



HTML & CSS: LEVEL 1

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SESSION OVERVIEW

- Finish our code demo from last week
- Review Box Model, Classes and Ids.
- Layout properties
- Floats and positioning
- Website with columns and floats



{} ANCHOR PSEUDO CLASSES

- Pseudo-classes are added to a selector to add conditional styles to an element.
- Most commonly used to style states of <a> and form elements.

```
a { /* default */ }
a:visited { /* a link that has been clicked */ }
a:hover { /* a link that has a mouse hover */ }
a:focus { /* a link that has keyboard focus */ }
a:active { /* a link that is being clicked */ }
```

{} :HOVER VS. :FOCUS

- :hover is for a link or other element that has a mouse hover.
- :focus is for a link or other element that has keyboard focus.

```
a:hover,
a:focus {
  /* often easiest to style them together */
}
```

{} OTHER PSEUDO CLASSES

- :first-letter styles the first letter of a block of text.
- :first-child and :last-child style the first and last children of a parent.
- :nth-child() can be used to style even or odd children, or to do math to style every 3rd or 5th, etc.
- ::selection styles text that is selected by the user.

CLASSES AND IDS

- **class** and **id** attributes can be added to any HTML element.
- Classes are for multiple elements on the page. (styles to re-used)
- IDs are for single, unique elements on a page.
- You can create whatever class and id values you want.

```
<div id="header"></div>
<div class="comment-box"></div>
```

CLASS ATTRIBUTES

```
.comment-box {
  width: 300px;
  padding: 20px;
  margin: auto;
}
```

- classes can be shared by multiple elements on a page.
- Elements can have **multiple** classes.

```
<div class="comment-box bg-blue margin-sm"></div>
```

CLASS SELECTORS IN CSS

- Start with a **period** (.)
- Can style any element with the class.

```
.kittens { width: 300px; }
```

• Or can be used to style only a **specific type** of element with the class.

```
h3.kittens { width: 400px; }
```

• Classes are **more specific** than an HTML selector.

ID ATTRIBUTES

- **IDs** cannot be shared by multiple elements on a single page.
- Elements cannot have multiple IDs.

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

ID SELECTORS IN CSS

- Start with a hash/pound sign (#)
- Can style the single element with the ID.

```
#kittens { background-color: #000000; }
```

IDs are more specific than class selectors!

MIXING CLASS AND ID ATTRIBUTES

• Elements can have **id** and **class** attributes at the same time.

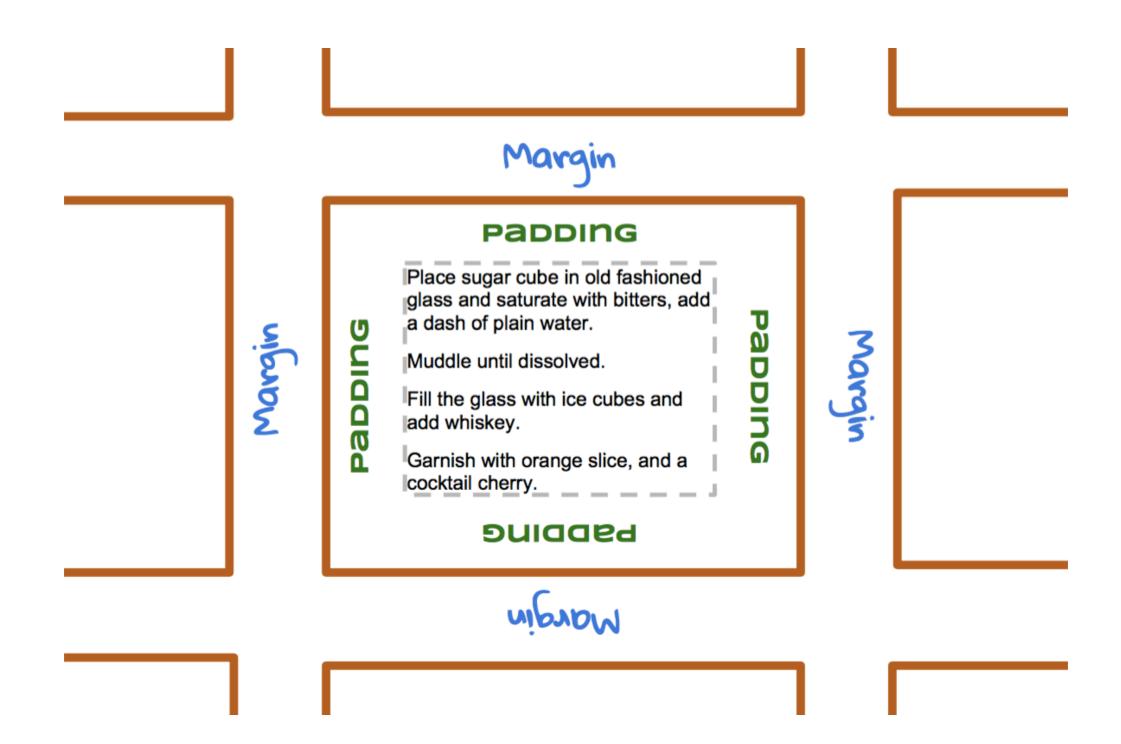
```
<div id="kittens">...</div>
<div id="puppies" class="small fluffy"></div>
<div id="birds" class="small feathery"></div>
```

• IDs selector styles can be used to override class selector styles.

CSS BOX MODEL

- **Content:** stuff in the box
- Padding: bubble wrap and packing peanuts
- **Border:** sides of the box
- Margin: space between multiple boxes
- In general, the box model applies to **block** ad **inline-block** elements.

CSS BOX MODEL



BOX SIZING

```
body {
   box-sizing: content-box; /* browser default*/
}

* {
   box-sizing: border-box;
}
```

 border-box includes border and padding inside of width (recommended)

PADDING

 padding creates space between content and the border for readability/visual spacing.

```
#my-box {
   padding-top: 20px;
   padding-right: 40px;
   padding-bottom 40px;
   padding-left: 20px;
/* or.. */
#my-box {
   padding: 20px 40px 40px 20px;
```

MARGIN

- Goes outside the border.
- Creates space between the "boxes" of elements.
- Same abbreviation style as padding.
- Can take **negative** values to shift elements opposite direction.

```
#my-box {
    margin-top: -20px;
    margin-left: 30px;
}
```

BORDER STYLES

• Allow you to specify the style, width, and color of an element **border**.

```
#my-box {
   border-width: 4px;
   border-color: #000000
   border-style: dotted
}
```

Abbreviation:

```
#my-box { border 4px dotted #000000}
```

BACKGROUND IMAGES

- The property is background-image.
- The value is a **URL where the image lives.** (relative or absolute path)

```
#my-box {
    background-image: url("images/kitten.jpg");
}
```

BACKGROUND IMAGES STYLES

- background-repeat: repeat/tile image horizontally or vertically; or not at all. (useful for patterns)
- **background-position:** Start at the left or right, top or bottom, center or not.
- background-attachment: Is it fixed or does it scroll with page?
- background-size: How much of the container does it cover?
- https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/CSS/ background

QUESTIONS?



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- But now, with the advancements of CSS, we can use a variety of properties to arrange elements on the screen by adjusting the flow of the page.
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3 WEB LAYOUT PROPERTIES

- display: for dictating how elements behave within the box model. (block, inline, inline-block)
- float: for moving elements around within the page flow.
- position: for moving elements in and out of the page flow altogether.

THE DISPLAY PROPERTY

- Remember block, inline, and inline-block elements?
- You can tell elements to display differently using the CSS display property.
- Example:
 - display: block;
 - display: inline;
 - display: inline-block;

WHY USE DISPLAY?

- Make a link look more like a button.
- Add padding and margins to an inline element like a span.
- Make navigation links display horizontally.
- Make any text elements display inline.
- Make divs behave like images.



FLOATS!!!!!!

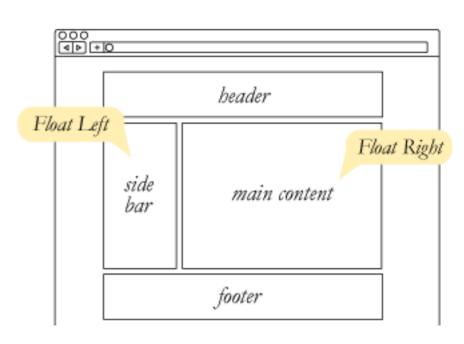
CSS FLOATS

- CSS floats can be tricky to grasp, but are foundational in creating complex web layouts.
- The float CSS property specifies that an element should be taken from the normal flow and placed along the left or right side of its container, where text and inline elements will wrap around it. (MDN)

CSS FLOATS

- Easiest way to offset content like divs, images, pullquotes, or other elements within the flow of a document.
- Requires that an element have display: block;
- Three possible values: left, right, none;
- float: none; is browser default.

```
#sidebar {
    float: left;
}
```

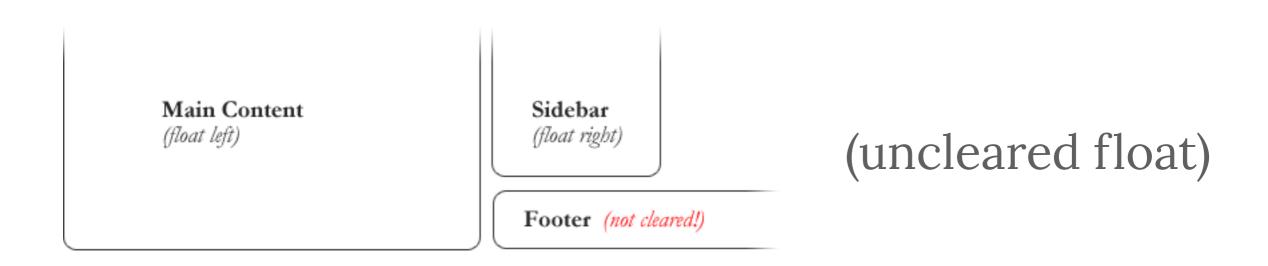




DEMO

THE CLEAR PROPERTY

- CSS float's sister is the clear property.
- An element that has the clear property set on it will not move up adjacent to the float like the float desires, but will move itself down past the float.



THE CLEAR PROPERTY

- One of the trickiest things about floats is when to stop "floating"
- You can give any element the **clear:both**; style to prevent it from floating.

```
#sidebar {
    clear: both;
}
```

THE MAGIC FLOAT FIX

- The most common fix today though is the self-clearing float.
- You can use a **pseudo-element** on the parent of the floated elements to create a "**self-clearing**" float.

```
.clearfix:after {
   content: "";
   display: block;
   height: 0;
   clear: both;
}
```



DEMO



CSS POSITIONING

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- The **position** property lets us arrange elements:
 - In relation to the normal flow (relative)
 - In a very specific place outside of the flow or within a relative element. (absolute)
 - In relation to the browser window (fixed)
- How **position** is applied depends on where the element is in the flow by default.

CSS POSITIONING

- We can dictate where elements go on the page down to the pixel!
- left, right, top, bottom
- Can tweak positively or negatively.

```
nav {
    position: absolute;
    right: -10px;
    top: 30px;
}
```

POSITION: FIXED

- **position: fixed**; is a way to make content "stick" to the browser window, regardless of where the user scrolls.
- Commonly used to make headers, nav, or footers that follow the page as it scrolls.

```
nav {
    position: fixed;
    width: 100%;
    left: 0;
    top: 0;
}
```



PRACTICE TIME!