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**CSS** 

# Thinking Inside The Box

- Imagine an invisible box around every HTML element
- CSS allows you to define how each box is presented

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## **Associating Style With an HTML Element**

- CSS works by associating rules with HTML elements
- Rule is constructed of
  - Selector for which element style should be used
  - Declaration how element should be styled

```
p {
font-family: Arial;}

DECLARATION
```

## **CSS Properties**

- Declaration
  - Property aspect of the element that should be changed
  - Value settings that should be used
- Using one rule for multiple elements

### **CSS Selectors**

- Applying a rule to a specific element (element targeting)
- Universal selector
   Applies to all elements in the document

Type selector
 Matches element names

```
h1, h2, h3 {
    color: □blue;
}
```

### **ID** and Class Selectors

- ID
  - Matches an element based on element id attribute value

```
...
```

```
#introduction {
    color: ■purple;
}
```

- Class
  - Matches an element based on element class attribute value

```
...
```

```
.note {
    background-color:  yellow;
}
p.note {
    background-color:  yellow;
}
```

# Using CSS on page

- Internal CSS
- External CSS

<style> element is used for "internal" (on-page) CSS

#### Main Title

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```
<html>
    <head>
        <title>Inline CSS Example</title>
        <style type="text/css">
            h1 {
                color: red:
            h2 {
                color: | blue;
        </style>
    </head>
    <body>
        <h1>Main Title</h1>
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        ...
    </body>
</html>
```

# Exercise

### External CSS

- CSS is located in a separate file
- •link> element is used for including CSS on page

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="main.css">
```

```
<!doctype html>
<html>
   <head>
       <title>Inline CSS Example</title>
       <link rel="stylesheet" href="main.css">
   </head>
   <body>
       <h1>Main Title</h1>
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       >
   </body>
</html>
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    color: red;
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### Child and Descendant Selectors

- Child
  - Matches an element that is a direct child of another

- Descendant
  - Matches an element that is a descendent of another specified element

# Exercises

## **Defining Rules Correctly**

• When there is multiple rules defined for the same element, which rule will be used?

- Last rule when both selectors are identical, last one will be used
- More **specific** if one is more specific than the other, the more specific one will be used
- Important rule property can be append with !important, and it will be treated as a property with higher priority

```
.note {
    color: □yellow !important;
}
```

### **CSS** Rules Inheritance

- Parent element property is propagated on child elements
- Force a child property to use a parent's property value (inherit)

#### **Potatoes**

There are dozens of different potatovarieties.

They are usually described as early, second early and maincrop potatoes.

```
body {
    font-family: Arial, Verdana, sans-serif;
    color: \( \pi \)#665544;
    padding: 10px;
}
.page {
    border: 1px solid \( \pi \)#665544;
    background-color: \( \pi \)#efefef;
    padding: inherit;
}
```

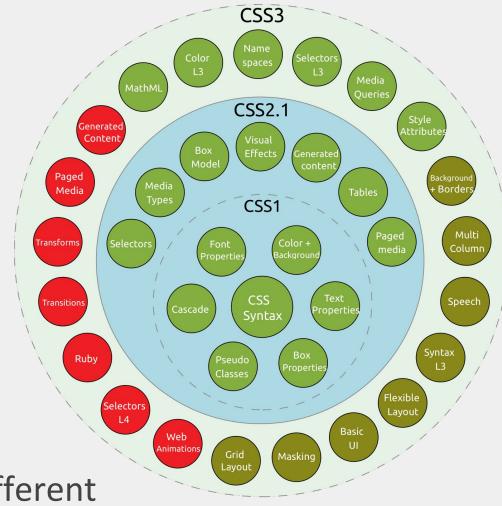
# Exercises

### **CSS** versions

- CSS1 released in 1996
- CSS2 released in 1998
- CSS3 currently in development

Browser support <a href="https://caniuse.com/">https://caniuse.com/</a>

- Browsers can show some styles slightly different
  - Check the website in different browsers
  - Use one of online services to see what the website looks like in different browsers



## Summary

- CSS treats each HTML element as if it appears inside its own box and uses rules to indicate how that element should look.
- Rules are made up of selectors and declarations.
- Different types of selectors allow you to target your rules at different elements.
- Declarations are made up of two parts: the properties of the element that you want to change, and the values of those properties.
- CSS rules usually appear in a separate document, although they may appear within an HTML page.

## References

CSS History - <a href="https://goo.gl/9eU6VA">https://goo.gl/9eU6VA</a>

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