

Week 1 – Day 5: Personal Portfolio (HTML)

Project-Based Practical Lecture

Topic: Personal Portfolio Website using Semantic HTML & Forms

Mode: Practical Lab + Mentoring | Assignment 1 (A1) Released

Learning Objectives

- Plan a multi-page portfolio structure and navigation.
- Apply semantic HTML sections (header, nav, main, section, article, footer).
- Create an accessible contact form with validation.
- Organize project content using readable headings and lists.
- Prepare a portfolio layout for future CSS styling.

Warm-Up Review (5 Minutes)

- What is the purpose of the <nav> element?
- Why should every page have only one <main>?
- What makes a form accessible?

Project Overview (10 Minutes)

Goal: Build a simple multi-page personal portfolio that can be styled later with CSS.

Pages to create:

- index.html — Home / About
- projects.html — Project highlights
- contact.html — Contact form
- resume.html (optional) — Skills and experience

Recommended Folder Structure

```
portfolio/
  index.html
  projects.html
  contact.html
  assets/
    images/
```

Key Requirements

- Consistent header and navigation on every page.
- Clear heading hierarchy (one h1 per page, then h2/h3).
- Semantic sections for better readability and SEO.
- A contact form with labels and validation.

Demo: Base Layout (15 Minutes)

Starter header and navigation (repeat on every page):

```
<header>
  <h1>Amna Khan</h1>
  <p>Frontend Developer | HTML | CSS | JavaScript</p>
  <nav>
    <a href="index.html">Home</a>
    <a href="projects.html">Projects</a>
    <a href="contact.html">Contact</a>
  </nav>
</header>
```

Page 1: Home / About (10 Minutes)

Purpose: Introduce yourself to visitors.

Suggested sections:

- About Me (short bio)
- Skills (list)
- Highlights (bullet points)

Example:

```
<main>
  <section>
    <h2>About Me</h2>
    <p>I build clean, user-friendly websites and enjoy learning new tools.</p>
  </section>
  <section>
    <h2>Skills</h2>
    <ul>
      <li>HTML5</li>
      <li>CSS3</li>
      <li>Responsive Design</li>
    </ul>
  </section>
```

```
</ul>
</section>
</main>
```

Page 2: Projects (10 Minutes)

Purpose: Showcase 2–3 projects using article cards.

```
<main>
  <section>
    <h2>Projects</h2>
    <article>
      <h3>Landing Page</h3>
      <p>A responsive landing page built with semantic HTML.</p>
      <a href="#">View project</a>
    </article>
    <article>
      <h3>Recipe Blog</h3>
      <p>A simple blog layout using sections and lists.</p>
      <a href="#">View project</a>
    </article>
  </section>
</main>
```

Page 3: Contact (10 Minutes)

Purpose: Collect messages from visitors.

Form requirements:

- Labels linked using for/id attributes
- Required name and email fields
- Optional message field

Example Form:

```
<form>
  <label for="full-name">Full Name</label>
  <input id="full-name" name="full-name" type="text" required />

  <label for="email">Email</label>
  <input id="email" name="email" type="email" required />

  <label for="message">Message</label>
  <textarea id="message" name="message" rows="5"></textarea>
```

```
<button type="submit">Send</button>  
</form>
```

Accessibility Reminders (5 Minutes)

- Use only one `<h1>` per page.
- Always provide alt text for images.
- Ensure form labels clearly describe inputs.

Practical Lab & Mentoring (30–40 Minutes)

Task:

- Build the multi-page portfolio using the structure above.
- Add your real content (bio, skills, projects).
- Validate HTML and check navigation links.

Instructor Support Focus:

- Help with page-to-page navigation links.
- Ensure semantic structure is correct.
- Review form labels and required fields.

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- Share assignment instructions and due date.
- Remind students to submit their complete portfolio folder.

Wrap-Up (5 Minutes)

- Why is consistent navigation important?
- Which semantic tag holds the main page content?
- What input type validates email?

Homework (Optional)

- Add a Resume page.
- Add a Projects image gallery (with alt text).
- Add a simple footer with contact links.