

CASCADING STYLE SHEETS (CSS)

CSS is a style sheet language used to create professional graphic presentations of HTML pages.

There are three ways of inserting a style sheet:

- external style sheet
- internal style sheet
- inline style

External style sheet are used to make graphic presentation independent of HTML pages. Insert the line below into the <head> of an HTML page.

```
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="filename.css">
```

where filename.css is the CSS file.

Internal CSS is insert into the <head> section by using the <style> tag:

```
<style>
```

```
....
```

```
</style>
```

Inline style may be used to apply a unique style for a single element.

Example: <h1 style="color: brown; margin-left: 20px;">Heading</h1>

CSS is used to define styles for web pages including backgrounds, fonts, links, text, margins, borders, etc.)

BACKGROUNDS

background-color (ex: green, #FF002A, RGB(200,10,15))

background-image: url("image.jpg")

Example:

```
body { background-color: #FC214D; }
```

FONTS

font-family (ex: arial, sans-serif, ...)

font-size (ex: 10px, 25px)

font-style (normal, italic, oblique)

font-weight (normal, bold, bolder, light, lighter)

color (ex: red, green, yellow, orange...)

Example:

```
p {  
    font-family: arial;  
    font-size: 15px;  
    font-style: italic;  
    font-weight: bolder;  
    color: blue;  
}
```

LINKS

```
a:link { color: red; }
```

```
a:visited { color: green; }
```

```
a:hover { color: yellow; }
```

```
a:active { color: blue; }
```

TEXT

text-align (left, center, right, justify)
text-decoration (overline, line-through, underline, none)
letter-spacing (space between letters, ex: 3px, 5px, ...)
word-spacing (space between words, ex: 5px, 10px, ...)
line-height (space between lines, ex: 0.8, 1.5, ...)

Example:

```
p {  
    text-align: center;  
    text-decoration: underline;  
    letter-spacing: 10px;  
    word-spacing: 20;  
    line-height: 2.5;  
}
```

MARGINS and BORDERS

margin-left (ex: 10px, 30px, ...)
margin-right (ex: 10px, 30px, ...)
margin-top (ex: 50px, 60px, ...)
margin-bottom (ex: 50px, 60px, ...)
border-width (ex: 5px, 18px, ...)
border-color (ex: yellow, blue, ...)
border-style (solid, double, groove, ridge, inset, outset)

Example:

```
p {  
    margin-left: 80px;  
    margin-right: 50px;  
    margin-top: 50px;  
    margin-bottom: 70px;  
    border-width: 7px;  
    border-color: yellow;  
    border-style: groove;  
}
```

CLASSES

In order to manage several paragraph with different styles, in the same HTML page, we have to use "classes".

Example:

```
p.style1 {font-family: verdana; color: green; text-decoration: underline;}  
p.style2 {font-family: arial; font-size: 15px; color: black; margin-right: 20px; }  
p.style3 {font-family: serif; font-size: 30px; color: orange; border-width: 5px; }
```

In the HTML page classes are recalled as below:

```
<p class="style1"> .... </p>  
<p class="style1"> .... </p>  
<p class="style3"> .... </p>
```

Web Resources:

Look at www.w3schools.com/css to study CSS in depth.