

# How to Get the Most Out of This Course

It is my duty to introduce you the ins and outs of CSS in this course. Just before we get into that, this is how to make the most out of this course.

A lot of people (smarter than I am) have carried out research on learning. Learning itself is an interesting and intricate concept to and I'm not going to bore you with the details of that.

However, my philosophy for learning is that you must build strong mental models when learning anything new.

While at it, do NOT try to send a rocket to mars. Just build small things along the way.

Learn the basics. Build small things. Build upon that, and build more small things. Rinse, repeat, and then send a rocket to mars!

It is a painful process. Largely because you need to be patient while at it.

Trust me, it works.

## Ooops, I dont Like that.

If for some reason you do not like my process, feel free to do what works for you. Just make sure it is based on some sort of deliberate practice.

When was the last time you saw a *“build a twitter app”* video on youtube? Chances are, after you saw this video you thought you understood the concepts, until you were left with a blank screen - all alone.

The point I'm trying hard to make is, in the lessons that follow, I will insisit that you solve the exercises associated with each lesson.

Solve the exercises, do the challenges, read my solution, and focus on understanding the small things.

## Modelling the Real World

Online references are such an integral part of how we work these days. Even after learning or practicing a ton of stuff, you are likely to forget a few things or find the need to look up something.

When this happens, don't feel alone.

We all look up stuff. I do too.

So, as we progress through this course, mostly through the exercises, if you get stuck, here are some resources to begin to get yourself acquainted with.

(i) [The Codrops CSS Reference](#)

(ii) [The Mozilla Developer Network CSS Reference](#)

I try to explain things really well, but it is still important to let you know about these tools here.

You'll find them invaluable as you begin to work more with CSS.

Good luck, friend!

**From the ant i learned that a small beginning isn't what it seems to be... rather it is disguised success**

With that said, let's move on!