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Content

- ▶ Creating Basic Documents
- ▶ Use HTML to structure a basic Web page by manipulating text and graphics

Overview

- ▶ Hypertext Markup Language (HTML) is the foundation of all Web documents, or pages.
- ▶ This module will teach you the basic elements and architecture of a web page and how HTML brings it together.
- ▶ You will learn to identify tags, view code, create hierarchies, format text and pages, and use styles and style sheets.



Introduction

- ▶ It is important to know the elements involved with building Web pages. Upon completion of this lesson, you will be able to:
 - Summarize Web page creation
 - List the elements of HTML
 - Identify HTML tags
 - View and evaluate HTML code in a page

Basics

- ▶ The pages created with HTML are plain text.
- ▶ You can create, edit, or view the HTML code for a Web page in any text editor, such as Windows Notepad, on any computer platform.

Code:

- Create
- Edit
- View
- Any platform



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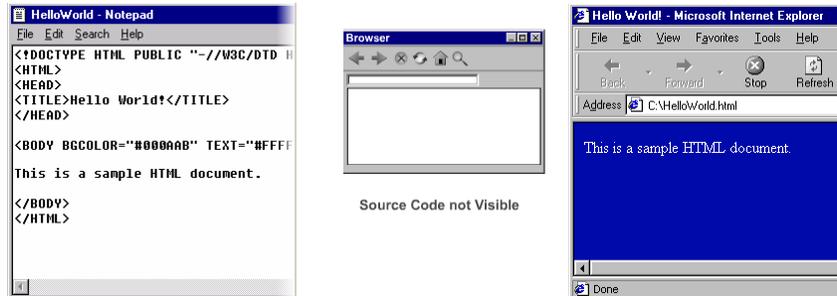
Web-Authoring Tools

- ▶ Although creating simple Web pages in a text editor is easy, it can become a tedious task.
- ▶ Web-authoring tools, such as Microsoft FrontPage Express and Macromedia Dreamweaver, allow you to create HTML Web pages in the same way word documents are created.



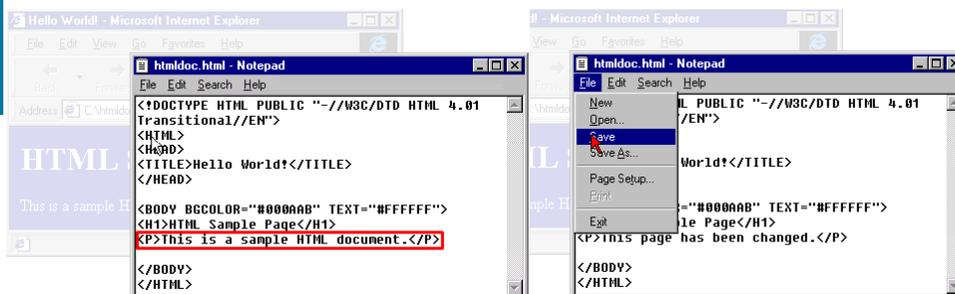
Browsers

- ▶ When a Web page is open in a browser, the HTML code that creates the page is not visible.
- ▶ Instead, the browser interprets the HTML code and displays the page appropriately on the screen.



Edit Views

- ▶ If you are creating a Web page in a text editor and want to view the file, save your work and open the file in the browser.
- ▶ You can then continue to edit, save your work, and view the results, switching between the text editor and the browser to see the effects of the edits.



Browser Limitations

- ▶ The original intent of the HTML specification was to allow Web authors to describe the structure of a page without spending time on the look of a page.
- ▶ Traditionally, each browser had its own way of interpreting the look of the page, and the page created would appear differently on different browsers.



Accurate Page Descriptions

- ▶ HTML can now describe the look of a page accurately.
- ▶ More and more descriptive elements are being established in the HTML specification, such as font styles, sizes, colors, and style sheets that can maintain a consistent look throughout a Web site.



Text Limitations

- ▶ An author can specify a paragraph of text be defined as one of the six heading levels, but the HTML heading code cannot describe what a heading should look like.
- ▶ The Web browser must differentiate each type of heading from the others.



View Testing

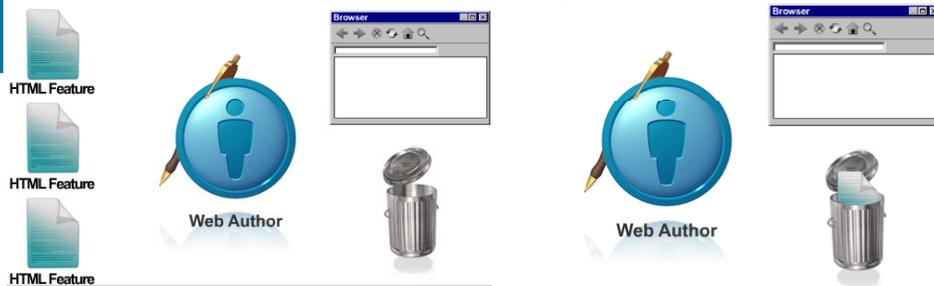
- ▶ When a browser differentiates a non-specific message, one browser might display the first-level heading in a large font centered on the page, while another browser might display it in italics and left-aligned on the page.
- ▶ As a result, authors test pages in several of the more popular browsers.



Standard Views

- ▶ The browser market has been consolidating and standardizing to eliminate interpretation problems.
- ▶ There are few differences in the ways competing browsers display the widely accepted HTML features in a page.
- ▶ However, new HTML features become available all the time, and Web authors must decide whether to include a new feature in a page when that feature may not be well interpreted by some browsers.

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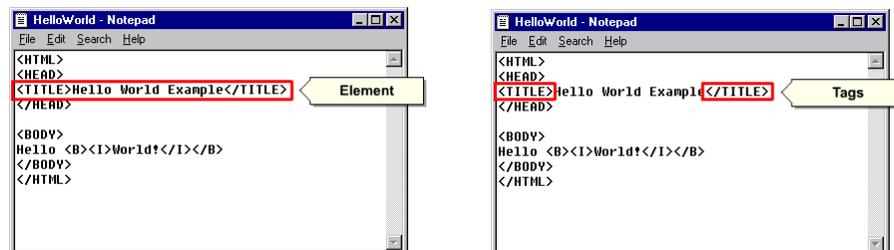
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Elements

- ▶ A Web page consists of elements, each of which is defined by an HTML code, or tag.

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Tag Architecture

- ▶ A tag is always enclosed in angle brackets, and most tags come in pairs, with an opening and a closing tag.
- ▶ The closing tag is the same as the opening tag, but starts with a forward slash.
- ▶ For example, to define text as a first-level heading in HTML, use the `<H1>` tag, as shown.

A light blue square box containing the text `<H1>`.

Opening Tag

A light blue square box containing the text `</H1>`.

Closing Tag

`<H1> This is a main heading </H1>`

Browsers

- ▶ A browser interprets tags and displays the text within the tags appropriately.
- ▶ The tags themselves are not displayed within a browser unless there is a problem with a tag such as if one of the angle brackets was mistakenly left out.
- ▶ Most browsers will ignore any codes within angle brackets that they do not recognize.

Attributes

- ▶ Some tags have optional or required attributes. An attribute is usually a keyword that takes one of several possible values.
- ▶ A value is defined by enclosing it in quotes.
- ▶ For example, the heading tag can take an optional alignment attribute.

Uppercase or Lowercase

- ▶ You can create a tag in either uppercase or lowercase.
- ▶ For example, the two tags `<H1>` and `<h1>` are equivalent to a browser.

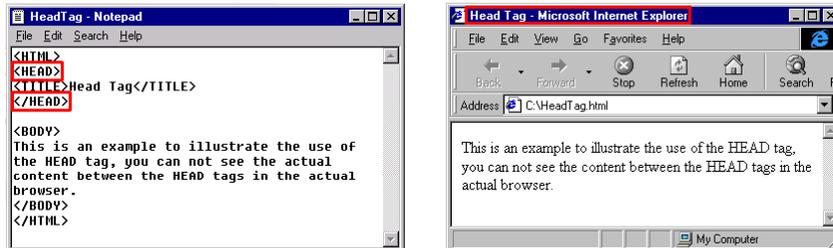
HTML tag

- ▶ The <HTML> tag declares that the text that follows defines an HTML Web page that can be viewed in a Web browser.
- ▶ The closing </HTML> tag ends the page.



HEAD tag

- ▶ The <HEAD> tag defines the header area of a page, which is not displayed within the page itself in the browser.
- ▶ The closing </HEAD> tag ends the header area.



TITLE tag

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- ▶ Title TagThe text between <TITLE> and the closing </TITLE> tag is the title of the Web page and is displayed in the title bar of a browser.
- ▶ The title should be descriptive; as it is frequently used by Web indexing and searching programs to name the Web page.
- ▶ In Internet Explorer, a page title is the default name used when you save the page as a favorite location.

BODY tag

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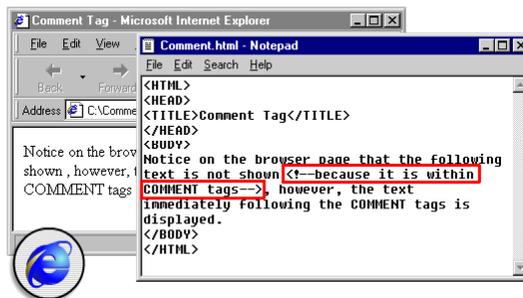
- ▶ The <BODY> tag delineates the actual content of the Web page that will be displayed in the browser.
- ▶ There are several optional attributes for this tag.
- ▶ One of them is BACKGROUND, with which you can specify a background graphical image for the page.

Paragraph tag

- ▶ Use the paragraph tag (<P>) to mark the beginning of a new paragraph; the ending tag, </P>, is optional but should be included for clarity during revisions.
- ▶ You can include the ALIGN attribute to specify whether the paragraph should be centered or right-aligned in the page.

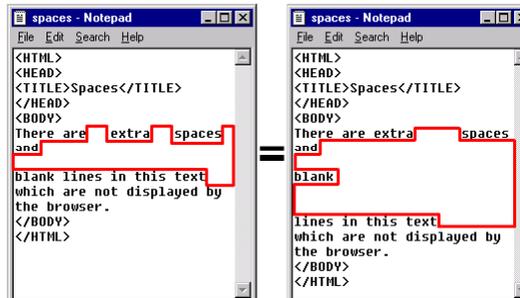
Comment tag

- ▶ The Comment tag is not revealed in the browser, but will be advantageous when editing or viewing the HTML code for a page.
- ▶ In Internet Explorer, use the <!--> tag to create descriptive comments within the code, which will be ignored by the browser.
- ▶ With other browsers, you can use the combination of symbols to create a comment.



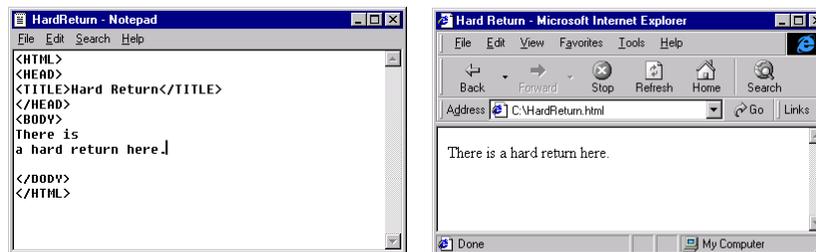
Spaces

- ▶ You can include extra spaces and blank lines in HTML code to make the code easier to read and interpret.
- ▶ When a browser opens a Web page, it ignores multiple spaces within the code and displays them as a single space.



Hard Return

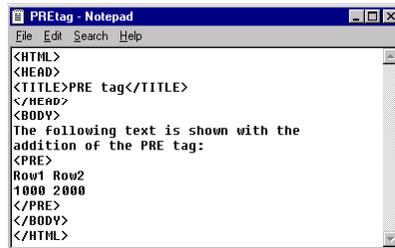
- ▶ HTML code ignores all hard returns within the code: for example, an Enter at the end of a text line you are editing in Notepad will not be displayed in the user's browser.



Hard Return not Displayed

Preformatted tag

- ▶ In the preformatted tag `<PRE>`, spaces and hard returns in the HTML code do display.
- ▶ It instructs a browser to display the text in a mono-spaced font that allows you to align text precisely, such as you would when showing a program listing.



```

<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>PRE tag</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY>
The following text is shown with the
addition of the PRE tag:
<PRE>
Row1 Row2
1000 2000
</PRE>
</BODY>
</HTML>

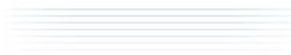
```



Information

- ▶ For additional documentation on tags used in HTML <http://werbach.com/barebones/barebones.html>

INFORMATION LINK

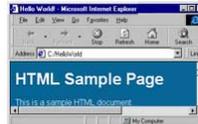


Underlying Code

- ▶ Most Web pages are built from the same text-based HTML language, so when viewing an interesting page in a browser, take a look at the underlying code.



View if Possible



Save as View

- ▶ To view a page's code, click **View > Source** in Internet Explorer or **View > Page Source** in Navigator to display the current page's HTML code within Notepad.



Evolving Language

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- ▶ HTML is constantly evolving.
- ▶ Web authors may include new and improved tags within Web pages to produce new effects.
- ▶ But browser software may not recognize those HTML features.
- ▶ W3C at the MIT defines and establishes new versions of HTML to help with this problem.
- ▶ Unofficially, leaders such as Microsoft and Netscape, regularly invent their own extensions to official HTML which eventually may be included in the official HTML specification.

Structuring Web Pages

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- ▶ When developing a Web page, you must determine a structure for your text and images using HTML that best suites your organization.
- ▶ Upon completion of this lesson, you will be able to:
 - Add structure
 - Divide sections
 - Create hierarchies
 - Format text and pages
 - Use styles and style sheets

Adding Structure

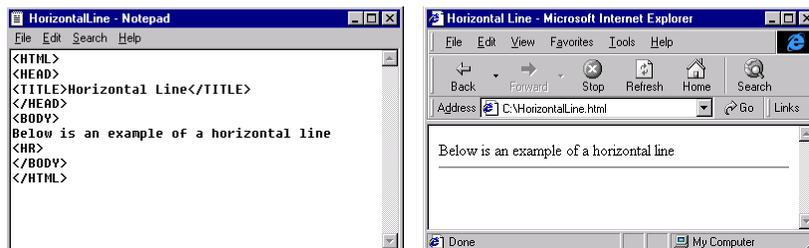
- ▶ Adding structure will benefit any Web page you create.
- ▶ To add basic structure to a page, add paragraphs and spaces to text.
- ▶ To create a paragraph, enclose text within the paragraph tags (<P> and </P>).
- ▶ Your browser will insert some extra space between paragraphs, so in some instances, you will not want to use the <P> tag.

Line Break tag

- ▶ You may not want extra space between each line of the address.
- ▶ To avoid this, use the line-break tag,
.
- ▶ This break tells the browser to wrap the text that follows onto a new line without inserting any extra space between the lines.

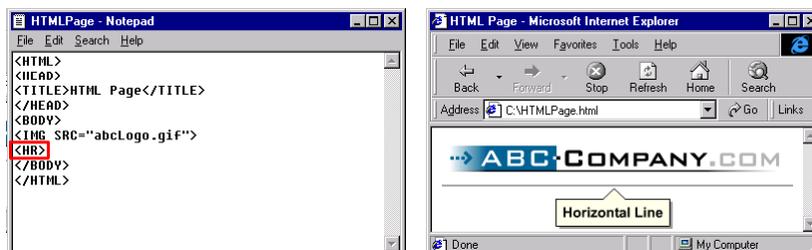
Section Divisions

- ▶ A simple and effective way to separate sections within a Web page is to insert a horizontal line, which is also called a horizontal rule.
- ▶ By default, the line stretches from one side of the page to the other.



Structure Separations

- ▶ If your page has a banner across the top with a company name, you can insert a horizontal line beneath it.
- ▶ This separates it from the table of contents showing links to pages, beneath which you can insert another line, followed by the main body of the page.
- ▶ At the bottom of the page, you can have another line that shows important page identifiers.



HR tag

- ▶ The <HR> tag takes several optional attributes. For example, you can specify the line's thickness and how much of the browser's window it should span (as a percentage or in pixels).
- ▶ The line thickness default is one or two pixels in most browsers.

```

SampleDoc - Notepad
File Edit Search Help
<HTML>
<HEAD>
<TITLE>SampleDoc</TITLE>
</HEAD>
<BODY BGCOLOR="#0000AB" TEXT="#FFFFFF">
<H1>HTML Sample Page</H1>
This is a sample HTML document.
<HR size=6 width=60%>
</BODY>
</HTML>
  
```



Creating Headings

- ▶ A common way to add structure to a Web page is through the use of headings.
- ▶ A Web page can have a maximum of six levels of headings, the HTML codes for which are conveniently named <H1>, <H2>, <H3>, etc.
- ▶ No style is inherent in the headings — different Web browsers might interpret the look of a heading in slightly different ways.
- ▶ Structurally, however, all browsers will display headings so low-level headings look subordinate to a higher-level heading.

Heading Formats

- ▶ In a browser, a first-level heading is displayed in a larger, bolder font than a lower-level heading.
- ▶ You can use HTML headings in any order, but it is recommended to use them in an outline format.
- ▶ The first-level heading, <H1>, is the highest level, and the sixth level, <H6>, is the lowest or most subordinate.



Paragraphs

- ▶ Paragraphs are defined with the <p> tag.


```
<p>This is a paragraph</p>
```

```
<p>This is another paragraph</p>
```
- ▶ HTML automatically adds an extra blank line before and after a paragraph.

Line Breaks

- ▶ The `
` tag is used when you want to end a line, but don't want to start a new paragraph.
- ▶ The `
` tag forces a line break wherever you place it.
`<p>This
 is a para
graph with
line breaks</p>`
- ▶ The `
` tag is an empty tag.
- ▶ It has no closing tag.

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Comments in HTML

- ▶ The comment tag is used to insert a comment in the HTML source code. A comment will be ignored by the browser. You can use comments to explain your code, which can help you when you edit the source code at a later date.
`<!-- This is a comment -->`
- ▶ Note that you need an exclamation point after the opening bracket, but not before the closing bracket.

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Text Formatting Tags

Tag	Description
	Defines bold text
<big>	Defines big text
	Defines emphasized text
<i>	Defines italic text
<small>	Defines small text
	Defines strong text
<sub>	Defines subscripted text
<sup>	Defines superscripted text
<ins>	Defines inserted text
	Defines deleted text
<s>	Deprecated. Use instead
<strike>	Deprecated. Use instead
<u>	Deprecated. Use styles instead

"Computer Output" Tags

Tag	Description
<code>	Defines computer code text
<kbd>	Defines keyboard text
<samp>	Defines sample computer code
<tt>	Defines teletype text
<var>	Defines a variable
<pre>	Defines preformatted text
<listing>	Deprecated. Use <pre> instead
<plaintext>	Deprecated. Use <pre> instead
<xmp>	Deprecated. Use <pre> instead

Citations, Quotations, and Definition Tags

Tag	Description
<code><abbr></code>	Defines an abbreviation
<code><acronym></code>	Defines an acronym
<code><address></code>	Defines an address element
<code><bdo></code>	Defines the text direction
<code><blockquote></code>	Defines a long quotation
<code><q></code>	Defines a short quotation
<code><cite></code>	Defines a citation
<code><dfn></code>	Defines a definition term

Character Entities

- ▶ Some characters have a special meaning in HTML, like the less than sign (<) that defines the start of an HTML tag.
- ▶ If we want the browser to actually display these characters we must insert character entities in the HTML source.
- ▶ A character entity has three parts: an ampersand (&), an entity name or a # and an entity number, and finally a semicolon (;).
- ▶ To display a less than sign in an HTML document we must write: **<** or **<**
- ▶ The advantage of using a name instead of a number is that a name is easier to remember.
- ▶ The disadvantage is that not all browsers support the newest entity names, while the support for entity numbers is very good in almost all browsers.

Non-breaking Space

- ▶ The most common character entity in HTML is the non-breaking space.
- ▶ Normally HTML will truncate spaces in your text.
- ▶ If you write 10 spaces in your text, HTML will remove 9 of them.
- ▶ To add spaces to your text, use the ** ** character entity.

The Most Common Character Entities:

Result	Description	Entity Name	Entity Number
	non-breaking space	 	
<	less than	<	<
>	greater than	>	>
&	ampersand	&	&
"	quotation mark	"	"
'	apostrophe	'	'

Some Other Commonly Used Character Entities

Result	Description	Entity Name	Entity Number
¢	cent	¢	¢
£	pound	£	£
¥	yen	¥	¥
§	section	§	§
©	copyright	©	©
®	registered trademark	®	®
×	multiplication	×	×
÷	division	÷	÷

The Anchor Tag and the *href* Attribute

- ▶ HTML uses the <a> (anchor) tag to create a link to another document.
- ▶ An anchor can point to any resource on the Web: an HTML page, an image, a sound file, a movie, etc.
- ▶ The syntax of creating an anchor:


```
<a href="url">Text to be displayed</a>
```
- ▶ The <a> tag is used to create an anchor to link from, the href attribute is used to address the document to link to, and the words between the open and close of the anchor tag will be displayed as a hyperlink.

The Target Attribute

- ▶ With the target attribute, you can define where the linked document will be opened.
- ▶ The line below will open the document in a new browser window:

```
<a href="http://www.itu.edu.tr" target="_blank">
  Visit ITU!
</a>
```

The Anchor Tag and the Name Attribute

- ▶ The name attribute is used to create a named anchor. When using named anchors we can create links that can jump directly into a specific section on a page, instead of letting the user scroll around to find what he/she is looking for.
- ▶ Below is the syntax of a named anchor:

```
<a name="label">Text to be displayed</a>
```
- ▶ The name attribute is used to create a named anchor. The name of the anchor can be any text you care to use.
- ▶ The line below defines a named anchor:

```
<a name="tips">Useful Tips Section</a>
```

The Anchor Tag and the Name Attribute

▶ You should notice that a named anchor is not displayed in a special way.

▶ To link directly to the "tips" section, add a # sign and the name of the anchor to the end of a URL, like this:

```
<a href="http://www.itu.edu.tr/index.html#kayit">  
Kayıtla İlgili Bilgiler  
</a>
```

▶ A hyperlink to the Useful Tips Section from WITHIN the file "index.htm" will look like this:

```
<a href="#tips">Jump to the Useful Tips Section</a>
```

Frames

▶ With frames, you can display more than one HTML document in the same browser window.

▶ Each HTML document is called a frame, and each frame is independent of the others.

▶ The disadvantages of using frames are:

- The web developer must keep track of more HTML documents
- It is difficult to print the entire page

The Frameset Tag

- ▶ The **<frameset>** tag defines how to divide the window into frames
- ▶ Each frameset defines a set of rows or columns
- ▶ The values of the rows/columns indicate the amount of screen area each row/column will occupy

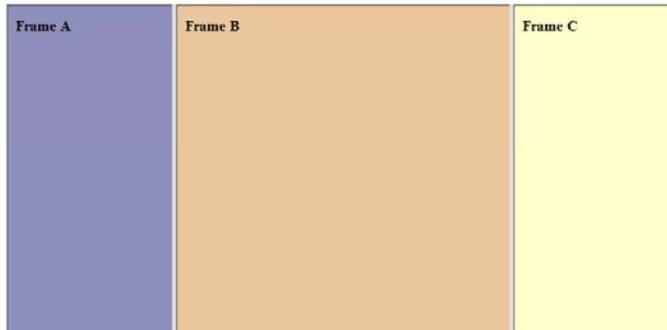
The Frameset Tag

- ▶ The **<frame>** tag defines what HTML document to put into each frame
- ▶ In the example below we have a frameset with two columns.
- ▶ The first column is set to 25% of the width of the browser window. The second column is set to 75% of the width of the browser window. The HTML document "frame_a.htm" is put into the first column, and the HTML document "frame_b.htm" is put into the second column:

```
<frameset cols="25%,75%">  
  <frame src="frame_a.htm">  
  <frame src="frame_b.htm">  
</frameset>
```

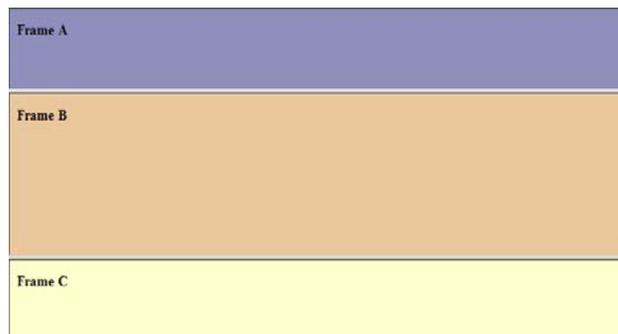
Vertical frameset

```
<html>
<frameset cols="25%,50%,25%">
  <frame src="frame_a.htm">
  <frame src="frame_b.htm">
  <frame src="frame_c.htm">
</frameset>
</html>
```



Horizontal frameset

```
<html>
<frameset rows="25%,50%,25%">
  <frame src="frame_a.htm">
  <frame src="frame_b.htm">
  <frame src="frame_c.htm">
</frameset>
</html>
```



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- ▶ Tables are defined with the `<table>` tag.
- ▶ A table is divided into rows (with the `<tr>` tag), and each row is divided into data cells (with the `<td>` tag).
- ▶ The letters **td** stands for "table data," which is the content of a data cell.
- ▶ A data cell can contain text, images, lists, paragraphs, forms, horizontal rules, tables, etc.

Example

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```
<table border="1">
<tr>
<td>row 1, cell 1</td>
<td>row 1, cell 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>row 2, cell 1</td>
<td>row 2, cell 2</td>
</tr>
</table>
```

row 1, cell 1	row 1, cell 2
row 2, cell 1	row 2, cell 2

Tables and the Border Attribute

- ▶ If you do not specify a border attribute the table will be displayed without any borders. Sometimes this can be useful, but most of the time, you want the borders to show.
- ▶ To display a table with borders, you will have to use the border attribute:

```
<table border="5">
<tr>
<td>Row 1, cell 1</td>
<td>Row 1, cell 2</td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Row 1, cell 1	Row 1, cell 2
---------------	---------------

Headings in a Table

- ▶ Headings in a table are defined with the `<th>` tag.

```
<table border="1">
<tr>
<th>Heading</th>
<th>Another Heading</th>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>row 1, cell 1</td>
<td>row 1, cell 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>row 2, cell 1</td>
<td>row 2, cell 2</td>
</tr>
</table>
```

Heading	Another Heading
row 1, cell 1	row 1, cell 2
row 2, cell 1	row 2, cell 2

Empty Cells in a Table

- ▶ Table cells with no content are not displayed very well in most browsers.

```
<table border="1">
<tr>
<td>row 1, cell 1</td>
<td>row 1, cell 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>row 2, cell 1</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</table>
```

row 1, cell 1	row 1, cell 2
row 2, cell 1	

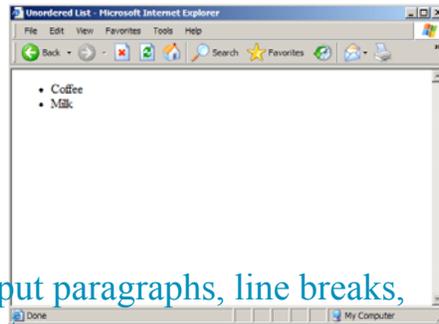
Table Tags

Tag	Description
<table>	Defines a table
<th>	Defines a table header
<tr>	Defines a table row
<td>	Defines a table cell
<caption>	Defines a table caption
<colgroup>	Defines groups of table columns
<col>	Defines the attribute values for one or more columns in a table
<thead>	Defines a table head
<tbody>	Defines a table body
<tfoot>	Defines a table footer

Unordered Lists

- ▶ An unordered list is a list of items. The list items are marked with bullets (typically small black circles).
- ▶ An unordered list starts with the `` tag. Each list item starts with the `` tag.

```
<ul>  
<li>Coffee</li>  
<li>Milk</li>  
</ul>
```

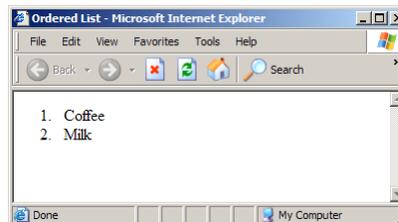


- ▶ Inside a list item you can put paragraphs, line breaks, images, links, other lists, etc.

Ordered Lists

- ▶ An ordered list is also a list of items. The list items are marked with numbers.
- ▶ An ordered list starts with the `` tag. Each list item starts with the `` tag.

```
<ol>  
<li>Coffee</li>  
<li>Milk</li>  
</ol>
```



Definition Lists

- ▶ A definition list is not a list of items. This is a list of terms and explanation of the terms.
- ▶ A definition list starts with the `<dl>` tag. Each definition-list term starts with the `<dt>` tag.
- ▶ Each definition-list definition starts with the `<dd>` tag.

```
<dl>
<dt>Coffee</dt>
<dd>Black hot drink</dd>
<dt>Milk</dt>
<dd>White cold drink</dd>
</dl>
```



List Tags

Tag	Description
<code></code>	Defines an ordered list
<code></code>	Defines an unordered list
<code></code>	Defines a list item
<code><dl></code>	Defines a definition list
<code><dt></code>	Defines a definition term
<code><dd></code>	Defines a definition description
<code><dir></code>	Deprecated. Use <code></code> instead
<code><menu></code>	Deprecated. Use <code></code> instead

HTML Forms and Input

- ▶ HTML Forms are used to select different kinds of user input.

Type your first name:
Type your last name:

If you click the "Submit" button, you will send your input to a new page called `html_form_action.asp`.

```
<form name="input" action="html_form_action.asp" method="get">
```

Type your first name:

```
<input type="text" name="FirstName" value="Binnur" size="20">
```


Type your last name:

```
<input type="text" name="LastName" value="Kurt" size="20">
```

```
<br>
```

```
<input type="submit" value="Submit">
```

```
</form>
```

Introducing Web Forms

- ▶ **Web forms** collect information from customers.
- ▶ Web forms include different **control elements** including:
 - Input boxes
 - Selection lists
 - Drop-down list boxes
 - Option buttons or radio buttons
 - Check boxes
 - Group boxes
 - Text areas
 - Form buttons

Forms and Server-Based Programs

- ▶ While HTML supports the creation of forms, it does not include tools to process the information.
- ▶ The information can be processed through a program running on a Web server.

Forms and Server-Based Programs

- ▶ Server-based programs are written in many languages
- ▶ The earliest and most commonly used are **Common Gateway Interface (CGI) scripts** that are written in **perl**.
- ▶ Other popular languages include:
 - AppleScript
 - ASP
 - ColdFusion
 - C/C++
 - PHP
 - TCL
 - the Unix shell
 - Visual Basic

Creating the Form Element

- ▶ Forms are created using the form element, structured as follows:

```
<form attributes>  
  elements  
</form>
```

- where *attributes* are the attributes that control how the form is processed and *elements* are elements placed within the form.

Creating the Form Element

- ▶ Form attributes usually tell the browser the location of the server-based program to be applied to the form's data.
- ▶ Always specify an id or name for the form.
- ▶ Two attributes are available to identify the form: **id** and **name**.

Creating the Form Element

- ▶ The syntax of the id and name attributes are as follows:

```
<form name="name" id="id">... </form>
```

Example:

```
<form name="reg" id="reg"> ...  
</form>
```

Creating Input Boxes

- ▶ The general syntax of input elements is as follows:

```
<input type="type" name="name" id="id" />
```

where **type** specifies the type of input field, and the name and id attributes provide the field's name and id.

```
<input type="text" name="city" id="city" />
```

Form Input Types: `<input type=`

Type	Description of what is displayed
<code>type="button"</code>	button can be clicked to perform an action from a script 
<code>type="checkbox"</code>	check box 
<code>type="file"</code>	browse button to locate and select a file 
<code>type="hidden"</code>	hidden field, not viewable on the form
<code>type="image"</code>	Clickable inline image - performs an action from a script 
<code>type="password"</code>	text box in which hides text entered by the user 
<code>type="radio"</code>	radio (option) button 
<code>type="reset"</code>	button which resets the form when clicked 
<code>type="submit"</code>	button which submits the form when clicked 
<code>type="text"</code>	text box in which displays text entered by the user 

Setting the Size of an Input Box

- ▶ By default, an input box displays 20 characters of text.
- ▶ To change the width of an input box, use the size attribute which is displayed as follows:

```
<input size="value" />
```

- ▶ `<input type="text" name="zip" id="zip" size="5" />`

Creating a Password Field

- ▶ A **password field** is an input box where characters typed by the user are displayed as bullets or asterisks to protect private or sensitive information on a Web site.
- ▶ The syntax for creating a Password field is as follows:
`<input type="password" />`

Working with Form Labels

- ▶ link a label with an associated text element for scripting purposes.
- ▶ The syntax for creating a form label is as follows:
`<label for="zip">Zip Code </label>`
Where *id* is the value of the id attribute for a field on the form,
and
label text is the text of the label.

Creating a Selection List

▶ A selection list

- list box from which a user selects a particular value or set of values.
- Selection lists are useful when there are a fixed set of possible responses from the user.

▶ create selection list using `<select>` tag.

▶ specify each individual selection item using the `<option>` tag.

Select list

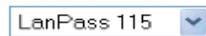
```
<form id="reg">  
<select name="item" id="item">  
  <option> dogs </option>  
  <option> cats </option>  
  <option> mice </option>  
</select>  
</form>
```

Modifying the Appearance of a Selection List

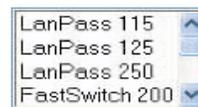
- ▶ change the number of options displayed in the selection list
 - by modifying the size attribute.
 - Syntax:


```
<select size= "value">... </select>
```
 - Where *value* is the number of items that the selection list displays in the form.

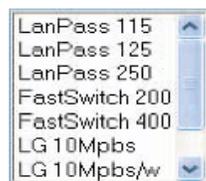
Modifying the Appearance of a Selection List



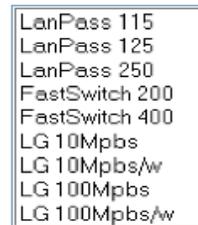
size = "1"



size = "4"



size = "7"



size = "9"

Making Multiple Selections

- ▶ Add the `multiple` attribute to the `select` element to create multiple selections

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```
<select multiple="multiple">... </select>
```

Working with Option Groups

Use **option groups** to organize selection lists into distinct groups.

```
<select attributes>  
  <optgroup label="label1">  
    <option>itema1</option>  
    <option>itema2</option>  
  ...  
<select attributes>  
  <optgroup label="label1">  
    <option>itema1</option>  
    <option>itema2</option>  
  ...  
</optgroup>  
  ...  
</select>
```

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Creating a Field Set

- ▶ HTML and XHTML allow you to organize option buttons into a group of fields called **field sets**.
 - Most browsers place a **group box** around a field set
 - indicates fields belong to a common group.

```
<fieldset>
    fields
</fieldset>
```
 - where *fields* are the individual fields within a set.

Creating Check Boxes

- ▶ To create a check box, use:

```
<input type="checkbox" name="name" id="id"
value="value" />
```

 - where the *name* and *id* attributes identify the check box field and
 - the *value* attribute specifies the value sent to the server if the check box is selected.
- ▶ To specify that a check box be selected by default, use the *checked* attribute as follows:

```
<input type="checkbox" checked="checked" />
or <input type="checkbox" checked />
```

Creating a Text Area Box

- ▶ Text area boxes allow users to enter comments about the products they've purchased.
- ▶ An input box would be too small to accommodate the length of text for this use.

Creating a Text Area Box

- ▶ To create a text area box, use the `textarea` element:

```
<textarea name="name" id="id" rows="value"
cols="value">
  default text
</textarea>
```

Where the `rows` and `cols` attributes define

- dimensions of the input box
- `rows` attribute indicates the number of lines in the input box.

Working with Form Buttons

- ▶ Buttons are a type of control element that performs an action.
- ▶ Types of buttons:
 - Command button
 - Submit button
 - Reset button
 - File button

Creating a Command button

- ▶ Command buttons are created using the `<input>` tag:
`<input type="button" value="text" />`
- ▶ Submit buttons submit forms to the server for processing when clicked. Syntax is as follows:
`<input type="submit" value="text" />`
- ▶ Reset buttons reset forms to their original (default) values. Syntax is as follows:
`<input type="reset" value="text" />`

Creating a File button

- ▶ **File buttons** are used to select files so that their contents can be submitted for processing to a program.
- ▶ The Web page then only displays the file's location, not the file's contents.

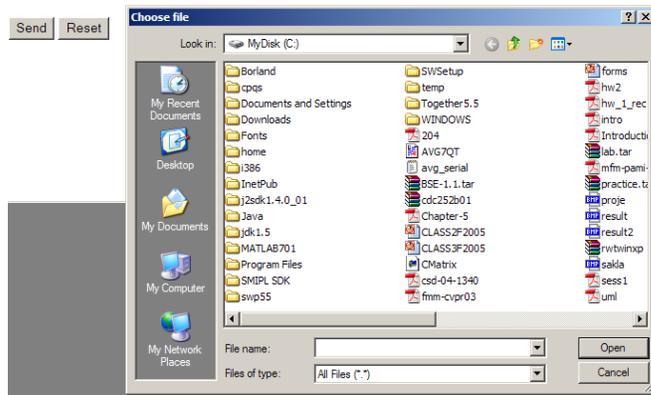
This form sends an e-mail to Binnur Kurt.

Name:
yourname

Mail:
yourmail

Comment:
yourcomment

Send Reset Browse...



Working with Hidden Fields

- ▶ **Hidden fields** are added to a form, but not displayed in the Web page.
- ▶ The syntax is as follows:

```
<input type="hidden" name="name"
      id="id" value="value" />
```

Working with Form Attributes

- ▶ After adding the elements to your form, you'll need to specify where to send the form data and how to send it.
- ▶ Use the following attributes:

```
<form action="url" method="type"  
      enctype="type">  
  
...  
</form>
```
- ▶ where ***url*** specifies the filename and location of the program that processes
 - the form and the ***method*** attribute specifies how your Web browser sends data to the server.
 - The ***enctype*** attribute specifies the format of the data stored in the form's field.

Working with Form Attributes

- ▶ The method attribute can have one of two values:
 - Post
 - Get
- ▶ The **get** method is the default
 - get appends the form data to the end of the URL specified in the action attribute.
- ▶ The **post** method sends form data in a separate data stream
 - allows the Web server to receive the data through “standard input”.

Using the mailto Action

- ▶ The `mailto` action accesses the user's own e-mail program and uses it to mail form information to a specified e-mail address.

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- ▶ By-passes the need for server-based programs.

- ▶ Syntax:

```
<form action=mailto:e-mail_address method="post"
enctype="text/plain"> ... </form>
```

- where *e-mail_address* is the e-mail address of the recipient in the form.

- ▶ Newer browsers do not allow this action for security reasons

Specifying the Tab Order

- ▶ Users typically navigate through a form with the tab key
- ▶ Specify an alternate tab order by adding the `tabindex` attribute to any control element in your form.

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- ▶ Example:

```
<input name="fname" tabindex="1" />
```

- ▶ assigns the tab index number "1" to the `fname` field from the registration form.

Specifying an Access Key

- ▶ **An access key**
 - single key typed with the Alt key
 - in order to jump to one of the control elements in the form.
- ▶ Create an access key by adding the `accesskey` attribute to any control element.
- ▶ Example of creating an access key for the `lname` field:


```
<input name="lname" accesskey="1" />
```

Form Tags

Tag	Description
<code><form></code>	Defines a form for user input
<code><input></code>	Defines an input field
<code><textarea></code>	Defines a text-area (a multi-line text input control)
<code><label></code>	Defines a label to a control
<code><fieldset></code>	Defines a fieldset
<code><legend></code>	Defines a caption for a fieldset
<code><select></code>	Defines a selectable list (a drop-down box)
<code><optgroup></code>	Defines an option group
<code><option></code>	Defines an option in the drop-down box
<code><button></code>	Defines a push button

The Image Tag and the **src** Attribute

- ▶ In HTML, images are defined with the `` tag.
- ▶ The `` tag is empty, which means that it contains attributes only and it has no closing tag
- ▶ To display an image on a page, you need to use the `src` attribute
- ▶ **src** stands for "source"
- ▶ The value of the **src** attribute is the URL of the image you want to display on your page
- ▶ The syntax of defining an image:

```

```

The Alt Attribute

- ▶ The `alt` attribute is used to define an "alternate text" for an image.
- ▶ The value of the `alt` attribute is an author-defined text

```

```
- ▶ The `"alt"` attribute tells the reader what he or she is missing on a page if the browser can't load images. The browser will then display the alternate text instead of the image.
- ▶ It is a good practice to include the `"alt"` attribute for each image on a page, to improve the display and usefulness of your document for people who have text-only browsers.

Backgrounds

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- ▶ The <body> tag has two attributes where you can specify backgrounds. The background can be a color or an image.
- ▶ The **bgcolor** attribute specifies a background-color for an HTML page.
- ▶ The value of this attribute can be a hexadecimal number, an RGB value, or a color name

```
<body bgcolor="#000000">
```

```
<body bgcolor="rgb(0,0,0)">
```

```
<body bgcolor="black">
```

- ▶ The lines above all set the background-color to black

Background

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- ▶ The background attribute specifies a background-image for an HTML page.
- ▶ The value of this attribute is the URL of the image you want to use.
- ▶ If the image is smaller than the browser window, the image will repeat itself until it fills the entire browser window

```
<body background="clouds.gif">
```

```
<body
```

```
background="http://www.cs.itu.edu.tr/bg.gif">
```

Useful Tips

- ▶ The bgcolor, background, and the text attributes in the <body> tag are deprecated in the latest versions of HTML (HTML 4 and XHTML).
- ▶ The World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) has removed these attributes from its recommendations.
- ▶ Style sheets (CSS) should be used instead (to define the layout and display properties of HTML elements).

Color Values

- ▶ Colors are defined using a hexadecimal notation for the combination of Red, Green, and Blue color values (RGB).
- ▶ The lowest value that can be given to one light source is 0 (#00). The highest value is 255 (#FF).

Color	Color HEX	Color RGB
	#000000	rgb(0,0,0)
	#FF0000	rgb(255,0,0)
	#00FF00	rgb(0,255,0)
	#0000FF	rgb(0,0,255)
	#FFFF00	rgb(255,255,0)
	#00FFFF	rgb(0,255,255)
	#FF00FF	rgb(255,0,255)
	#C0C0C0	rgb(192,192,192)
	#FFFFFF	rgb(255,255,255)

Color Names

- ▶ A collection of color names is supported by most browsers.
- ▶ Only 16 color names are supported by the W3C HTML 4.0 standard (aqua, black, blue, fuchsia, gray, green, lime, maroon, navy, olive, purple, red, silver, teal, white, and yellow).
- ▶ For all other colors you should use the Color HEX value.

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16 Million Different Colors

- ▶ The combination of Red, Green and Blue values from 0 to 255 gives a total of more than 16 million different colors to play with ($256 \times 256 \times 256$).
- ▶ Most modern monitors are capable of displaying at least 16384 different colors.
- ▶ If you look at the color table (next slide), you will see the result of varying the red light from 0 to 255, while keeping the green and blue light at zero

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Red

