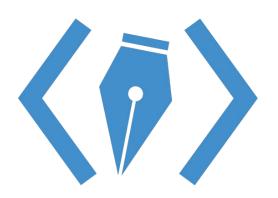
# Week 04 CSS Positioning and Centering



#### **Announcements**

#### Bianca, Kaitlyn, and Susan's lab section

Go to someone else's lab section this week!

#### Grading

Assignments are randomly assigned to staff. Please be patient!

#### Midterm Project

The project check-in (4 points) deadline is next week, Thursday, Oct 8th.

The overall project is due on Tuesday, Oct 20th.

Top projects will be selected to present in lab section on Thursday, Oct 22nd!

Submission (due 10/20): wdd.io/go/project-submit

Give us anonymous feedback at wdd.io/go/feedback

### **CSS Reminders**

You need metrics when defining number values!

```
p {
    font-size: 18px;
    width: 24px;
}
```

- Semicolon at the end of every line!!!
- For hover effects (no space between selector name and ":hover"):

```
a:hover {
    color: blue;
}
```

### moar CSS Reminders

```
<div class="big">
  <div class="container">
   <div class="a"></div>
   <div class="b"></div>
   <div class="c"></div>
 </div>
</div>
```

```
.big .container .a {
   . . .
/* same thing as above */
.a {
   . . .
```

## Before we begin, let's recall our HTML skeleton.

#### Berkeley Food Guide

Home

Restaurants

Coffee Shops

This site features food places in Berkeley that WDD students recommend!

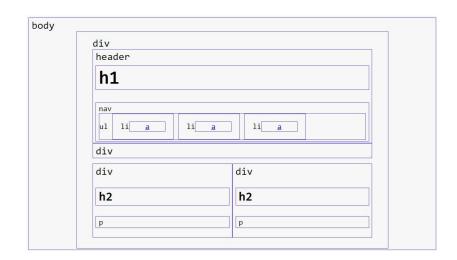
#### Restaurants

UC Berkeley has a large variety of restaurants nearby. Check out favorites on southside, northside, and downtown.

#### Coffee Shops

There are also several coffee shops and cafés that have outlets and free wifi, ideal for studying!

It's important to think of these divs as containers in parent-child hierarchies.



When we have content, we will position them relative to their containers.



BOLD

## Bonjour

**MEDIUM** 

### J'aime le fromage

LIGHT

Urnip greens yarrow ricebean rutabaga endive cauliflower sea lettuce kohlrabi amaranth water spinach avocado daikon napa cabbage asparagus winter purslane kale. Celery potato scallion desert raisin horseradish spinach carrot soko. Lotus root water spinach fennel kombu maize.

## The big deal about divs and boxes ... positioning.

## When we position things, we are disrupting the page's normal flow of elements.

## **Positioning**

#### none (default)

Position the element according to the normal flow.

#### relative

Position the element according to the normal flow, and then **offset relative to itself**. The offset doesn't affect the surrounding elements.

#### absolute

The element is **pulled out of the normal flow**, and positioned **relative to its closest positioned ancestor**.

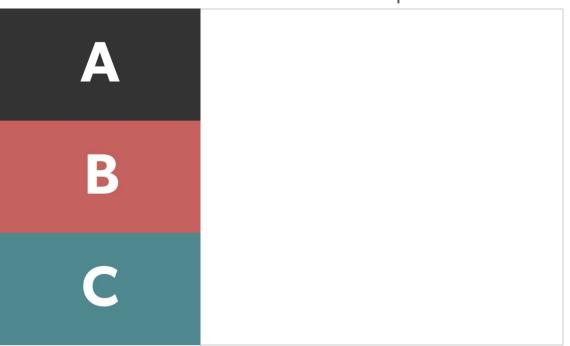
#### fixed

The element is **pulled out of the normal flow**, and positioned **relative to the window/viewport**.

## **Default Positioning**

#### parent <div> container

```
<div class="container">
  <div class="a"></div>
  <div class="b"></div>
  <div class="c"></div>
</div>
```

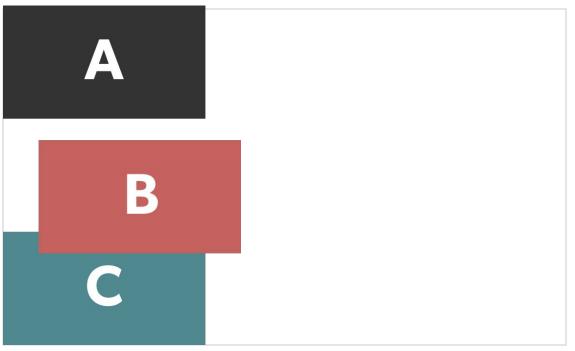


Position the element according to the normal flow, and then offset relative to itself.

The offset doesn't affect the surrounding elements.

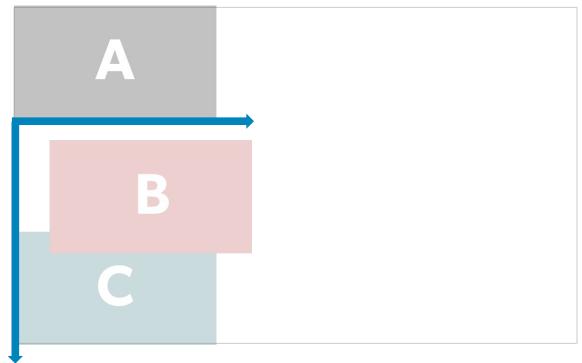
```
.a {
.b {
  position: relative;
  top: 20px;
  left: 30px;
```

#### <div> container



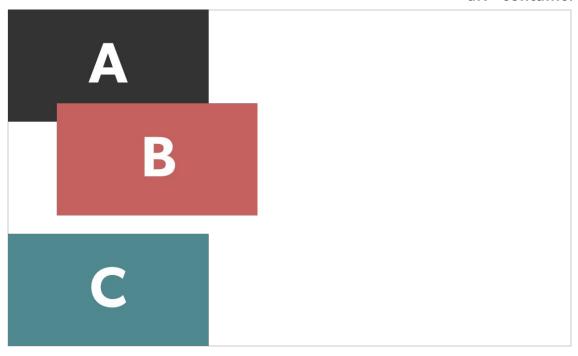
```
.a {
.b {
  position: relative;
  top: 20px;
  left: 20px;
```

#### <div> container



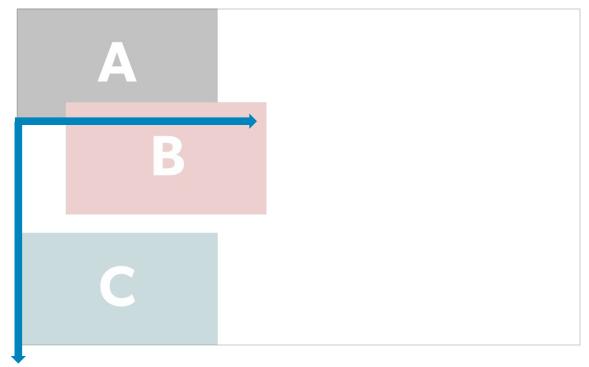
```
.a {
.b {
  position: relative;
  left: 50px;
  bottom: 20px;
```

#### <div> container



```
.a {
.b {
  position: relative;
  left: 50px;
  bottom: 20px;
```

#### <div> container



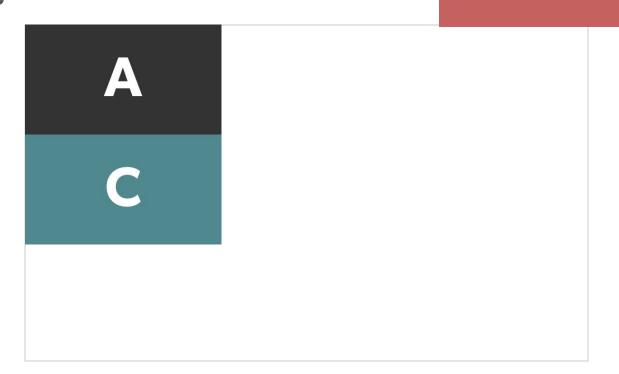
## position: absolute

The element is pulled out of the normal flow.

It is positioned relative to its closest relatively positioned ancestor.

## position: absolute

```
.container {
  position: absolute;
  right: 0px;
  top: 0px;
.a, .c {
```



## What happened? Why did things seem to break and go out of our container?

We don't have <div class="container"> positioned!

When we have content, we will position them relative to their containers.



## position: absolute

```
.container {
  position: relative;
.b {
  position: absolute;
  right: 0px;
  top: 0px;
```

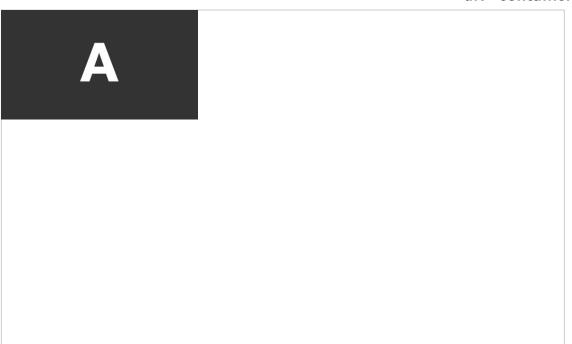
```
<div> container
```

## What if you wanted to put things on top of each other?

## Layering on top of each other

<div> container

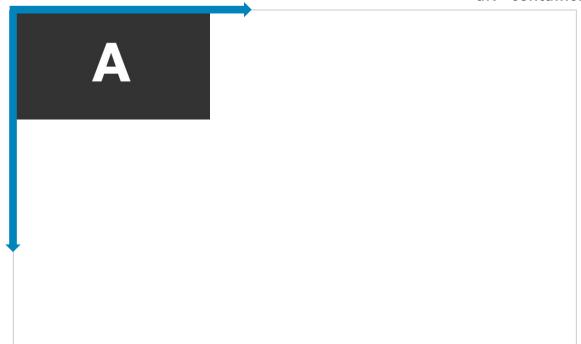
```
.container {
  position: relative;
.a,.b,.c {
  position: absolute;
```



## Layering on top of each other

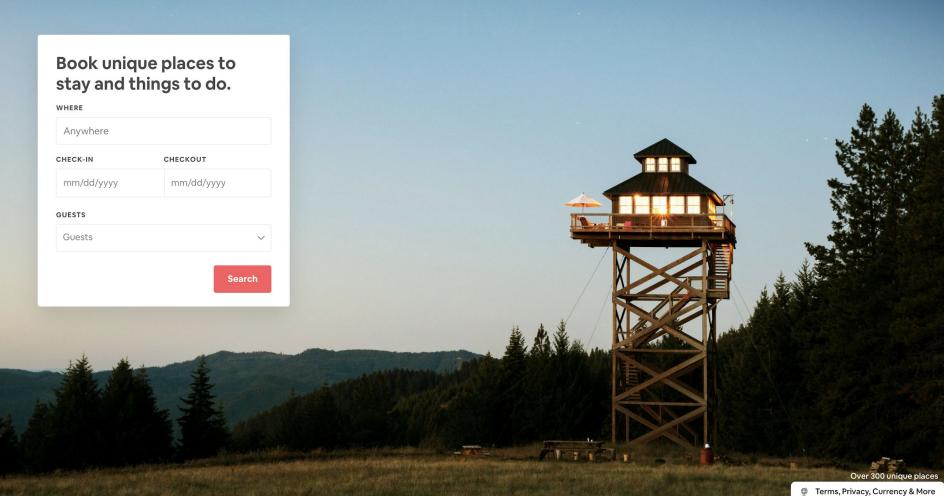
```
<div> container
```

```
.container {
  position: relative;
.a,.b,.c {
  position: absolute;
```



## Think of relatively positioned ancestors as the origin point for absolute positioning.







## Book unique places to stay and things to do.

WHERE	
Anywhere	
CHECK-IN	СНЕСКОИТ
mm/dd/yyyy	mm/dd/yyyy
GUESTS	
Guests	~
	Search

this is your relatively positioned container

## Book unique places to stay and things to do. WHERE CHECK-IN GUESTS

use absolute positioning to put signup form here

position: fixed

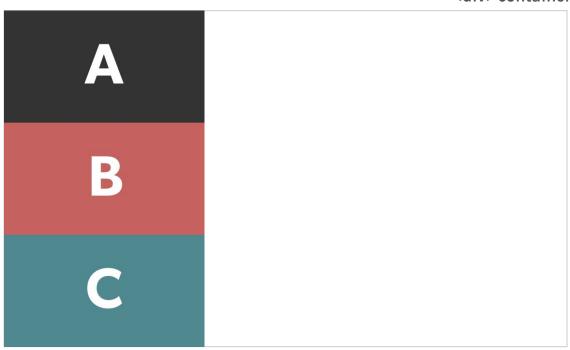
The element is pulled out of the normal flow.

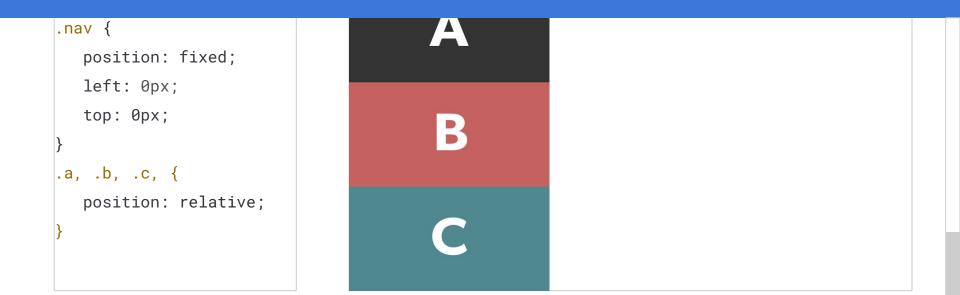
It is positioned relative to the window/viewport.

## position: fixed

```
<div> container
```

```
.nav {
  position: fixed;
  left: 0px;
  top: 0px;
.a, .b, .c, {
  position: relative;
```



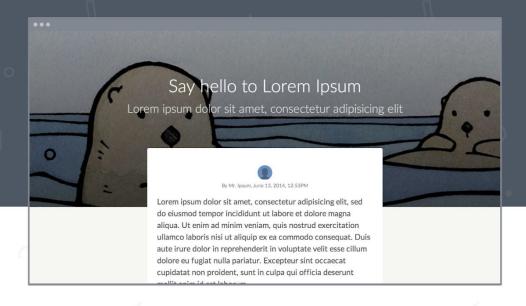


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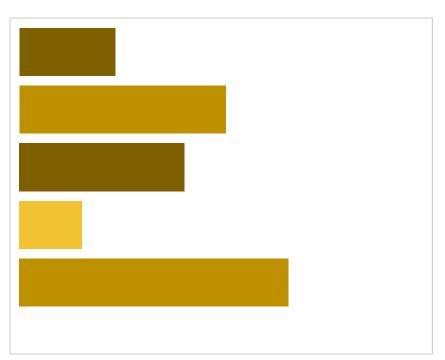


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## Centering

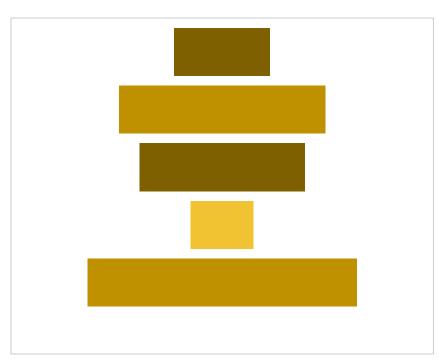
## Horizontally center block elements

```
.potato {
}
```



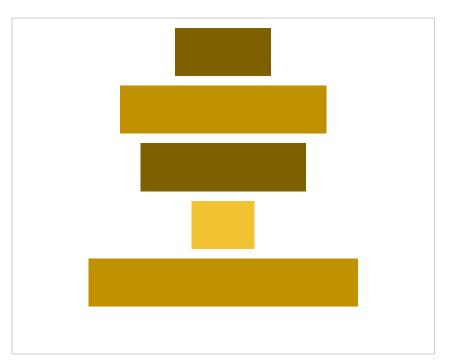
## Horizontally center block elements

```
.potato {
   margin-right: auto;
   margin-left: auto;
}
```



## Horizontally center block elements

```
.potato {
   margin: 0 auto;
}
```



## Vertically center block elements w/ absolute position

```
#big-potato {
   width: 100px;
   height: 50px;
```

## Vertically center block elements w/ absolute position

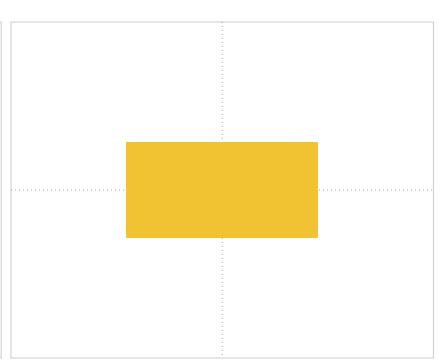
```
#big-potato {
   position: absolute;
   top: 50%;
```

```
#big-potato {
   position: absolute;
   top: 50%;
   transform: translateY(-50%);
```

## We can center-center things too

### Center block elements

```
#big-potato {
   position: absolute;
   top: 50%;
   left: 50%;
   transform: translate(-50%, -50%);
```

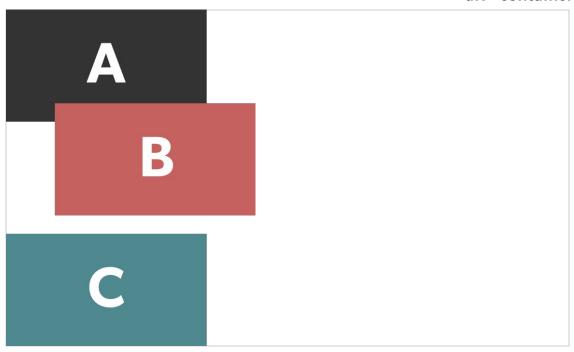


## Miscellaneous

### z-index

```
<div> container
```

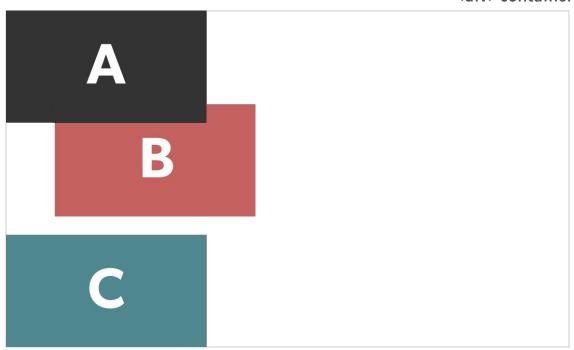
```
.a {
.b {
  position: relative;
  left: 50px;
  bottom: 20px;
```



### z-index

#### <div> container

```
.a {
  z-index: 1;
.b {
  position: relative;
  left: 50px;
  bottom: 20px;
  /* default */
  z-index: 0;
```





## Questions?