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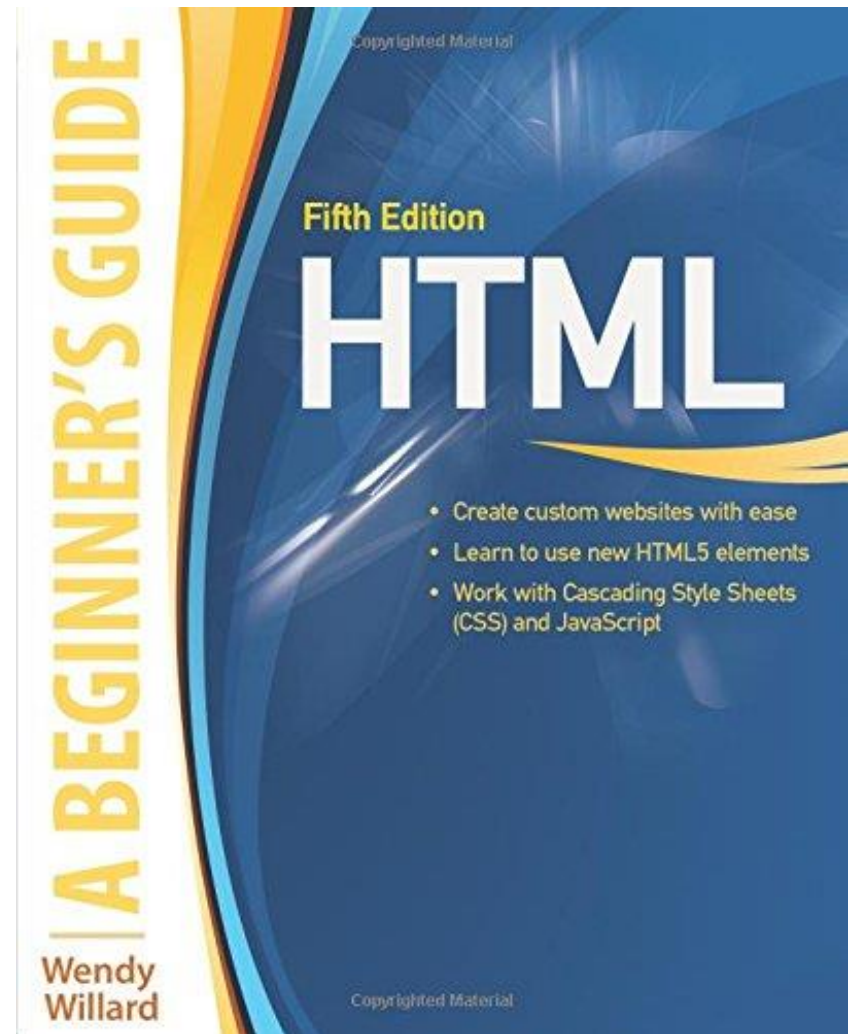
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Back to CSS Again

- Understand the concept and uses of Styles Sheets for Page Layout
- Create a Single-Column, centered, Fluid Page Layout
- Create a Multicolumn Fluid Page Layout
- Layer Content Within a Layout

Why CSS (AGAIN!)?

- The ultimate purpose
 - To separate the content of a web site from its design (style, look, ...)
 - Content is the king
 - Anything else should be icing on the cake
 - This would make maintaining a website a lot easier
 - Leaving the style (look) of a website to CSS completely also greatly benefit redesign the website
 - Check <http://www.csszengarden.com/>

Example

- Creating a single-column centered, fluid page layout

```
body {  
    margin: 0px;  
    padding: 0px;  
}  
  
#content {  
    margin: 50px;  
    padding: 20px;  
    color: black;  
    background-color: #CCC;  
    border: 1px dashed black;  
}
```

Example

```
p {  
  font-size: 12pt;  
  line-height: 20pt;  
  font-family: verdana, arial, helvetica, sans-serif;  
  margin: 0px 0px 12px 0px;  
}  
h3 {  
  font-size: 20pt;  
  font-family: wingding;  
  font-style: italic  
}
```

Example

- Creating a multi-column fluid page layout

```
body {  
    margin: 10px 10px 0px 10px;  
    padding: 0px;  
}  
  
#header {  
    height: 50px;  
    background-color: #CCC;  
    padding: 5px;  
}  
  
#navigation {  
    position: absolute;  
    left: 10px;  
    top: 70px;  
    width: 150px;  
    border: 1px solid #000;  
    padding: 5px;  
}
```

Example

```
#extra {
  position: absolute;
  right: 10px;
  top: 70px;
  width: 150px;
  border: 1px solid #396;
  padding: 5px;
}

#content {
  margin-left: 162px;
  margin-right: 162px;
  padding: 5px;
  color: yellow;
  background-color: #666;
}

#footer {
  border-top: 2px solid #000;
  padding: 5px;
}
```


Example

- Something new here?
 - Position
 - static
 - Like “no position” – let the browser handle the position of the element
 - relative
 - Positions the element relative to its original position
 - Position: relative; bottom: 50px;
 - absolute
 - Precisely position the element on the page
 - » Not following the normal (static) flow

Layered Content

- Layered content within a layout
 - with the help of position property

The style declaration of two divisions:

```
#apple {  
    position: absolute;  
    left: 20px;  
    top: 20px;  
    width: 200px;  
    padding: 10px;  
    text-align: center;  
    background-color: #ccc;  
    border: 1px dashed #000;  
}
```

Layered Content

```
#orange {  
    position: relative;  
    width: 200px;  
    padding: 10px;  
    text-align: center;  
    background-color: #333;  
    color: #fff;  
    border: 3px solid #999;  
}
```

Layered Content

- Remember we mentioned the absolutely positioned elements are removed from the normal page layout flow from the browser?
 - So the division of “orange” is positioned right to the upper left corner as it’s the first element handled in the page layout flow
- By default the relatively positioned element is placed above the absolutely positioned element
 - So “orange” is above “apple”

Layered Content

- What if we want to place “apple” above “orange”
 - Then we can use the ***z-index*** property
 - The element with the highest z-index value is the one on top

```
In #apple {  
    position: absolute;  
    ...  
    border: 1px dashed #000;  
}
```

We add “z-index: 2;”,
and add “z-index: 1;” to “orange”.

QUESTIONS

now