

# Internet Technologies

Introduction to HTML and CSS - Part 3  
Box Model, Positioning

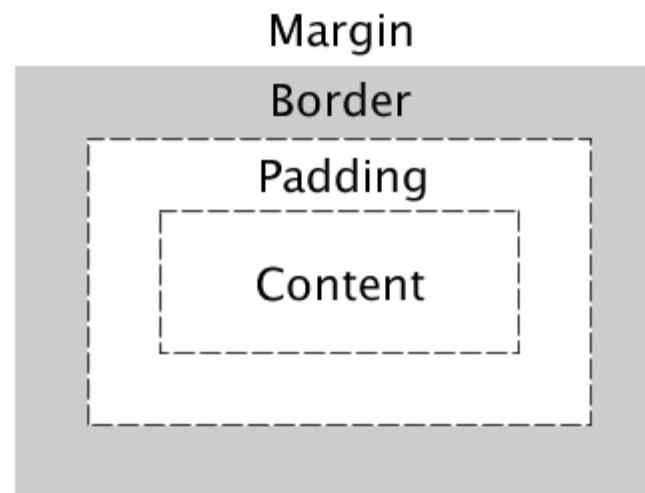


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# The CSS Box Model

- Every HTML element is composed of 4 layers:
  - the element's content
  - the **border** around the element's content
  - **padding** space between the content and border (inside)
  - a **margin** clears the area around border (outside)





# border

- Specify border (3 properties can be set – width, style, color – order does not matter)

- `border: solid;`
- `border: dashed red;`
- `border: 10px solid;`
- `border: 5px double #32a1ce;`

This is a box with a border around it.

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- Can also specify each border individually:

- `border-top`
- `border-bottom`
- `border-left`
- `border-right`



# border: width style color;

```
<p>Welcome to CS425: Internet Technologies!  
In this course you will learn modern web  
development techniques.</p>
```

HTML

```
p {  
    border: 2px solid black;  
}
```

CSS

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# Rounded border

- Can specify the border-radius to make rounded corners:  
`border-radius: 10px;`
- You don't actually need to set a border to use border-radius.

```
p {  
    background-color: purple;  
    border-radius: 10px;  
    color: white;  
}
```

CSS

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# Borders look a little squished

- When we add a border to an element, it sits flush against the text:
- Q: How do we add space between the border and the content of the element?

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# padding

```
p {  
    border: 2px solid black;  
    padding: 10px;  
}
```

CSS

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- padding is the space between the border and the content.
  - Can specify padding-top, padding-bottom, padding-left, padding-right
  - There's also a shorthand (clockwise starting from top):

```
padding: 2px 4px 3px 1px;      <- top|right|bottom|left  
padding: 10px 2px;            <- top&bottom|left&right  
padding: 1px 2px 3px;        <- top|left&right|bottom
```



# <div>s look a little squished

- When we add a border to multiple divs, they sit flush against each other:

```
<div> Lectures </div>  
<div> Homework </div>
```

HTML

```
div {  
    border: 2px solid black;  
    padding: 10px;  
}
```

CSS

Lectures

Homework

- Q: How do we add space between multiple elements?



# <div>s look a little squished

- When we add a border to multiple divs, they sit flush against each other:

```
<div> Lectures </div>
<div> Homework </div>
```

HTML

```
div {
    border: 2px solid black;
    padding: 10px;
}
```

CSS



- Q: How do we add space between multiple elements?



# margin

```
div {  
    margin: 20px;  
    border: 2px solid black;  
    padding: 10px;  
}
```

CSS



- margin is the space between the border and other elements..
  - Can specify margin-top, margin-bottom, margin-left, margin-right
  - There's also a shorthand (clockwise starting from top):

margin: 2px 4px 3px 1px;

<- top|right|bottom|left

margin: 10px 2px;

<- top&bottom|left&right

margin: 1px 2px 3px;

<- top|left&right|bottom



# margin

- Actually, why doesn't this:

```
div {  
    margin: 20px;  
    border: 2px solid black;  
    padding: 10px;  
}
```

CSS



- Look more like this?





# margin

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div {  
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    padding: 10px;  
}
```

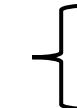
CSS

Lectures

Homework

- Look more like this?

20px margin-bottom  
+ 20px margin-top =  
40px margin ?



Lectures

Homework



# margin collapsing

- Sometimes the top and bottom margins of block elements are combined ("collapsed") into a single margin.
  - This is called **margin collapsing**
- Generally if:
  - The elements are siblings
  - The elements are block-level (**not** inline-block)
- then they collapse into **max(margin-bottom, margin-top)**.
- (There are [some exceptions](#) to this, but when in doubt, use the Page Inspector to see what's going on.)



# Negative margin

- Margins **can be** negative as well.
  - Example: negative margin on image:

```
<div id="header"></div>  
<div id="profile">  
      
</div>
```

HTML

```
#header {  
    background-color: lightblue;  
    height: 200px;  
}  
  
img {  
    /* initially no negative margin */  
    margin-left: 50px;  
    height: 65px;  
    border: 2px solid lightgray;  
}
```

CSS





# Negative margin

- Margins **can be** negative as well.

- `img { margin-top: -40px; }`

```
<div id="header"></div>                                HTML
<div id="profile">
    
</div>
```

```
#header {
    background-color: lightblue;
    height: 200px;
}
img {
    margin-top: -40px;
    margin-left: 50px;
    height: 65px;
    border: 2px solid lightgray;
}
```

**CSS**





# auto margins

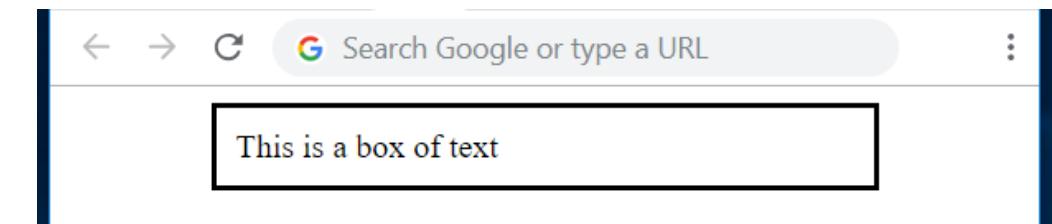
- If you set `margin-left` and `margin-right` to `auto`, you can horizontally center a block-level element with a specified width:

```
<div>  
    This is a box of text  
</div>
```

HTML

```
div {  
    margin-left: auto;  
    margin-right: auto;  
    border: 2px solid black;  
    padding: 10px;  
    width: 300px;  
}
```

CSS



# Moving things with position



- **Positioned layout** lets you define precisely where an element should be in the page ([mdn](#)).
- You can use positioned layout doing the following:
  1. Define a **position** method:  
static, fixed, absolute, relative
  2. Define **offsets**:  
top, left, bottom, right
  3. (optional) Define **z-index** for overlapping layers ([mdn](#))



# Moving things with position

- To specify exactly where an element goes, set its **top**, **left**, **bottom**, and/or **right** offset.
- The meaning of these offset values depend on the reference point set by position:
  - **static**: no reference point; static block **can't move** (this is the default style for every element)
  - **fixed**: a fixed position within the viewport
  - **absolute**: a fixed position within its "containing element"
  - **relative**: offset from its normal static position

# position: static

(nothing happens!)



- **static** is the default value for position
- If you use top/left/bottom/right without setting non-static position, nothing will happen

```
<h1>Puppy</h1>
```

```
<p>A puppy is a juvenile dog. Some puppies can  
weigh 1–3 lb (0.45–1.36 kg), while larger ones  
can weigh up to 15–23 lb (6.8–10.4 kg).</p>
```

```
<h2>Development</h2>
```

```
<p>At first, puppies spend the large  
of their time sleeping and the rest  
feeding.</p>
```

```
<div id="box1"></div>
```

**HTML**

```
body {  
    font-family: Helvetica, sans-serif;  
}  
  
#box1 {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    background-color: red;  
}
```

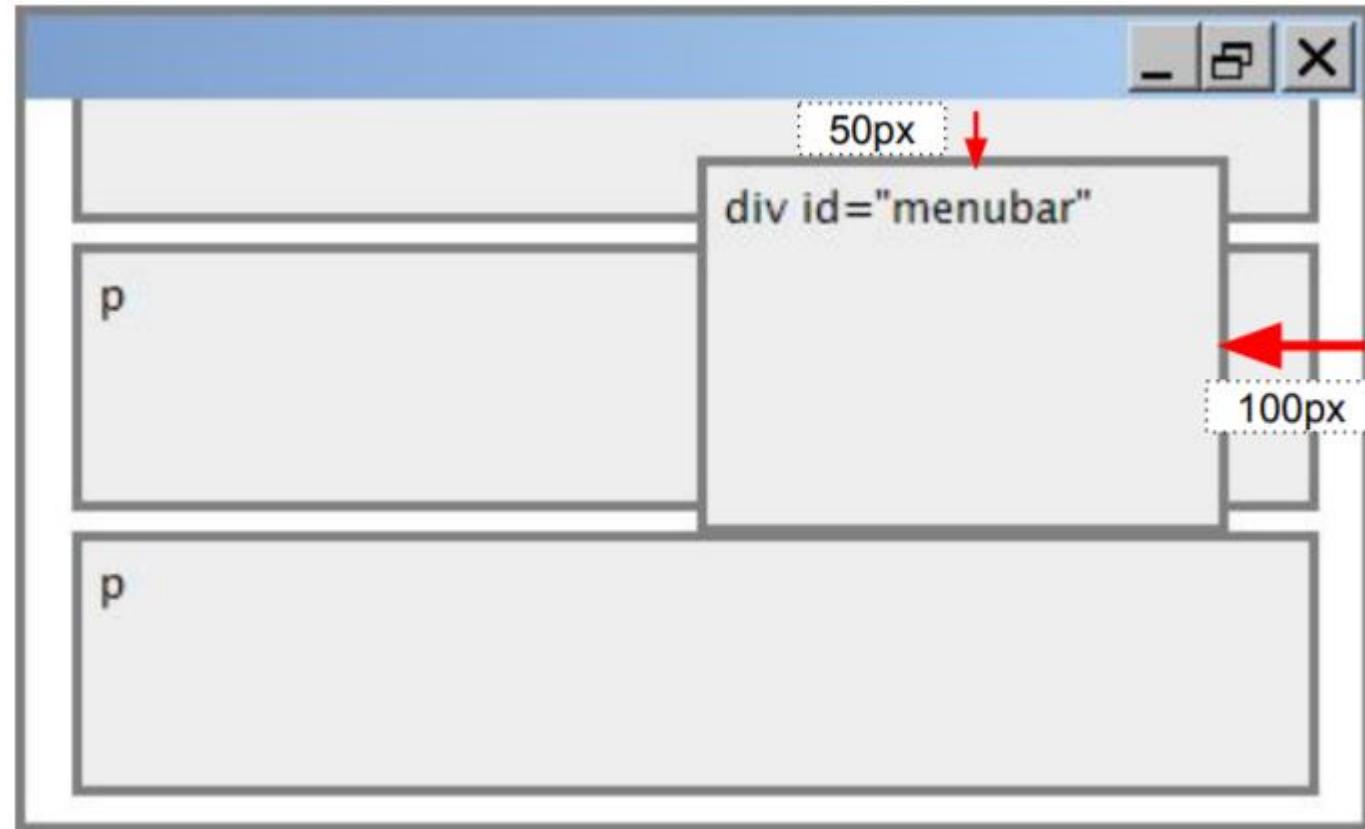
A screenshot of a web browser window. The title bar says "Puppy". The main content area has the word "Puppy" in bold. Below it is a paragraph about puppy weight. Under "Development", there is a short paragraph and a red square. The browser interface includes a back/forward button, a search bar with "G", and other standard icons.



# position: fixed

```
#menubar {  
    position: fixed;  
    top: 50px;  
    right: 100px;  
    width: 400px;  
}
```

css



- For **fixed positioning**, the offset is the distance positioned **relative to the viewport**.
- The element **does not move** when the webpage is scrolled.
- Element is removed from normal document flow, positioned on its own layer

Often used to implement UIs; control bars that shouldn't go away

# position: fixed

```
#box1 {  
    height: 50px;  
    background-color:  
        rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.5);  
    position: fixed;  
    top: 50%;  
    left: 0;  
    right: 0;  
}
```

CSS

[Codepen](#)

vernacular English, puppy refers specifically to dogs, while pup may often be used for other mammals such as seals, giraffes, guinea pigs, or even rats.

## Development

At first, puppies spend the large majority of their time sleeping and the rest feeding. They instinctively pile together into a heap, and become distressed if separated from physical contact with their littermates, by even a short distance.

Puppies are born with a fully functional sense of smell but can't open their eyes. During their first two weeks, a puppy's senses all develop rapidly. During this stage the nose is the primary sense organ used by puppies to find their mother's teats, and to locate their littermates, if they become separated by a short distance. Puppies open their eyes about nine to eleven days following birth. At first, their retinas are poorly developed and their vision is poor. Puppies are not able to see as well as adult dogs. In addition, puppies' ears remain sealed until about thirteen to seventeen days after birth, after which they respond more actively to sounds. Between two and four weeks old, puppies usually begin to growl, bite, wag their tails, and bark.

Puppies develop very quickly during their first three months, particularly after their eyes and ears open and they are no longer completely dependent on their mother. Their coordination and strength improve, they spar with their littermates, and begin to explore the world outside the nest. They play wrestling, chase, dominance, and tug-of-war games.

## Development

Puppies are highly social animals and spend most of their waking hours interacting with either their mother or littermates. When puppies are socialized

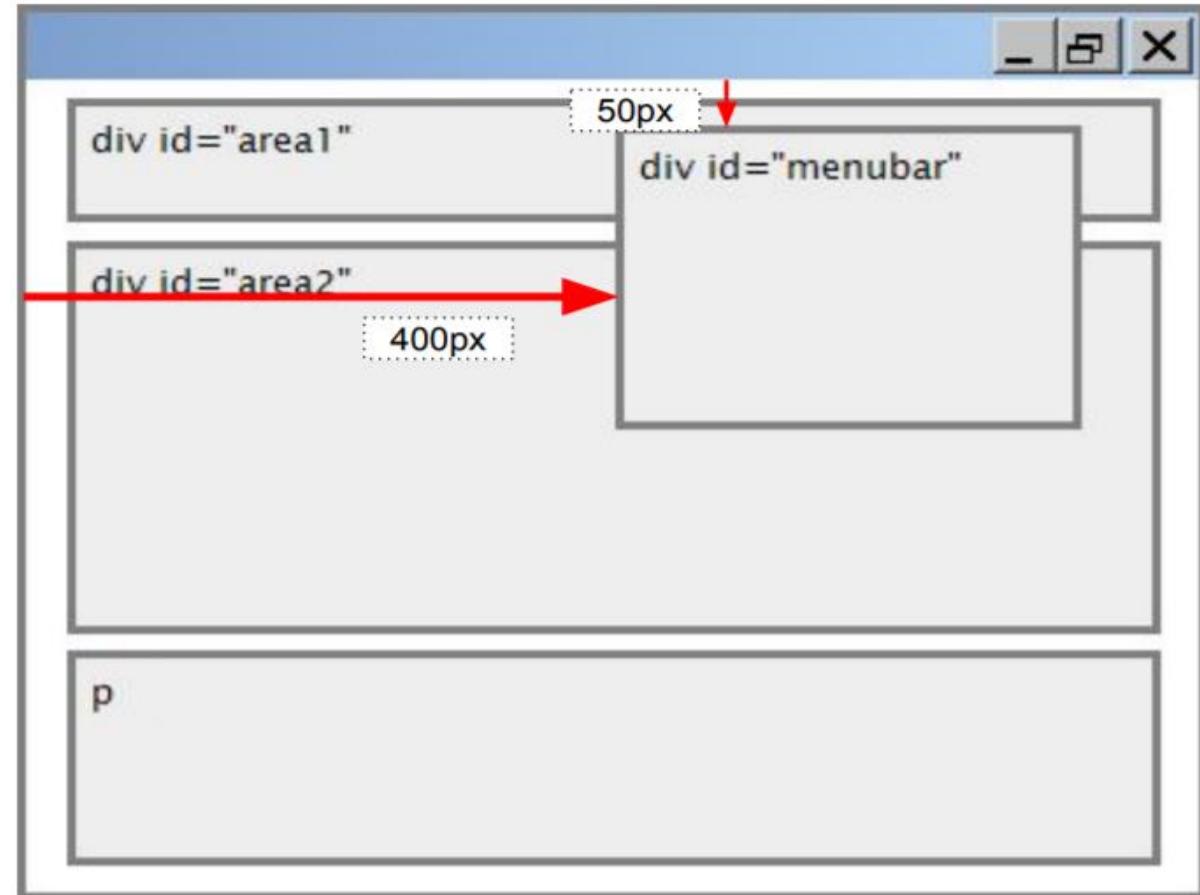


# position: absolute

```
#menubar {  
    position: absolute;  
    left: 400px;  
    top: 50px;  
    width: 300px;  
}
```

css

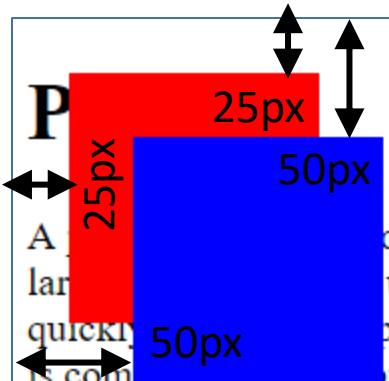
- For **absolute positioning**, the **offset** is the distance from the nearest **positioned "ancestor element"**, if no positioned ancestor, document body is used
- Element is removed from normal document flow, positioned on its own layer



# position: absolute

```
#box1 {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    background-color: red;  
    position: absolute;  
    top: 25px;  
    left: 25px;  
}  
  
#box2 {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    background-color: blue;  
    position: absolute;  
    top: 50px;  
    left: 50px;  
}
```

CSS



```
<body>  
    <h1>Puppy</h1>  
    <p>A puppy is a juvenile dog (0.45–  
    1.36 kg), while larger ones can  
    All healthy puppies grow quickly  
    change as the puppy grows older.  
    the Yorkshire Terrier. In vernacular  
    specifically to dogs, while pup may  
    such as seals, giraffes, guinea  
    <h2>Development</h2>  
    <p>At first, puppies spend  
    sleeping and the rest feeding.  
    heap, and become distressed if  
    their littermates, by even a s
```

```
<div id="box1"></div>  
<div id="box2"></div>  
</body>
```



dog. Some puppies can weigh 1–3 lb (0.45–1.36 kg), while larger ones can grow up to 15–23 lb (6.8–10.4 kg). All healthy puppies grow quickly, and a puppy's coat color may change as the puppy grows older, as is common in some breeds such as the Yorkshire Terrier. In vernacular English, puppy refers specifically to dogs, while pup may often be used for other mammals such as seals, giraffes, guinea pigs, or even rats.

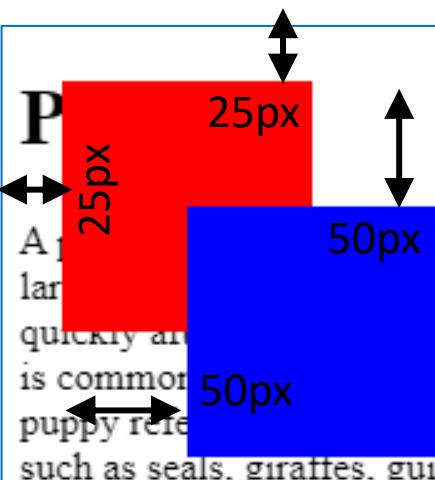
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}  
  
#box2 {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    background-color: blue;  
    position: absolute;  
    top: 50px;  
    left: 50px;  
}
```

css



```
<body>  
    <h1>Puppy</h1>  
    <p>A puppy is a juvenile dog (from birth to about 1.36 kg), while larger ones can be called a pup or puppy. All healthy puppies grow quickly and their coat color may change as the puppy grows older, as in the Yorkshire Terrier. In vernacular English, the word "puppy" may refer specifically to dogs, while pup may often be used for other mammals such as seals, giraffes, guinea pigs, or even rats.  
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```





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  position: absolute;
  top: 25px;
  left: 25px;
}
```

```
#box2 {
  height: 100px;
  width: 100px;
  background-color: blue;
  position: absolute;
  top: 50px;
  left: 50px;
}
```

```
#outside {
  position: absolute;
  background-color: green;
  width: 400px;
  height: 200px;
}
```

CSS

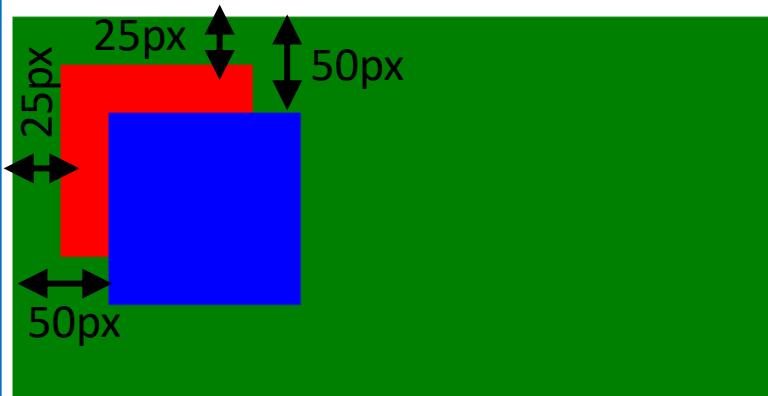
[Codepen](#)

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Without top/bottom,  
left/right offsets, defaults to  
the normal flow in document:  
as no position was applied



# position: relative

- For `position: relative;` the element is placed **where it would normally be placed** in the layout of the page but shifted by the `top / left / bottom / right` values.

```
#box2 {  
    height: 100px;  
    width: 100px;  
    background-color: blue;  
    position: relative;  
    top: 50px;  
    left: 50px;  
}
```

CSS

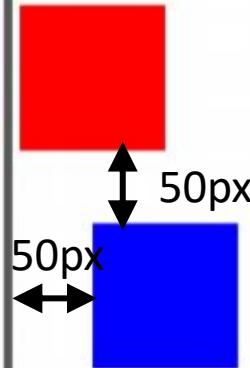
[Codepen](#)

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# Positioning elements with float



- The float property specifies how an element should float:
  - left - The element floats to the left of its container
  - right - The element floats to the right of its container
  - none - The element does not float (will be displayed just where it occurs in the text). This is default
  - inherit - The element inherits the float value of its parent
- Note: Absolutely positioned elements ignores the float property!
- Note: **Elements after a floating element will flow (wrap) around it**
  - to avoid this, use the clear property or theclearfix hack

# Positioning elements with float

(example without float)



- <div> takes the height of the containing element(s): <p> <img>

```
<h2>UCY campus</h2>
<div>
  
  <p>Welcome to the UCY campus</p>
</div>
```

HTML

```
div {
  background-color: lightblue;
}
img {
  height: 200px;
}
```

CSS

**UCY campus**



Both <p> and <img> are contained within the <div> so the lightblue background covers both of them.

Welcome to the UCY campus

# Positioning elements with float

(example **with** float)



- <div> takes the height of the containing element(s): <p>

```
<h2>UCY campus</h2>
<div>
  
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</div>
```

HTML

UCY campus



```
div {
  background-color: lightblue;
}
img {
  height: 200px;
  float: left;
}
```

CSS

Welcome to the UCY campus

<div>

Floated element <img> is not contained within the <div> anymore (actually <img> is removed from the normal document flow, and floats to the left of <div>) so the lightblue background covers only the <p> which is still contained within the <div>

# Positioning elements with float

(example **with** float)



- <div> takes the height of the containing element(s): <p>

```
<h2>UCY campus</h2>
<div>
  
  <p>Welcome to the UCY campus</p>
</div>
```

**HTML**

```
div {
  background-color: lightblue;
  overflow: hidden; ←
}
img {
  height: 200px;
  float: left;
}
```

**CSS**

**UCY campus**



Welcome to the UCY campus

overflow: hidden hides any part of an element which flow out of the parent container. At the same time, it “forces” the child elements to be contained within the parent element.

# Positioning elements with `display:flex`



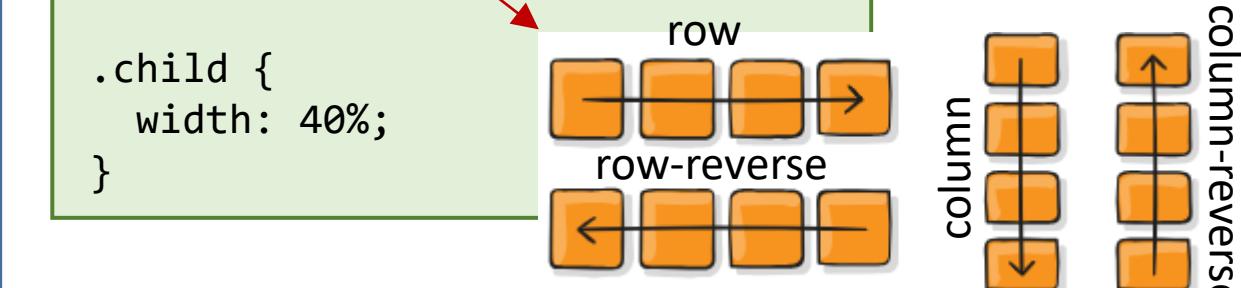
```
<div class="parent">
  <div class="child">
    <h2>First paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Second paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Third paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Fourth paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
</div>
```

HTML

```
.parent {
  display: flex;
  flex-flow: row wrap;
}

.child {
  width: 40%;
```

CSS



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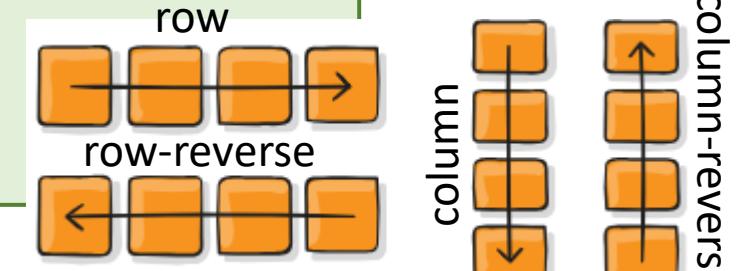
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  <div class="child">
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  </div>
  <div class="child">
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  </div>
</div>
```

HTML

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}

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  width: 40%;
```

CSS



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<https://codepen.io/paulantoniou/pen/ExMqmom>

# Positioning elements with `display:flex`



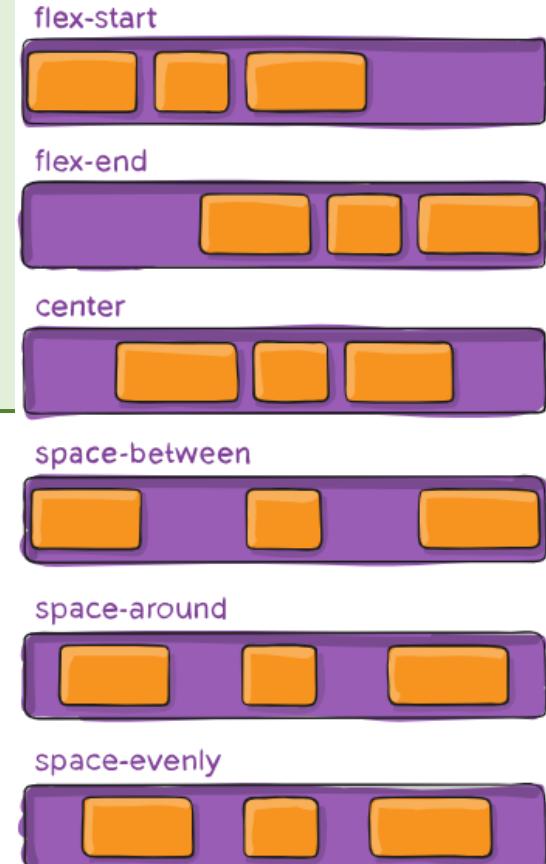
```
<div class="parent">
  <div class="child">
    <h2>First paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Second paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Third paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Fourth paragraph</h2>
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    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
</div>
```

HTML

```
.parent {
  display: flex;
  flex-flow: row wrap;
  justify-content: center;
}

.child {
  width: 40%;
```

CSS



Defines the alignment along the main axis. It helps distribute extra free space leftover when either all the flex items on a line are inflexible, or are flexible but have reached their maximum size.

<https://codepen.io/paulantoniou/pen/ExMqmom>

Very nice tutorial: <https://css-tricks.com/snippets/css/a-guide-to-flexbox>



# Positioning elements with `display:flex`

```
<div class="parent">
  <div class="child">
    <h2>First paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Second paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Third paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
  <div class="child">
    <h2>Fourth paragraph</h2>
    Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
    adipiscing elit, ...
  </div>
</div>
```

**HTML**

```
.parent {
  display: flex;
  flex-flow: row wrap;
  justify-content: center;
  gap: 10px 40px;
}

.child {
  width: 40%;
```

**CSS**



## First paragraph

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## Second paragraph

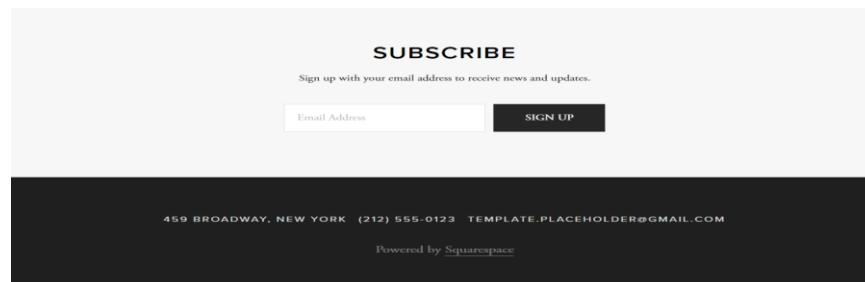
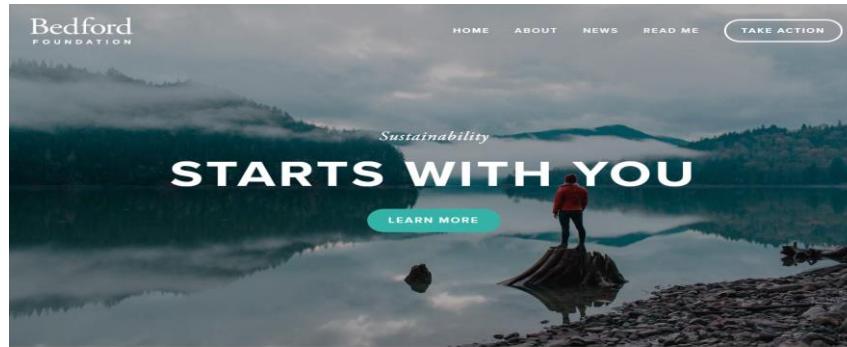
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# Layout Exercise

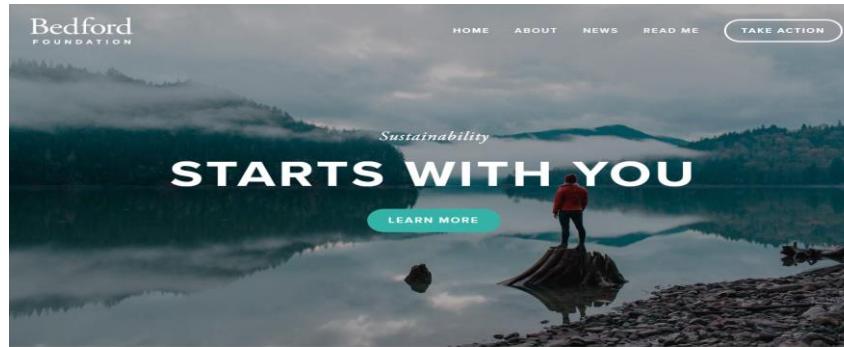
- Squarespace's most popular template looks like this:



Q: Do we know enough to make something like that?

# Basic shape

- Begin visualizing the layout in terms of boxes:



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Email Address

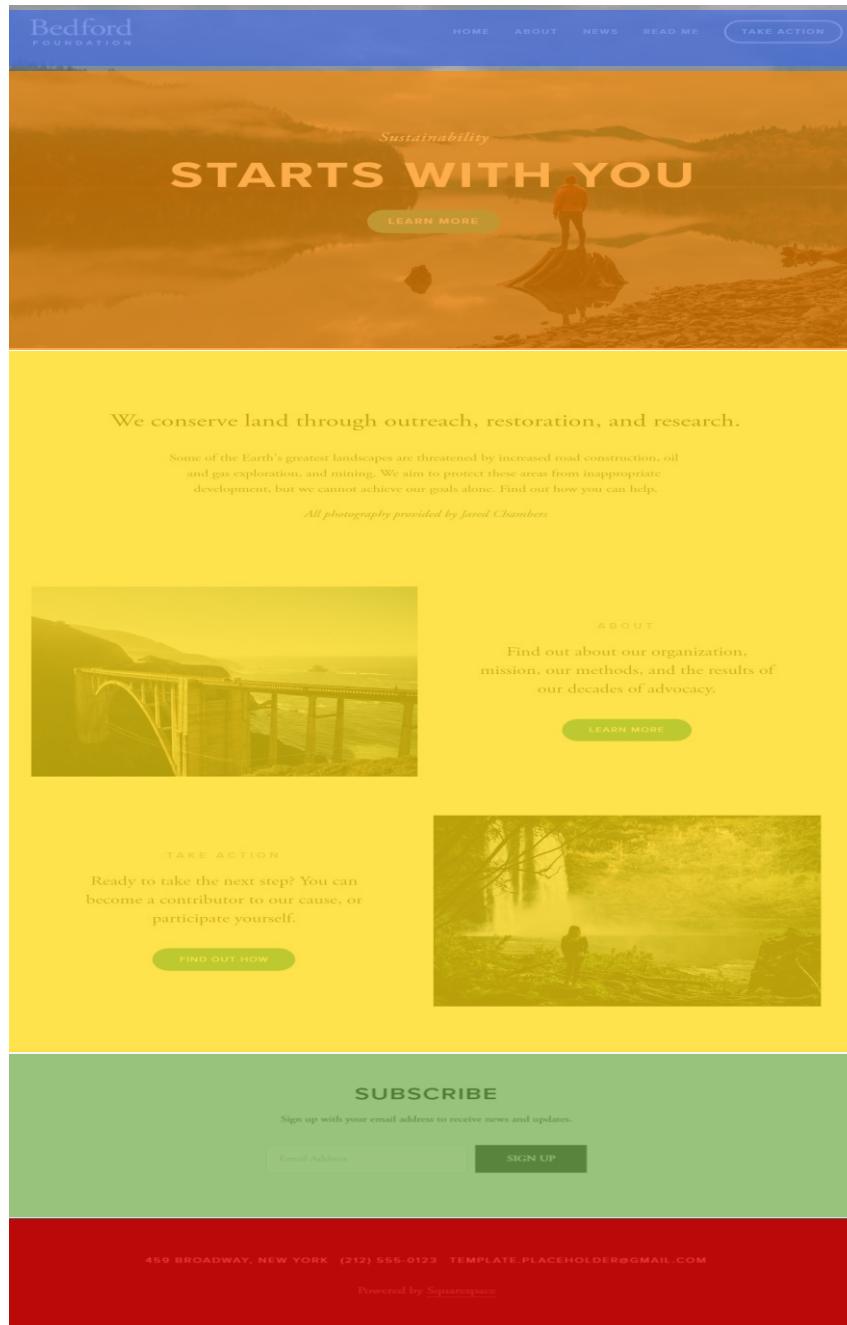
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# Basic shape

- Begin visualizing the layout in terms of boxes:
- Let's first try making this layout!



# Content Sectioning elements

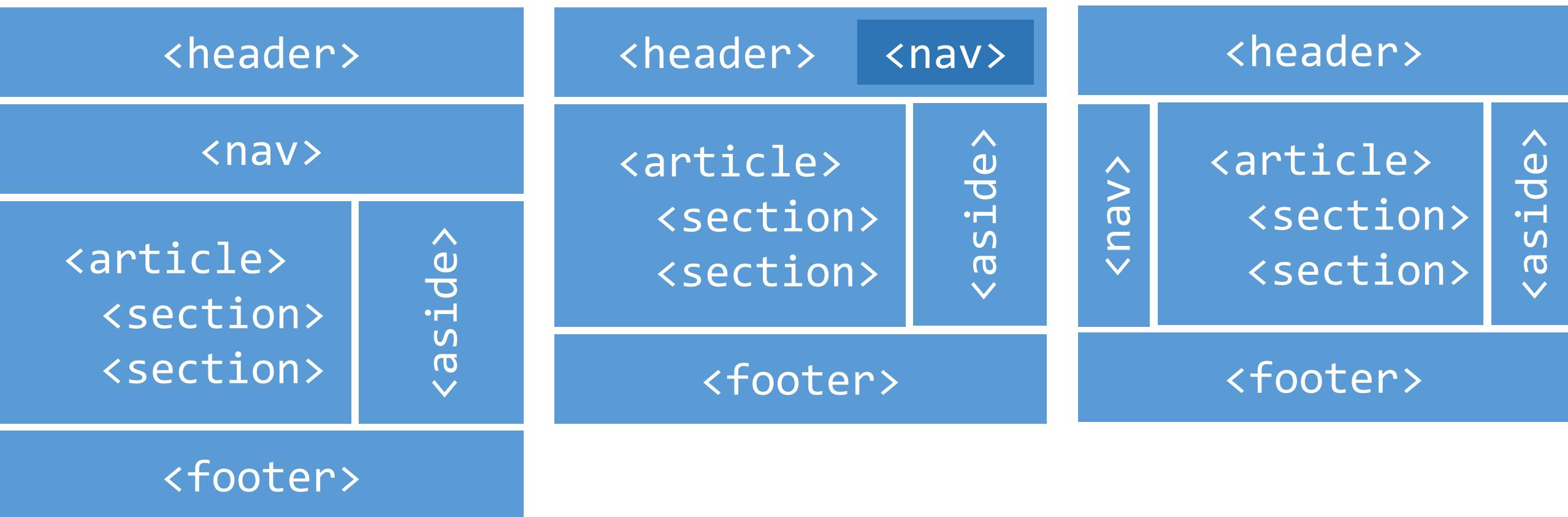
These elements do not "do" anything; they are basically more descriptive `<div>`s. Makes your HTML more readable. See [MDN](#) for more info.

Name	Description
<code>&lt;p&gt;</code>	Paragraph ( <a href="#">mdn</a> )
<code>&lt;h1&gt;-&lt;h6&gt;</code>	Section headings ( <a href="#">mdn</a> )
<code>&lt;article&gt;</code>	A document, page, or site ( <a href="#">mdn</a> ) This is usually a root container element after body
<code>&lt;section&gt;</code>	Generic section of a document ( <a href="#">mdn</a> )
<code>&lt;header&gt;</code>	Introductory section of a document ( <a href="#">mdn</a> )
<code>&lt;footer&gt;</code>	Footer at end of a document or section ( <a href="#">mdn</a> )
<code>&lt;nav&gt;</code>	Navigational (menu) section ( <a href="#">mdn</a> )
<code>&lt;aside&gt;</code>	Sidebar ( <a href="#">mdn</a> )

# Content Sectioning elements



- Prefer these elements to `<div>`s when it makes sense!



# Top

- **Navbar:**

- Height: 75px
- Background: royalblue
- <nav>

- **Header:**

- Height: 400px;
- Background: darkorange
- <header>



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A photograph of a long, arched bridge spanning a wide body of water, likely the Pacific Ocean, with hills visible in the background.

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A photograph of a person standing near a waterfall in a lush, green forest setting.

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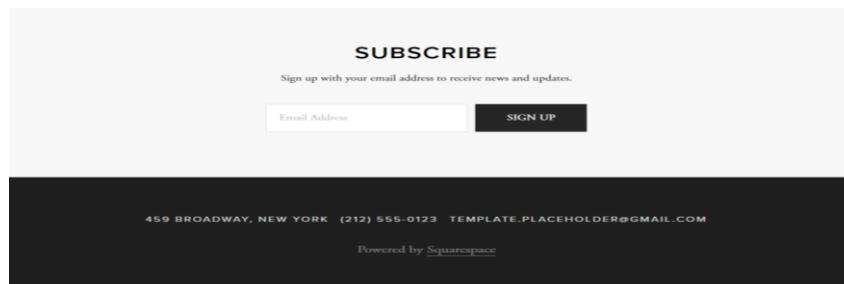
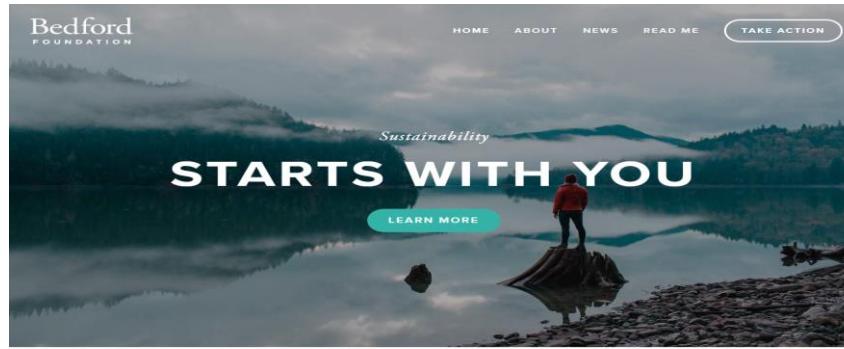
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# Main

- Gold box:
  - Surrounding space: 96px above and below; 32px on each side
  - Height: 990px
  - Background: gold
  - <section> ñ <article>



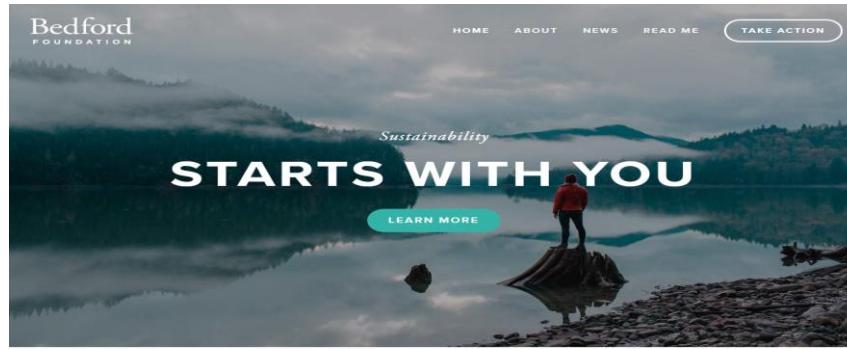
# Bottom

- **Subscribe:**

- Height: 310px
- Background: darkgray
- <section>

- **Footer**

- Height: 210px
- Background: black
- <footer>



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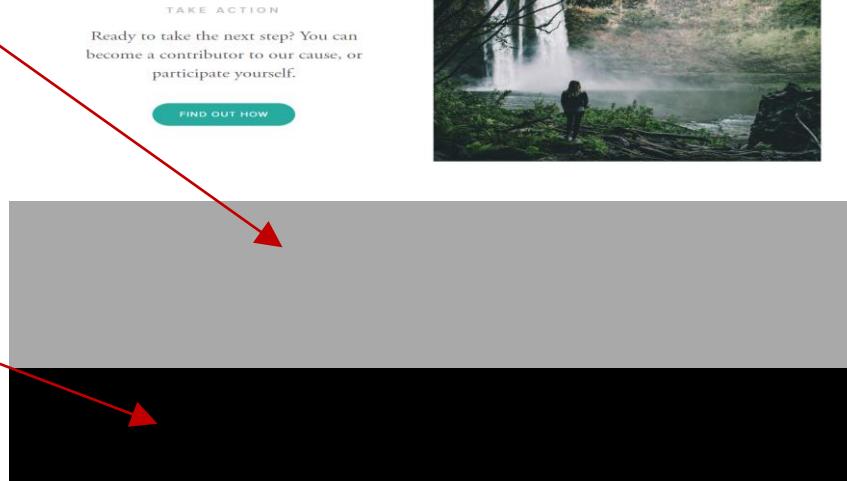
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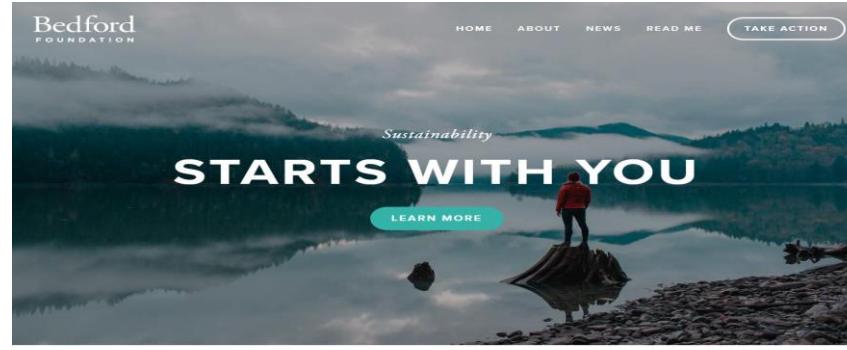
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# Main contents

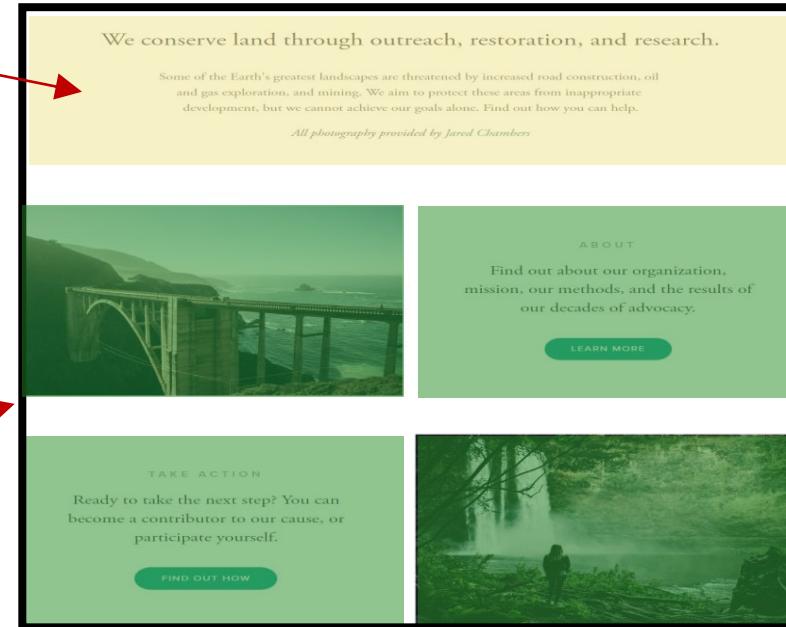
- Title with paragraphs:

- Height: 290px
- Background: khaki
- Space beneath: 80px
- `<h1>, <p>` within `<div>`

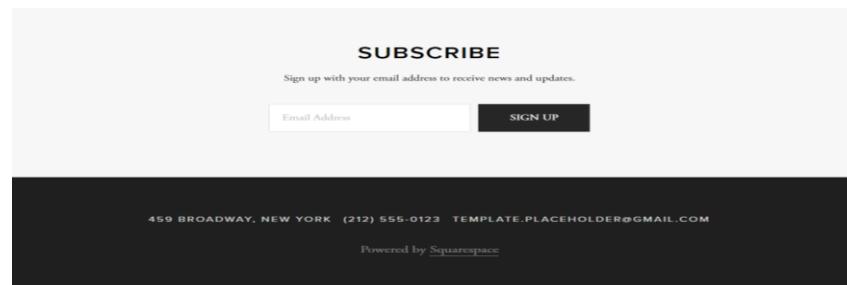


- Images and Descriptions

- Height: 275px;
- Width: 48% of the parent's width, with space in between
- Horizontal space: 80px;
- Background: forestgreen
- `<div>`



[Codepen](#)



Can be developed using either position property (see Codepen above), or with float property.

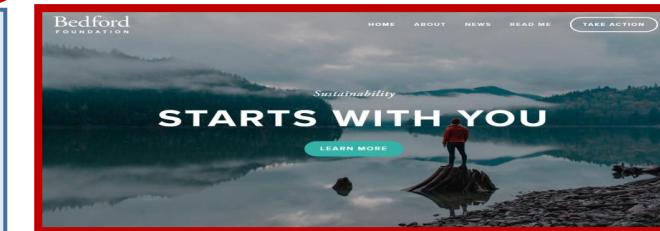
# Random useful CSS

# How to set an image within a div



- 1<sup>st</sup> way: Use <img> inside <div>

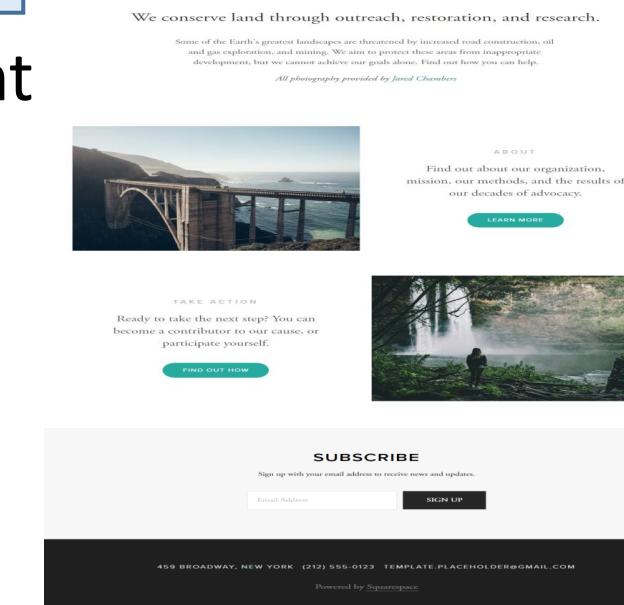
```
<div class="header">
  <img src=background.png" height="400px"/>
</div>
```



- 2<sup>nd</sup> way: Set it as background-image on <div> element

```
<div class="header">
</div>
```

```
.header {
  background-image: url(background.png);
  height: 400px;
}
```





# background properties

- You can then use additional background properties to further style it:

background-size: cover;

background-size: contain;

background-repeat: no-repeat;

background-position: top;

background-position: center;

background-attachment: fixed;

- ([CodePen](#): Try resizing the window)

# background-repeat property



```
.header {  
    background-image: url(https://cs.ucy.ac.cy/images/ucy\_logo\_en.png);  
    height: 195px;  
}
```

CSS



```
.header {  
    background-image: url(https://cs.ucy.ac.cy/images/ucy\_logo\_en.png);  
    background-repeat: no-repeat;  
    height: 195px;  
}
```

CSS

# background-size property



```
.header {  
    background-image: url(https://cs.ucy.ac.cy/images/ucy\_logo\_en.png);  
    height: 195px;  
    background-size: contain;  
}
```

CSS



**contain:** Scales the image as large as possible (e.g. here height to be 195px) without cropping or distorting the image (show the whole image). If space remains, another image is inserted.



# background-size property

```
header {  
    background-image: url(https://cs.ucy.ac.cy/images/ucy\_logo\_en.png);  
    height: 195px;  
    background-size: cover;  
}
```

CSS



**cover:** Scales the image as large as possible without distorting the image to cover width and height. If the proportions of the image differ from the element, it is cropped either vertically or horizontally so that no empty space remains. Above image is stretched to cover whole width, even that is cropped below.

# background-attachment property



- Parallax scrolling is a web site trend where the background content (i.e. an image) is moved at a different speed than the foreground content while scrolling:
  - create a container element (e.g. a div)
  - add a background image to the container with a specific height
  - add background-attachment: fixed to create the actual parallax effect
  - other background properties can be used to center and scale the image perfectly
- See examples here:
  - W3 School: [Parallax demo](#), [No parallax](#)
  - [Codepen](#)



# background-image: Gradients

- CSS gradients let you display smooth transitions between two or more specified colors
- CSS defines two types of gradients:
  - [Linear gradients](#) (down/up/left/right/diagonally)  
background-image: linear-gradient(**direction**, color-stop1, color-stop2, ...);
  - [Radial gradients](#) (defined by the center)  
background-image: linear-gradient(**shape size at position**, start-color, ..., last-color);



# background-image: Gradients

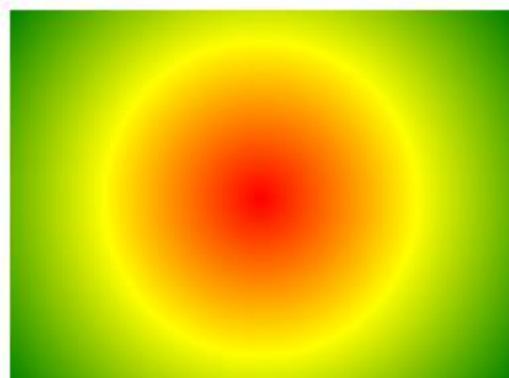
```
#grad1 {  
    width: 200px;  
    height: 150px;  
    /* For browsers that do not support gradients */  
    background-color: red;  
    /* Standard syntax (must be last) */  
    background-image: linear-gradient(red, yellow);  
}
```

css



```
#grad1 {  
    width: 200px;  
    height: 150px;  
    /* For browsers that do not support gradients */  
    background-color: red;  
    /* Standard syntax (must be last) */  
    background-image: radial-gradient(circle, red,  
yellow, green);  
}
```

css



# background-image: Gradients



- More tutorials: [https://www.w3schools.com/css/css3\\_gradients.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/css/css3_gradients.asp)
- Some gradient generators: <https://mycolor.space/gradient>,  
<https://www.css-gradient.com/>, <https://webgradients.com/>

# Web Fonts



- You can use Google Fonts to choose from a set of visually appealing fonts:

The screenshot shows the Google Fonts interface. On the left, a sidebar provides options for previewing text, setting a size of 40px, and applying filters for language (All languages), technology (Variable, Color), decorative stroke, serif, slab serif, sans serif, and classification. The main content area displays a message about cookie usage, followed by a search bar and a sorting dropdown. Below this, it shows 1595 families of fonts. The first few results are:

- Roboto** 12 styles | Christian Robertson  
Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this
- Fredoka** Variable (2 axes) | Milena Brandão, Hafontia  
Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this
- Protest Riot** 1 style | Octavio Pardo  
Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this
- Open Sans** Variable (3 axes) | Steve Matteson

# Web Fonts

- Select font family (from previous slide)
- Click “Get Font”
- Click on the “Get embed code”

The screenshot shows the Google Fonts interface. On the left, a sidebar menu includes options like A (selected), Fonts, Noto, Icons, Knowledge, and FAQ. The main content area features the "Google Fonts" logo and a search bar. Below the search bar are tabs for Specimen, Type tester, Glyphs, and About & license. A large blue button labeled "Get font" is highlighted with a red arrow. The font "Roboto" is selected, designed by Christian Robertson. The text "Whereas disregard and contempt for human rights have resulted" is displayed in the Roboto font. In the bottom right corner of the main content area, there is a message: "1 font family selected". To the right of this message, a "Share" icon and a "Remove all" link are visible. At the bottom right, there are two blue buttons: "Get embed code" and "Download all (1)". The footer contains links for "How to use", "All", "Design", "Develop", and "Google products". The status bar at the bottom shows "FONTS" and "Recursive".



# Web Fonts

- Copy the given <link> tag into the <head> section of your page alongside your other CSS files

Google Fonts

← Embed code

The screenshot shows the Google Fonts interface for the Roboto font family. On the left, a preview area displays the text "Whereas recognition of thi" in various styles (Thin 100, Thin 100 Italic) and weights (Regular 400, Light 300, Medium 500). Below the preview are buttons for "Change styles" and "View 5 more". On the right, the "Embed code" section is highlighted with a red arrow pointing from the list item above. It includes tabs for Web, Android, iOS, and Flutter, with the Web tab selected. Under the Web tab, there are two radio button options: <link> (selected) and @import. Below the tabs is the "Embed code in the <head> of your html" section, which contains the following code:

```
<link rel="preconnect" href="https://fonts.googleapis.com">
<link rel="preconnect" href="https://fonts.gstatic.com" crossorigin>
<link href="https://fonts.googleapis.com/css2?family=Roboto:ital,wght@0,100;0,300;0,400;0,500;0,700;0,900;1,100;1,300;1,400;1,500;1,700;1,900&display=swap" rel="stylesheet">
```

A "Copy code" button is located at the bottom right of this section. Below the embed code are "Roboto: CSS classes" with the following code:

```
.robotobold {
  font-family: "Roboto", sans-serif;
  font-weight: 700;
  font-style: normal;
}

.robotobolditalic {
  font-family: "Roboto", sans-serif;
  font-weight: 700;
  font-style: italic;
}
```



# Aside: Fallback fonts

- Notice that the Google Font example shows a comma-separated list of values for font-family:

```
font-family: 'Roboto', sans-serif;
```

- Each successive font listed is a fallback, i.e. the font that will be loaded if the previous font could not be loaded
- There are also six [generic font names](#) which allows the browser to choose the font based on intent + fonts available on the OS.
- It's good practice to list a generic font at the end of all your font-family declarations.



# overflow property

- Sets what to do when a content is too big to fit in its element's box

## overflow: visible

Lorem ipsum  
dolor sit amet,  
consectetuer  
adipiscing elit,  
sed diam  
nonummy nibh  
euismod  
tincidunt ut  
laoreet dolore  
magna aliquam  
erat volutpat.

```
div.ex4 {  
background-color: lightblue;  
width: 110px;  
height: 110px;  
overflow: visible;  
}
```

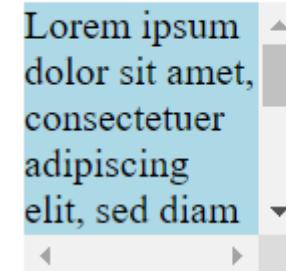
CSS

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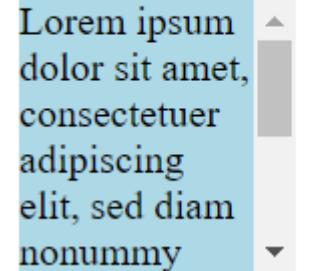
## overflow: hidden ;

## overflow: scroll ; overflow: auto ;

Lorem ipsum  
dolor sit amet,  
consectetuer  
adipiscing  
elit, sed diam



Lorem ipsum  
dolor sit amet,  
consectetuer  
adipiscing  
elit, sed diam  
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- Auto only shows a scrollbar when any content is clipped
- Scroll always shows the scrollbar even if all content fits and you can't scroll it (visible but disabled).

- The overflow property **works only for block elements with a specified height.**

[W3School Example](#)



# overflow property

```
<div class="item">  
    
</div>  
<div class="item">In this example  
the image will float to the left.  
</div>
```

HTML

```
.item {  
  float: left;  
  width: 300px;  
  color: cyan;  
  font-size: 22px;  
}
```

CSS





# overflow property

```
<div class="item">  
    
</div>  
<div class="item">In this example  
the image will float to the left.  
</div>
```

HTML

**CSS**

```
.item {  
  float: left;  
  width: 300px;  
  color: cyan;  
  font-size: 22px;  
  overflow: hidden;  
}
```



In this example the image will  
float to the left.

# Shadow Effects



- **text-shadow** property

```
h1 {  
    /* [x-offset] [y-offset] [blur] [color] */  
    text-shadow: 2px 2px 5px red;  
}
```

CSS

**Text shadow effect!**

- **box-shadow** property

```
div {  
    /* [x-offset] [y-offset] [blur] [color] */  
    box-shadow: 10px 10px 5px grey;  
}
```

This is a div element with a box shadow effect!

# CSS Icons – Font Awesome icons



- To use [Font Awesome](#) icons, add the following line inside the `<head>` section of your HTML webpage:

```
<link rel="stylesheet"  
      href="https://use.fontawesome.com/  
      releases/v5.6.3/css/all.css">
```

```
<p>Some Font Awesome icons:</p>  
<i class="fa fa-cloud"></i>  
<i class="fa fa-heart"></i>  
<i class="fa fa-car"></i>  
<i class="fa fa-file"></i>  
<i class="fa fa-bars"></i>
```

HTML

Some Font Awesome icons:



# CSS Icons – Google Material icons



- To use [Google Material](#) icons, add the following line inside the <head> section of your HTML webpage:

```
<link rel="stylesheet"  
href="https://fonts.googleapis.com/icon?family=Material+Icons">
```

```
<p>Some Google icons:</p>  
<i class="material-icons">cloud</i>  
<i class="material-icons">favorite</i>  
<i class="material-icons">attachment</i>  
<i class="material-icons">computer</i>  
<i class="material-icons">traffic</i>
```

HTML

Some Google icons:



# Simplicity above all else



- Always prefer simplicity.
- Other tips:
  - **Separation of concerns:** HTML should contain content NOT style, CSS should contain style NOT content
  - **Descriptive HTML tags:** Make your HTML more readable by using `<header>` e.g. instead of `<div>` when appropriate
  - **Reduce redundancy:** Try grouping styles, using descendant selectors to reduce redundancy (see past slides for details)