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1. Your First Website

Required Tool: Text Editor (VS Code)

In the programming section, you learned about various HTML tags. In design section, you learned about what makes a good website. Lets do a little more!

Before you begin, please sign up for the Piazza page for this class here. Piazza is where you can ask and answer questions about this class and web design in general. It is also where a bunch of important annoucements about the class will be made!

Assignment

Note: Please review the lecture slides before you go through this assignment.

In this assignment, You will be creating your first website as well as answering some questions on design.

To start off, let's create a folder that will house all our files.

- 1. Create a folder (call it whatever you want).
- Now open up your code editor, create a new file and save it in that folder as index.html. By default, a web browser will always open the index.html file in a folder if there are multiple html files.
- Go back into that folder and create another folder called 'assets'. To keep files organized, we like to make a separate folder specifically for non-html content like images.
- Within the assets folder, create another folder called 'img' and go place your favorite selfie in that folder.

Now that your workspace is all set up, you are ready to start making your very first website.

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If you double click on the index.html file right now, it should open a blank page on your default browser (we recommend Google Chrome). When you make changes to your code, you can refresh that page to see the changes.

Now try doing the following steps. You'll notice that we encourage you to google things!

- 1. Write your name in huge, bold text. (Hint: look at the "Headings" slide [40])
- 2. On the next line, write your major and year in italic text. (Hint: "Bold and italic text" slide [38])
- 3. Add a paragraph about yourself. (Hint: "Text" slide [38])
- 4. Create a bulleted list of your three favorite places to eat in Berkeley. (Hint: "Lists" slide [42])
- 5. Add a picture of yourself so we can recognize you in class! (Hint: "Images" slide [43])
- 6. Add a link that, when clicked, directs you to the your favorite website. The text within the link should be the name of the website. (*Hint: "Links" slide [41]*)

Some common troubleshooting:

Images not showing up? Make sure that in the img tag, you match the image
name exactly, including capitalization. jpg and JPG are not the same! We
recommend keeping all image file names in lowercase for consistency. Make sure
image types are also matched: .png and .jpg are not the same!

If you are lost during this assignment, do not fret! Post to Piazza or come to office hours.

Your first website should look something like this:

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Oski

Chocolate Consumption Major | 3rd year

Hi! My name is Oski and I love to eat chocolate and walk around college athletic games! When I'm not serving as the the mascot for the #1 public university in the world, I like to hit the gym, watch Netflix, and learn web design at the web design decal. If you see me on campus, give me a high five!



The Boat

Part 2: Reading Responses

In this part of the assignment, you will be reading this article related to web design principles and responding to a few questions. The purpose of this section is to prompt design thinking and awareness -- we are a design course, after all.

Please answer the following questions and add your responses to your index.html using **a** list (Hint: 'ul' tag).

- 1. What is something you learned from this article? (2-3 sentences)
- 2. What was your favorite part of this article? (2-3 sentences)
- 3. Copy and paste a quote you found compelling, interesting, or cool.
- 4. On a scale from 1 to 10, how much did you enjoy reading this article? If you scored below a five, please briefly explain why.

Submission

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Submit the following files in a **zip** file through the Assignments tab of the WDD Portal:

- index.html
- assets/img/

To clarify: Your **zip** file should include your HTML file, in addition to a folder titled "assets", which should include a folder titled "img" containing your image.

Your assignment must be submitted as a **zip** file. Submission will automatically fail if your submission does not contain the index.html or if is not a zip file.

This assignment is due **Tuesday, September 15** at 7:00PM PST.