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HTML

HTML & XHTML

XHTML

- XHTML is HTML written as XML
- XHTML stands for **EX**tensible **HyperText Markup Language**
- XHTML is almost identical to HTML
- XHTML is stricter than HTML
- XHTML is HTML defined as an XML application
- XHTML is supported by all major browsers

Why XHTML?

- Many pages on the internet contain "bad" HTML

The Most Important Differences from HTML

Document Structure

XHTML DOCTYPE is **mandatory**

The xmlns attribute in <html> is **mandatory**

<html>, <head>, <title>, and <body> are **mandatory**

XHTML Elements

XHTML elements must be **properly nested**

XHTML elements must always be **closed**

XHTML elements must be in **lowercase**

XHTML documents must have **one root element**

XHTML Attributes

Attribute names must be in **lower case**

Attribute values must be **quoted**

Attribute minimization is **forbidden**

XHTML Elements Must Be Properly Nested

- `<i>This text is bold and italic</i>`

XHTML Elements Must Always Be Closed

- `<p>`This is a paragraph

Empty Elements Must Also Be Closed

- A break: `
`
- A horizontal rule: `<hr>`
- An image: ``

XHTML Elements Must Be In Lower Case

```
<BODY>
```

```
<P>This is a paragraph</P>
```

```
</BODY>
```

XHTML Attribute Names Must Be In Lower Case

- `<table WIDTH="100%">`

Attribute Values Must Be Quoted

- `<table width=100%>`

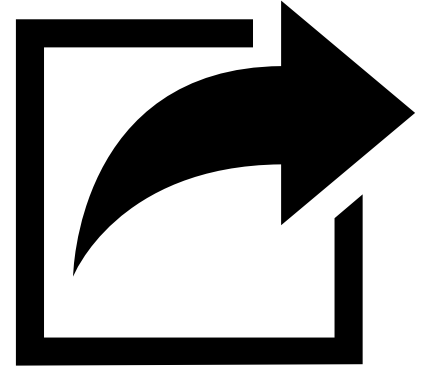
Attribute Minimization Is Forbidden

- `<input type="checkbox" name="vehicle" value="car" checked />`

How to Convert from HTML to XHTML

- Add an XHTML `<!DOCTYPE>` to the first line of every page
- Add an `xmlns` attribute to the `html` element of every page
- Change all element names to lowercase
- Close all empty elements
- Change all attribute names to lowercase
- Quote all attribute values

Thank you



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