# Basics of Web Design HTML Basics

#### Learning Outcomes

- Describe the anatomy of a web page
- Format the body of a web page with block-level elements including headings, paragraphs, lists, and blockquotes
- Configure the text on a web page with inline elements
- Configure text with phrase elements
- Configure special entity characters, line breaks, and horizontal rules
- Configure a web page using header, nav, main, and footer elements
- Use the section, aside, and article elements
- Use the anchor element to link from page to page
- Configure absolute, relative, and e-mail hyperlinks
- Test a web page for valid HTML syntax

#### The Heading Element

```
<h1>Heading Level 1</h1>
```

<h2>Heading Level 2</h2>

<h3>Heading Level 3</h3>

<h4>Heading Level 4</h4>

<h5>Heading Level 5</h5>

<h6>Heading Level 6</h6>

### **Heading Level 1**

**Heading Level 2** 

**Heading Level 3** 

Heading Level 4

Heading Level 5

Heading Level 6

## The Paragraph Element tag

Paragraph element

```
...paragraph goes here...
```

- Groups sentences and sections of text together.
- Configures empty space above and below the paragraph

## The Line Break Element <br/> <br/> tag

- Line Break element
  - Stand-alone tag
  - Called a void element in HTML5

...text goes here <br/>
This starts on a new line....

Causes the next element or text to display on a new line

## The Horizontal Rule Element <a href="https://example.com/hr/">hr> tag</a>

- ► Horizontal Rule element
  - void element

<hr>>

- Configures a horizontal line on the page
- In HTML5, it should be used to indicate a thematic break at the paragraph level

## The Blockquote Element <br/> <blockquote>

- Blockquote element
  - ▶ Indents a block of text for special emphasis

```
<br/><blockquote><br/>...text goes here...<br/></blockquote>
```

#### Phrase Elements

- Indicate the context and meaning of the text
- Display inline with the text
- Common Phrase Elements
  - **>** <b></b>

Text is displayed in bold font

- **i><i>>**Text is displayed in italic font
- <em></em>

Text has emphasis and is displayed in italic font

#### **Proper Nesting**

#### CODE:

<i>Call for a free quote for your web development needs:

<strong>888.555.5555 </strong></i>

#### **BROWSER DISPLAY:**

Call for a free quote for your web development needs: 888.555.5555

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#### **HTML List Basics**

- Unordered List
- Description List
- Ordered List

#### **Unordered List**

- Displays information with bullet points
- Unordered List Element



Contains the unordered list

List Item Element



Contains an item in the list

#### Unordered List Example

```
<h1>My Favorite Colors</h1>

li>Blue
Teal
Read
```

### My Favorite Colors

- Blue
- Teal
- Red

#### Ordered List

- Conveys information in an ordered fashion
- Ordered List Element
  - <0l>

Contains the ordered list

- type attribute determines numbering scheme of list
- default is numerals
- ► List Item Element
  - <|i>

Contains an item in the list

### Ordered List Example

```
  Apply to school
  Register for course
  Pay tuition
  Attend course
```

- 1. Apply to school
- 2. Register for course
- 3. Pay tuition
- 4. Attend course

#### **Description List**

- Uses:
  - Display a list of terms and descriptions
  - Display a list of FAQ and answers
- The Description List element <dl><br/>Contains the description list
- The dt Element
  <dt>
  Contains a term or name
- The dd Element
  <dd><dd><</p>
  Contains a definition or description Indents the text

#### Description List Example

```
<dl>
 <dt>IP</dt>
    <dd>Internet Protocol</dd>
  <dt>TCP</dt>
     <dd>Transmission Control Protocol</dd>
</dl>
                    IP
                        Internet Protocol
```

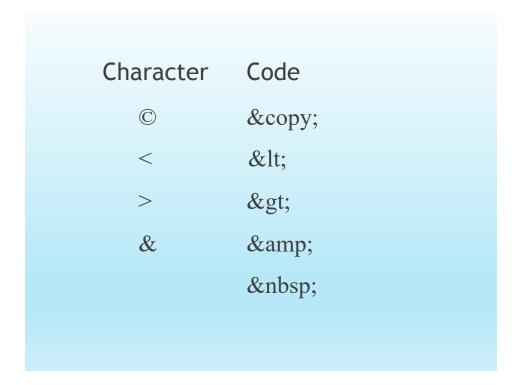
TCP

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Transmission Control Protocol

### **Special Entity Characters**

Display special characters such as quotes, copyright symbol, etc.



### The div element <div>

- Purpose:
  - Configure a specially formatted division or area of a web page

Block display with empty space above and below the div

Can contain other block display and inline display elements

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#### Structural Elements

► Header Element

<header></header>
Contains the headings

Nav Element

<nav></nav>
Contains the main navigation

► Main Element

<main></main>
Contains the main content

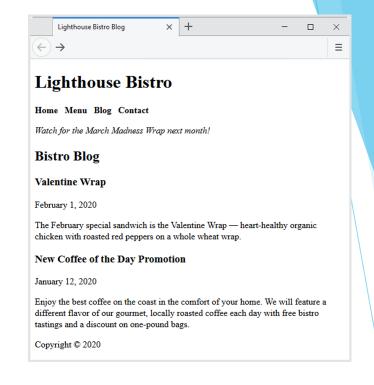
► Footer Element

<footer></footer>
Contains the footer

header
nav
main
footer

## More Structural Elements

- Section Element
  - indicates a portion or "section" of a document, like a chapter or topic
- Article Element
  - indicates an independent entry, like a blog posting, that can stand on its own
- Aside Element
  - indicates a sidebar or other tangential content
- ► Time Element
  - represents a date or time



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#### HTML5 Structural Elements

#### Example:

<body>

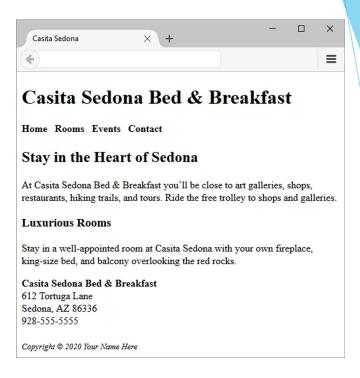
<header> document headings go here </header>

<nav> main navigation goes here </nav>

<main> main content goes here </main>

<footer> document footer information goes here </footer>

</body>



#### The a element



#### Also referred to as the anchor element

- Inline display element
  - Specifies a hyperlink reference (href) to a file
  - ► Text between the <a> and </a> is displayed on the web page

<a href="contact.html">Contact Us</a>

#### href Attribute

Indicates the file name or URL
Web page document, photo, pdf, etc.

#### More on Hyperlinks

- Absolute link
  - Link to other websites
- <a href="http://yahoo.com">Yahoo</a>
- Relative link
  - Link to pages on your own site
  - Relative to the current page
- <a href="index.html">Home</a>

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### Opening a Link in a New Browser Window

The target attribute on the anchor element opens a link in a new browser window or new browser tab.

```
<a href="http://yahoo.com" target="_blank">Yahoo!</a>
```

### **Email Hyperlinks**

- Automatically launch the default mail program configured for the browser
- If no browser default is configured, a dialog box is displayed

<a href="mailto:me@terrymorris.net">me@terrymorris.net</a>

### Writing Valid HTML

- Check your code for syntax errors
  - **Benefit:** 
    - Valid code → more consistent browser display
- ► W3C HTML Validation Tool
  - ► http://validator.w3.org
  - http://validator.w3.org/nu
- Additional HTML5 Validation Tool
  - http://html5.validator.nu

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#### Summary

► This chapter provided an introduction to HTML.

HTML elements used for inline and block display formatting were introduced.

> You will use these skills over and over again as you create web pages.