

Elaine's First Experiments

Above is a Level 1 heading. There should only be one Level 1 heading per page which is the most important heading on the page (this is about to change with HTML5, but for now, stick to one Level 1 heading per page).

A word about headings

Above is a Level 2 heading. There can be as many Level 2 (and 3, 4, 5, 6) headings as you like on any one page.

Using meaningful sub-headings to break up blocks of text on your page is great for usability. Headings are signposts for users: they can scan down your page quickly, picking up the important points and, hopefully, finding what they're looking for. Writing good headings and sub-headings is also good writing practice as it helps you to organise content. Make sure that headings are really relevant to the content which follows them.

Using Lorem Ipsum Dolor dummy text

In an ideal world, it's far better to design and code a website if you have the content in advance, as design and content go hand-in-hand. But content isn't always ready when you need it. Also, you may want a client to look at a design or layout without focusing on the words themselves. In these cases use content. Read about Lorem Ipsum text at www.lipsum.com where there's a useful Lorem Ipsum generator - I used it to generate the text below (simply generate the number of paragraphs you need, then copy and paste into your Notepad window).

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Using for emphasis

You may have noticed that in the paragraph above stands out as it is displayed in bold type. This is achieved by enclosing the text in `` tags. The `` tag isn't just about visual difference, it also **strongly emphasises** the enclosed text for screen-readers too. For this reason, `` is a **semantic**, not a **presentational** tag.

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A Level Three Heading

I may want to include an ordered list, with a bulleted list inside, like this:

1. list item one
2. list item two
 - bullet point
 - bullet point
3. list item three
 - bullet point
 - bullet point
 - bullet point
4. list item four

Can you work out how to do this?

Use ordered lists where the list items are sequential, such as the steps in a recipe. Use bulleted lists where the items don't have a necessary sequence.

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A Level Four Heading

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A Level Five Heading

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Here are links to three of my favourite websites:

- [W3C \(World Wide Web Consortium\)](#)
- [W3W Web Accessibility Initiative \(WAI\)](#)
- [The Web Standards Project](#)

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