

Day 3

Heroes of CSS

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Afternoon Slides

> YOUR TURN!!

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<section> #666

<section> #888

<section> #666

<aside> #fff

<section> #eee

<div> #6ea3da

<footer> #ccc



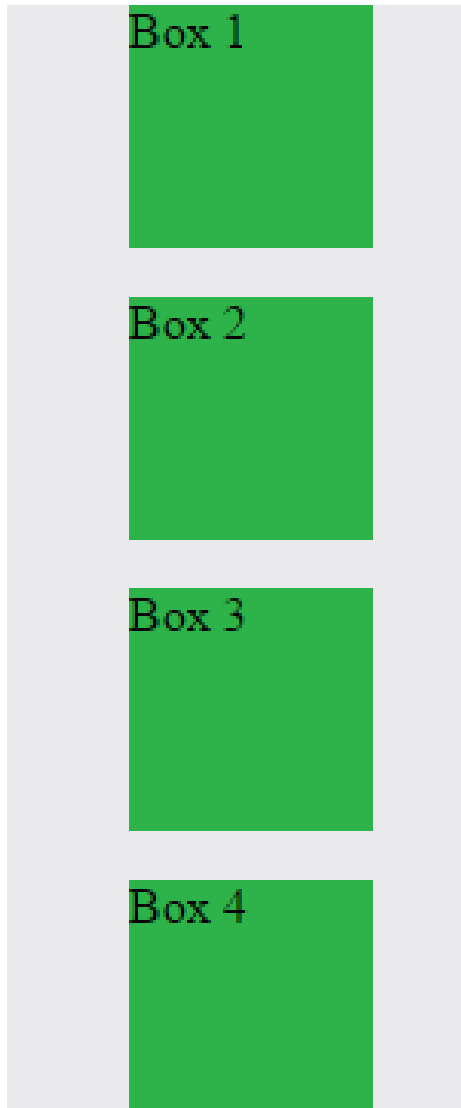
Good work!



Your Brain may rest now

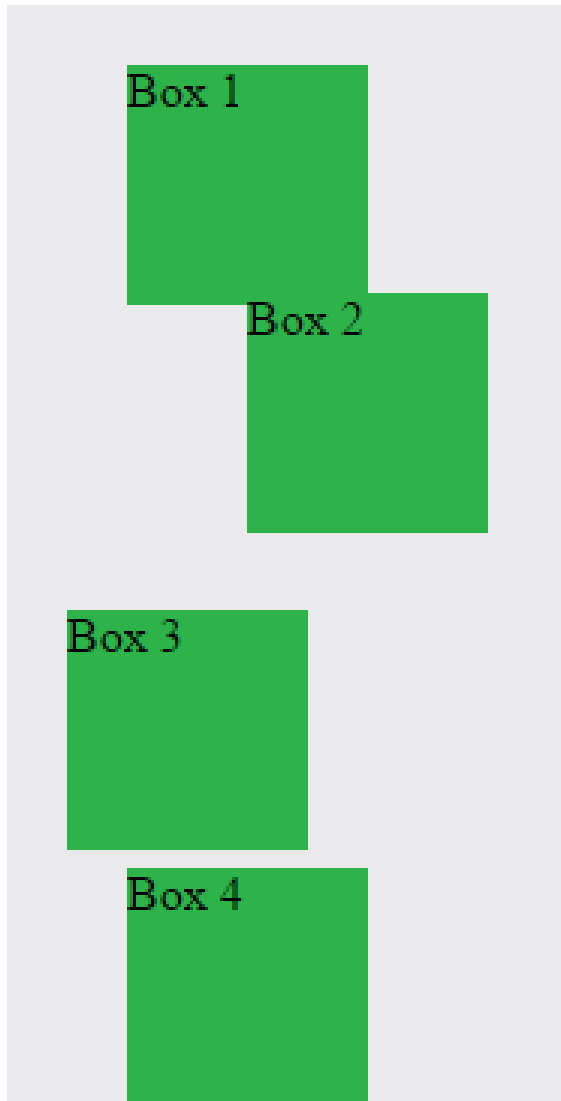
CSS Positioning

Position: Static (Default)



- Four boxes placed statically (default)

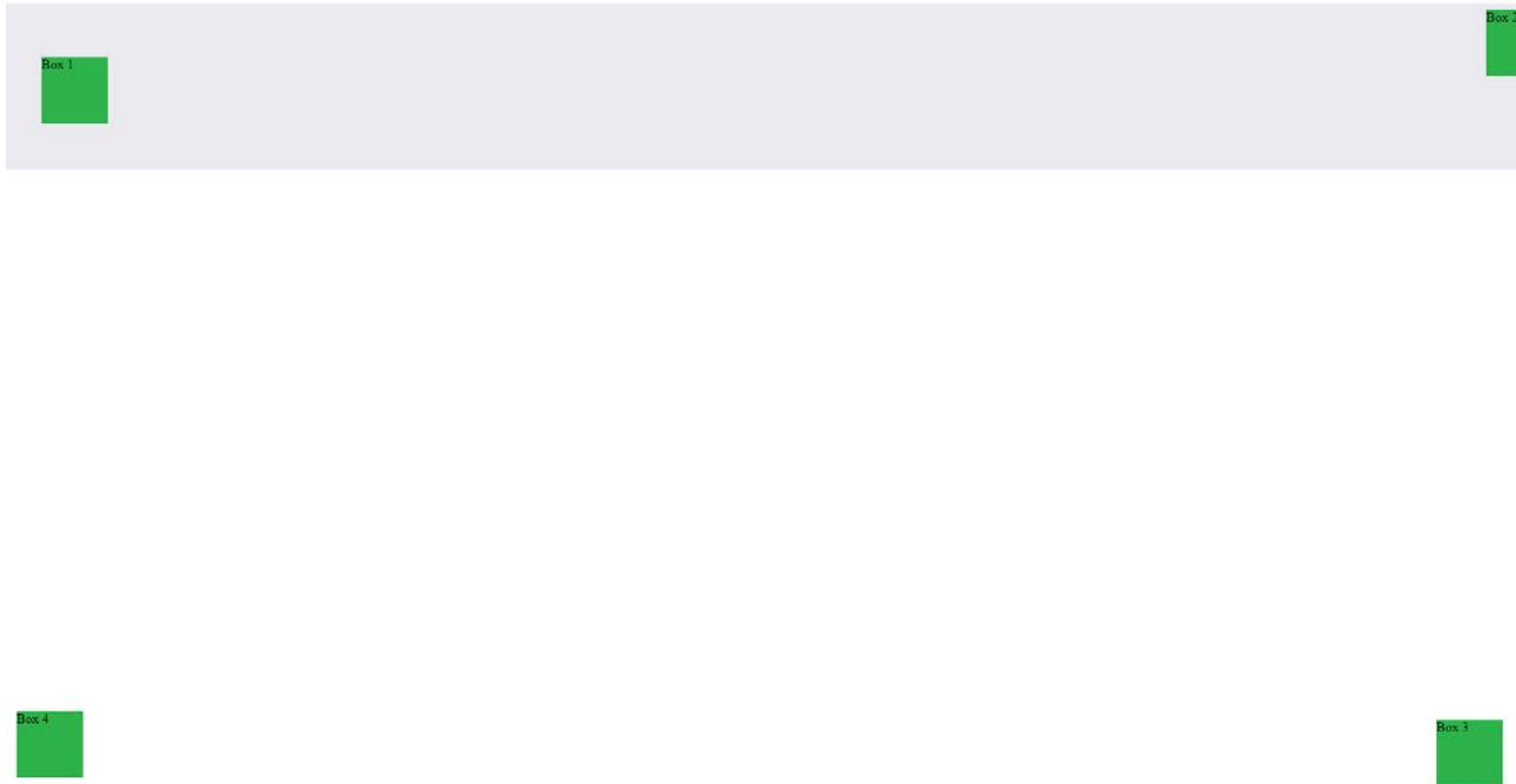
Position: Relative



- Switching the boxes to relative nudges the boxes in relation to their “original” location.

```
.box {  
  background: #2db34a;  
  height: 80px;  
  position: relative;  
  width: 80px;  
}  
.box-1 {  
  top: 20px;  
}  
.box-2 {  
  left: 40px;  
}  
.box-3 {  
  bottom: -10px;  
  right: 20px;  
}
```

Position: Absolute



- **Position with location relevant to first “placed” element**

Position: Fixed

Box 1



Box 2



Box 4

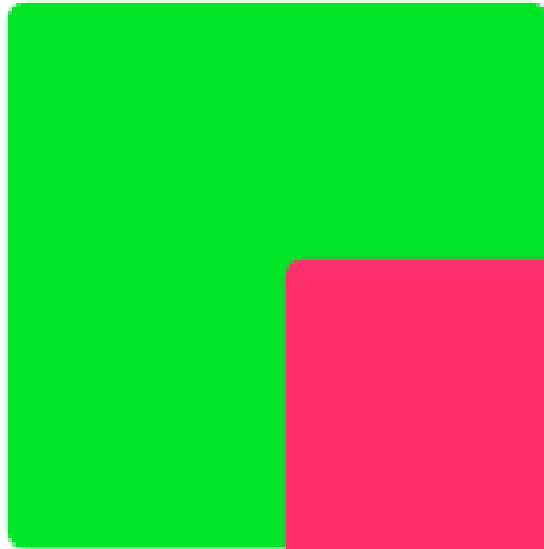


Box 3



- **Position with exact coordinates to the browser window**

Layering with Z-Index



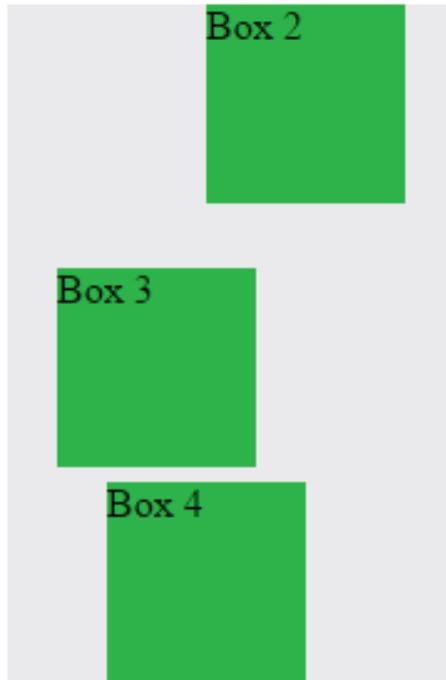
**position: absolute;
z-index: 1;**



**position: absolute;
z-index: 2;**

- **Z-Index allows you to layer elements on top of each other when placed in absolute coordinates**

Hiding Things



- Display none allows elements to be completely hidden from view.
- This becomes useful because in later sections, we will be selectively activating and de-activating.

Instructor: Demo
(5-CSS_PositionedLayout)

Great Resource

Learn to Code

HTML & CSS

Lesson 1

Building Your First Web Page

Lesson 2

Getting to Know HTML

Lesson 3

Getting to Know CSS **New**

Lesson 4

Opening the Box Model

Lesson 5

Positioning Content **New**

Lesson 6

Lesson 5

Positioning Content

One of the best things about CSS is that it gives us the ability to position content and elements on a page in nearly any imaginable way, bringing structure to our designs and helping make content more digestible.

There are a few different types of positioning within CSS, and each has its own application. In this chapter we're going to take a look at a few different use cases—creating reusable layouts and uniquely positioning one-off elements—and describe a few ways to go about each.

Positioning with Floats

One way to position elements on a page is with the `float` property. The `float` property is pretty versatile and can be used in a number of different ways.

Essentially, the `float` property allows us to take an element, remove it from the normal flow of a page, and [position it](#) to the left or right of its parent element. All other

In this Lesson

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CSS

- [Positioning with Floats](#)
- [Positioning with Inline-Block](#)
- [Creating Reusable Layouts](#)
- [Uniquely Positioning Elements](#)

SHARE



- **Another great read for front-end developers (and game designers):**
<http://learn.shayhowe.com/html-css/positioning-content/>

Assignment

In this activity, you will be flexing your newfound positioning skills to create another conceptual layout. Eyeball the design to your best ability.

Additional instructions, sent via Slack.

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position: fixed

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`<div>`
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`<div>`
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Advice



Re-do this at home.
*It's a good one to firm up
your HTML/CSS skills.*

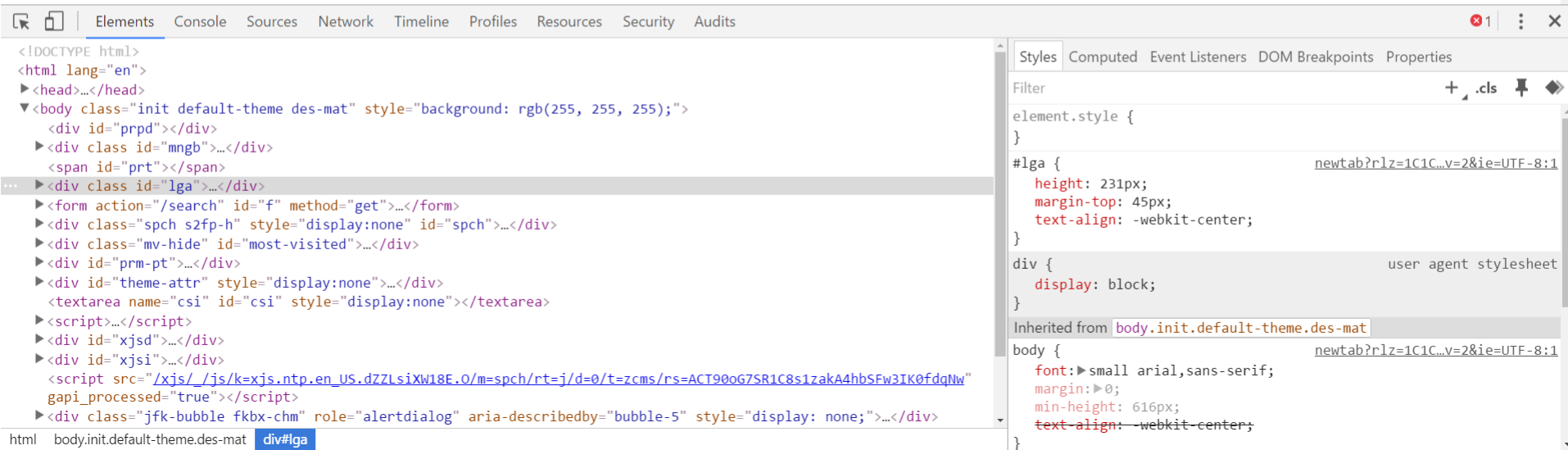
REMEMBER:
*The best way to get good
is to PRACTICE*

Chrome Inspector

Chrome Inspector is Your Friend



Search Google or type URL



The screenshot displays the Chrome DevTools interface. The top bar shows the 'Elements' tab selected. The left pane shows the DOM tree with the following structure:

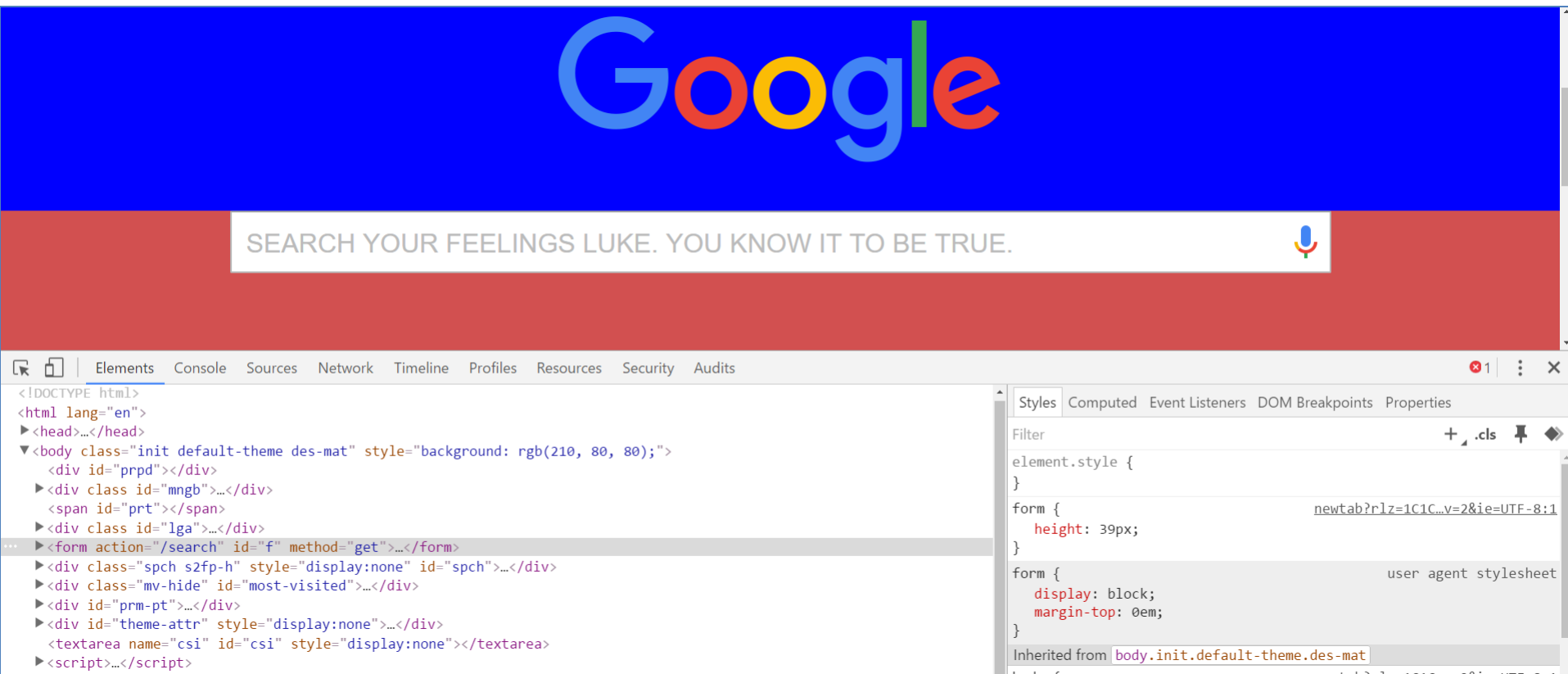
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>...</head>
<body class="init default-theme des-mat" style="background: rgb(255, 255, 255);">
  <div id="prpd"></div>
  <div class id="mngb">...</div>
  <span id="prt"></span>
  <div class id="lga">...</div>
  <form action="/search" id="f" method="get">...</form>
  <div class="spch s2fp-h" style="display:none" id="spch">...</div>
  <div class="mv-hide" id="most-visited">...</div>
  <div id="prm-pt">...</div>
  <div id="theme-attr" style="display:none">...</div>
  <textarea name="csi" id="csi" style="display:none"></textarea>
  <script>...</script>
  <div id="xjsd">...</div>
  <div id="xjsi">...</div>
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    gapi_processed="true"></script>
  <div class="jfk-bubble fkbx-chm" role="alertdialog" aria-describedby="bubble-5" style="display: none;">...</div>
```

The right pane shows the 'Styles' tab for the selected element. The CSS rules are:

```
element.style {
}
#lga {
  height: 231px;
  margin-top: 45px;
  text-align: -webkit-center;
}
div {
  display: block;
}
Inherited from body.init.default-theme.des-mat
body {
  font: small arial,sans-serif;
  margin: 0;
  min-height: 616px;
  text-align: -webkit-center;
```

- To access chrome inspector: Right click on a page then hit “Inspect”
- It will allow you to inspect the HTML, CSS, and more!

Chrome Inspector is Your Friend



- **Using Chrome Inspector you can readily edit any webpage** (your own or otherwise) to see the immediate impact of HTML or CSS changes

> YOUR TURN!!

Assignment

For the next 15 minutes, take a website that you commonly use (Amazon, Google, Huff Po, etc.) and heavily modify it using the Google Developer Tools.

Be sure to at least modify:

- Content (Change words)
- Colors
- Spacing
- Etc.

Send a screenshot to the class' slack profile when you're done.

CSS Resets

Loading Multiple CSS Files ***** (Very Important!!!) *****

```
1  <!DOCTYPE html>
2  <html>
3  <head>
4      <title>Multiple CSS Files!!</title>
5      <link rel="stylesheet" href="assets/style1.css">
6      <link rel="stylesheet" href="assets/style2.css">
7      <link rel="stylesheet" href="assets/style3.css">
8  </head>
9  <body>
10 <header>
```

- One of the most powerful aspects of CSS is the ability to deploy multiple CSS files simultaneously.
- This allows developers the ability to create complex designs – made up of multiple design elements.
- Just remember the loading **order matters!!!**

Battle of the Browsers



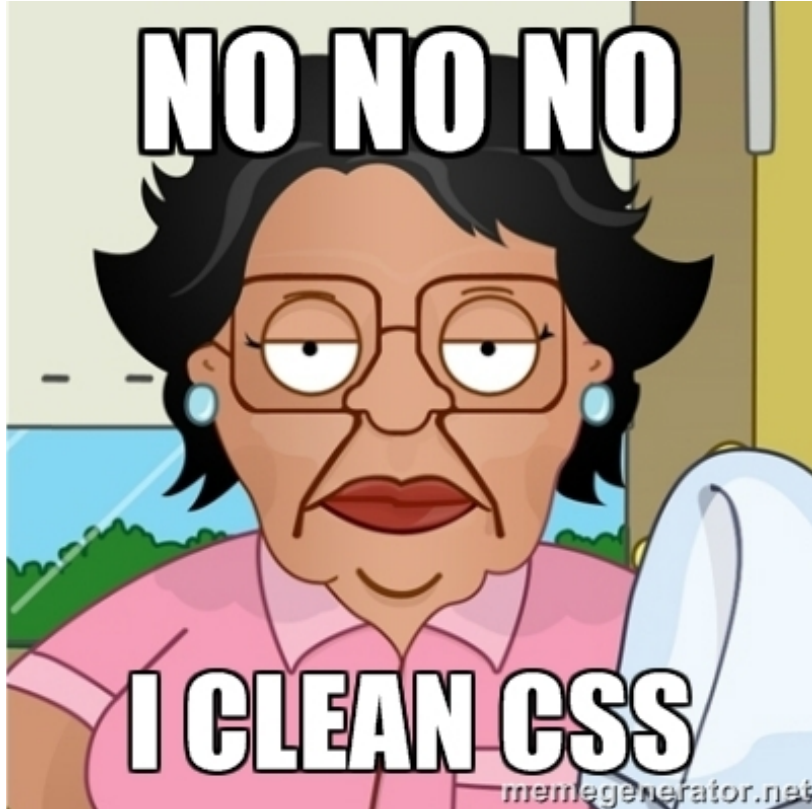
- Under-the hood there are often significant differences between how browsers **render** webpages.
- These differences in rendering agents can mean HTML/CSS gets displayed differently in each.
- As designers/developers, creating **cross-browser compatible** websites is critical.

Reset.css (or Normalize.css)



- Reset.css ensures that all browser-specific css has been reset, so it appears the same in all browsers.
- This means you will have to re-style everything yourself

Why CSS Resets Matter



1. It's important for creating browser-compatible websites
2. It's an example of using someone else's CSS in your website!!!
3. It's a common Front-End Developer Interview question.

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Assignment

Follow the instructions given via slack to incorporate a reset.css file into a basic HTML file.

Note the impact the reset file makes after its inclusion.

Recap + Reassurances



You
got
this