

# WHAT IS CSS?

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CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) is a language used to create documents on the web. CSS is meant for the *presentation* of a web page's content, or rather, how a web page is *meant to look*.

We can use CSS to modify any HTML tag, so as to deliver a branded experience in graphical browsers. Users accessing the pages with more primitive devices will still be able to understand and use the site. This is called *graceful degradation*.

## The Style Rule

CSS allows the author to specify formatting & presentation of HTML elements using CSS Style Rules.

A CSS Style Rule looks like this:

```
h1 {  
  font-size: 24px;  
  font-family: Helvetica;  
  color: blue;  
}
```



# The Syntax

Selects all h1 elements

CSS styles

```
h1 {  
  font-size: 24px;  
  font-family: Helvetica;  
  color: blue;  
}
```

Wrap your styles within the curly braces

# Selectors, Properties & Values

## Selectors

Selectors are used in CSS to style a specific HTML element, or multiple HTML elements.

Selector 

```
h1 {  
  font-size: 24px;  
  font-family: Helvetica;  
  color: blue;  
}
```

# Selectors, Properties & Values

## *Properties*

Properties are located within the curly braces of a CSS selector.

```
h1 {  
  font-size: 24px;  
  font-family: Helvetica;  
  color: blue;  
}
```

Properties —

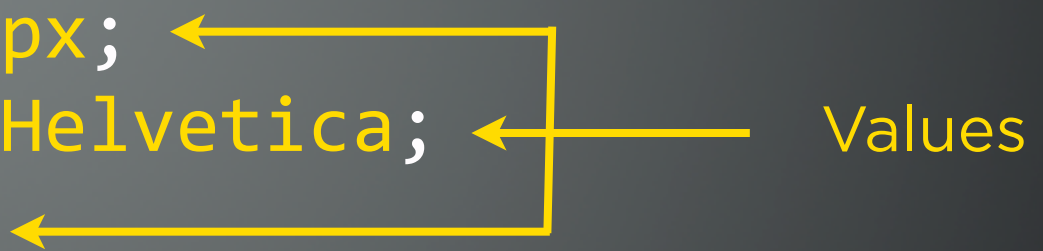


# Selectors, Properties & Values

## *Values*

A value is assigned to a property.

```
h1 {  
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```



Values

*GOOD JOB!*

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