framework to come up with responsive and dynamic websites but you can create a good layout using simple HTML tables or division tags in combination with other formatting tags.

HTML Layout - Using Tables

The simplest and most popular way of creating layouts is using HTML tag. These tables are arranged in columns and rows, so you can utilize these rows and columns in whatever way you like.

following HTML layout example is achieved using a table with 3 rows and 2 columns but the header and footer column spans both columns using the colspan attribute –

```
<body>
 \langle t.r \rangle
    <h1>This is Web Page Main title</h1>
    <b>Main Menu</b><br />
     HTML<br />
     PHP<br />
     PERL...
    Technical and Managerial Tutorials
    <center>
      Copyright © 2007 Tutorialspoint.com
     </center>
```

This will produce the following result –



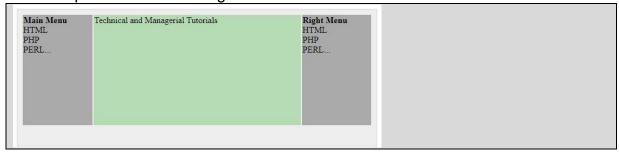
Multiple Columns Layout - Using Tables

You can design your webpage to put your web content in multiple pages. You can keep your content in middle column and you can use left column to use menu and right column can be used to put advertisement or some other stuff.

Here is an example to create three column layout -

```
<body>
 <b>Main Menu</b><br />
     HTML<br />
     PHP<br />
     PERL...
   Technical and Managerial Tutorials
   <b>Right Menu</b><br />
     HTML<br />
     PHP<br />
     PERL...
```

This will produce the following result –



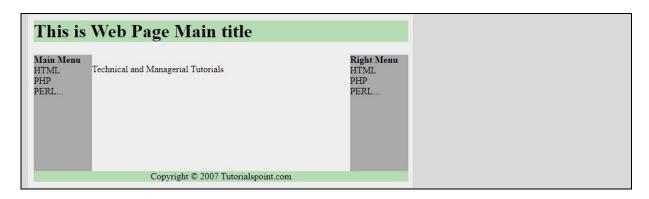
HTML Layouts - Using DIV, SPAN

The <div> element is a block level element used for grouping HTML elements. HTML element is used for grouping elements at an inline level.

Although we can achieve pretty nice layouts with HTML tables, but tables weren't really designed as a layout tool. Tables are more suited to presenting tabular data.

```
<body>
      <div style = "width:100%">
         <div style = "background-color:#b5dcb3; width:100%">
            <h1>This is Web Page Main title</h1>
         </div>
         <div style = "background-color:#aaa; height:200px;</pre>
width:100px; float:left;">
            <div><b>Main Menu</b></div>
            HTML<br />
            PHP<br />
            PERL...
         </div>
         <div style = "background-color:#eee; height:200px;</pre>
width:350px; float:left;" >
            Technical and Managerial Tutorials
         </div>
         <div style = "background-color:#aaa; height:200px;</pre>
width:100px; float:right;">
            <div><b>Right Menu</b></div>
            HTML<br />
            PHP<br />
            PERL...
         </div>
         <div style = "background-color:#b5dcb3; clear:both">
            <center>
               Copyright © 2007 Tutorialspoint.com
            </center>
         </div>
      </div>
```

This will produce the following result –



You can create better layout using DIV, SPAN along with CSS.