Day 6

Today, we began Week 2 of our Web Development and Graphics course. The focus was on transitioning from basic styling to a more modern, visually appealing web design. We revisited our landing page from Week 1 and began refining its layout, color schemes, and structure using CSS best practices. This included better use of colors, fonts, spacing, and layout containers.

Topics Covered:

1. CSS Design Principles:

- Importance of visual hierarchy
- · Consistency in typography and spacing
- Use of white space
- Focus on readability and user experience (UX)

2. Fonts and Typography:

- Introduced Google Fonts
- How to link custom fonts in HTML

3. Color Theory Basics:

- Chose a professional color palette using <u>Coolors</u>
- Applied background, text, and accent colors
- Used :root and CSS variables for maintainability:

```
:root {
   --primary-color: #4e89ae;
   --accent-color: #f2b5d4;
   --text-color: #333;
}
```

4. Improving Layout with Containers:

- Created reusable layout sections
- Used max-width, margin: auto, and padding for content blocks

```
.container {
  max-width: 960px;
  margin: 0 auto;
  padding: 40px 20px;
}
```

5. Header Navigation Update:

- Converted simple nav into a horizontal navigation bar
- Added hover transitions:

```
nav a:hover {
  color: var(--accent-color);
  transition: color 0.3s ease;
}
```

Summary:

This session marked a real transformation in the look and feel of my landing page. Learning how to apply consistent fonts, a refined color scheme, and structured layout made the site feel more modern and professional. I realized how much small design choices can drastically improve user experience.