Chapter 25: Media Elements

Attribute Details

width Sets the element's width in pixels. height Sets the element's height in pixels.

controls Displays controls

autoplay Automatically start playing the media loop Plays the media in a repeated cycle muted Plays the media without sound

poster Assigns an image to display until a video is loaded

Section 25.1: Audio

HTML5 provides a new standard for embedding an audio file on a web page.

You can embed an audio file to a page using the <audio> element:

```
<audio controls>
    <source src="file.mp3" type="audio/mpeg">
Your browser does not support the audio element.
</audio>
```

Section 25.2: Video

You can embed also a video to a webpage using the <video> element:

```
<video width="500" height="700" controls>
  <source src="video.mp4" type="video/mp4">
Your browser does not support the video tag.
</video>
```

Section 25.3: Using `<video>` and `<audio>` element to display audio/video content

Use the HTML or **<audio>** element to embed video/audio content in a document. The video/audio element contains one or more video/audio sources. To specify a source, use either the src attribute or the **<source>** element; the browser will choose the most suitable one.

Audio tag example:

```
<!-- Simple video example -->
<video src="videofile.webm" autoplay poster="posterimage.jpg">
    Sorry, your browser doesn't support embedded videos,
    but don't worry, you can <a href="videofile.webm">download it</a>
    and watch it with your favorite video player!
</video>
<!-- Video with subtitles -->
<video src="foo.webm">
    <track kind="subtitles" src="foo.en.vtt" srclang="en" label="English">
    <track kind="subtitles" src="foo.sv.vtt" srclang="sv" label="Svenska">
```

Audio tag example:

```
<!-- Simple audio playback -->
<audio src="http://developer.mozilla.org/@api/deki/files/2926/=AudioTest_(1).ogg" autoplay>
    Your browser does not support the <code>audio</code> element.
</audio>
<!-- Audio playback with captions -->
<audio src="foo.ogg">
    <track kind="captions" src="foo.en.vtt" srclang="en" label="English">
    <track kind="captions" src="foo.sv.vtt" srclang="sv" label="Svenska">
    </audio>
```

Section 25.4: Video header or background

Adding a video that will autoplay on a loop and has no controls or sound. Perfect for a video header or background.

This CSS provides a fallback if the video cannot be loaded. Note that is it recomended to use the first frame of the video as the poster video.jpg.

```
#videobg {
  background: url(video.jpg) no-repeat;
  background-size: cover;
}
```