Quotes

In this lesson, we'll learn how to add various kinds of quotes in HTML.

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> - Listing 5-3: Using quotes

In documents, especially in publications, we often use and quote external sources. In HTML two tags, `<q>` and `<blockquote>` can be used to mark these citations.

In Chapter 3 (Rendering Text), you tangentially learned about the `<q>` tag, as a way of formatting text.

To be more precise, `<q>` is a simpler text formatting tag, as it adds a special semantic to its content: this is a quotation that comes from another source.

While `<q>` is an inline tag, `<blockquote>` defines a block (section) of citation. Both elements have a cite attribute that specifies the URL pointing to the source of the quotation.

Listing 5-3 shows a short example of these tags.

Listing 5-3: Using quotes

```html
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Using Quotes</title>
  <style>
    body {
      font-family: Verdana, Arial, sans-serif
    }

    q {
      font-style: italic;
    }

    blockquote {
```
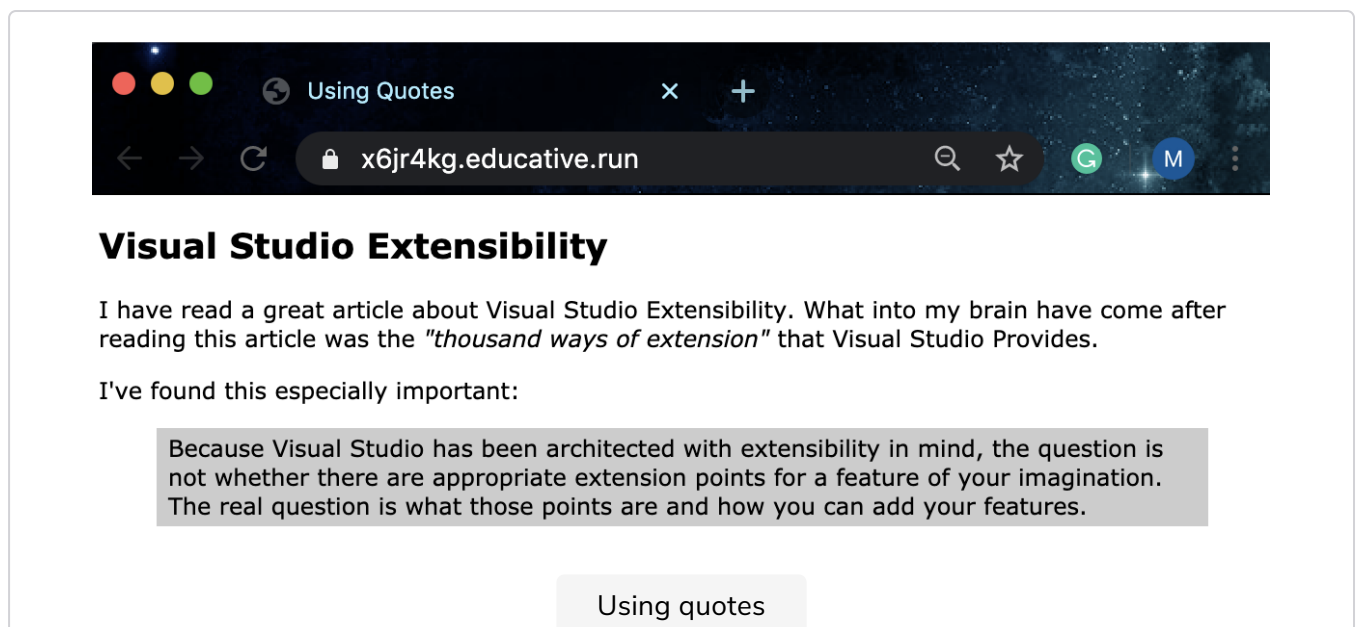
```
blockquote {
    background-color: #cccccc;
    padding: 4px 8px;
  }
  </style>
</head>
<body>
  <h2>Visual Studio Extensibility</h2>
  <p>
    I have read a great article about
    Visual Studio Extensibility. What into
    my brain have come after reading this
    article was the
    <q cite="http://magazine.com/Article.html">thousand
      ways of extension</q>
    that Visual Studio Provides.
  </p>
  <p>I've found this especially important:</p>
  <blockquote cite="http://magazine.com/Article.html">
    Because Visual Studio has been architected
    with extensibility in mind, the question
    is not whether there are appropriate
    extension points for a feature of your imagination.
    The real question is what those points are and
    how you can add your features.
  </blockquote>
</body>
</html>
```

From this listing, you can see that I've added a few style rules to give the quotations more emphasis. The image below shows how this page is rendered.

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The `<q>` tags have been set to display in italics, while `<blockquote>` has a light shade. Observe, I have not used quotation marks around the text enclosed between `<q>` tags, the browser automatically rendered them.

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See you there! :)