Images

Best practices for adding images



Images – its more than the tag

- Many file types are widely supported
 - JPEG (.jpg and .jpeg), GIF, and PNG
 - SVG and BMP are additional options
 - File extensions must be included
- Every image must be downloaded, so size can be a factor
- Every image requires an HTTP Request



Image Sizes

- When you link to an image the browser displays the image as big (or small) as the file.
 - This size is rarely optimal
- "Quick" solutions change file, use width/height attributes



Using an Editor

- Editors can be used to permanently change the size of the image
 - Only works on local files

 Built-in software for this includes Preview (Mac) and Paint (Windows)



Using Attributes

~ 가 또 로 라, 보에서 content costyle을 분취하 최저한, image 는 러외.

 Always strive to keep style out of your HTML files but...

 tag includes width and height attributes



Default Image size

```
<figure>
    <img src = "imgs/Ashtabula.jpg"
        alt = "My house">
        <figcaption>Default image size</figcaption>
    </figure>
```



Using Width in Pixels

```
<figure>
<img src = "imgs/Ashtabula.jpg"
    width = "500px" alt = "My house">
<figcaption>Set image size</figcaption>
</figure>
```



Using Width and Height

```
<fiqure>
  <img src = "imgs/Ashtabula.jpg"</pre>
       width = "500px" height = "100px"
       alt = "My house">
  <figcaption>Skewed image size</figcaption>
</figure>
```

Using Percentages

```
Maybe this is the best option!

No Screen Size A First (Fit device it the device it screen in this held)

First object III
```

```
<figure>
    <img src = "imgs/Ashtabula.jpg"
        width = "50%" alt = "My house">
        <figcaption>Relative image size</figcaption>
</figure>
```



Favicons

- You can put image/logo/icon next to the title of your page (in the tab)
- Must go in <head> section

```
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<link rel="icon" type="image/png" href="imgs/wd4elogo.png" />



Alternative Text Attribute

- Provides a textual alternative to non-text content
- Read by screen readers
- Displayed in place of images
- Provides semantic meaning for search engines



Creating Good alt text

- Be accurate
- Be succinct
- Don't be redundant
- Don't include "picture of..", "graphic of .."



Empty alt text

- It is okay to leave alt text empty (null)
 - Decorative images used for non-informative purpose

Do not skip the alt attribute though!



Long alt text

- Some images (especially infographics) may require elaborate alt text
- Consider replacing alt text with link to separate page with full explanation



Review

- Misuse of file extensions, filename, and file paths are often a problem
- For now, style the height/width in the html code.



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