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Liz Castro's Quick CSS Reference Guide

In this handy reference taken from Elizabeth Castro's *Creating a Web Page with HTML: Visual QuickProject Guide*, Liz lists all of the CSS properties used to create a simple Web page from start to finish. If you want to make a great-looking Web page fast, but don't want to get bogged down in details, get your *Visual QuickProject Guide* today!

CSS Reference

property/values	description/notes
background any combination of the values for background-attachment, background-color, background-image, background-repeat, and/or background-position, or inherit	for changing the background color and image of elements initial value depends on individual properties; not inherited; percentages allowed for background-position
background-color either a color, transparent, or inherit	for setting just the background color of an element initial value: transparent; not inherited
background-image either a URL, none, or inherit	for setting just the background image of an element initial value: none; not inherited
border any combination of the values of border-width, border-style, and/or a color, or inherit	for defining all aspects of a border on all sides of an element initial value depends on individual properties; not inherited
border-color from one to four colors, transparent, or inherit	for setting only the color of the border on one or more sides of an element initial value: the element's color property; not inherited
border-style one to four of the following values: none, dotted, dashed, solid, double, groove, ridge, inset, outset, inherit	for setting only the style of a border on one or more sides of an element initial value: none; not inherited
border-top, border-right, border-bottom, border-left any combination of a single value each for border-width, border-style, and/or a color, or use inherit	for defining all three border properties at once on only one side of an element initial value depends on individual values; not inherited
border-top-color, border-right-color, border-bottom-color, border-left-color one color or inherit	for defining just the border's color on only one side of an element initial value: the value of the color property; not inherited
border-top-style, border-right-style, border-bottom-style, border-left-style one of none, dotted, dashed, solid, double, groove, ridge, inset, outset, or inherit	for defining just the border's style on only one side of an element initial value: none; not inherited
border-top-width, border-right-width, border-bottom-width, border-left-width one of thin, medium, thick, or a length	for defining just the border's width on only one side of an element initial value: medium; not inherited
border-width one to four of the following values: thin, medium, thick, or a length	for defining the border's width on one or more sides of an element initial value: medium; not inherited
clear one of none, left, right, both, or inherit	for keeping elements from floating on one or both sides of an element initial value: none; may only be applied to block-level elements; not inherited
color a color or inherit	for setting the foreground color of an element initial value: parent's color, some colors are set by browser; inherited
float one of left, right, none, inherit	for determining on which side of an element other elements are permitted to float initial value: none; may not be applied to positioned elements or generated content; not inherited



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font if desired, any combination of the values for font-style , font-variant , and font-weight followed by the required font-size , an optional value for line-height , and the also required font-family , or use inherit	for setting at least the font family and size, and optionally the style, variant, weight, and line-height of text initial value depends on individual properties; inherited; percentages allowed for values of font-size and line-height
font-family one or more quotation mark-enclosed font names followed by an optional generic font name, or use inherit	for choosing the font family for text initial value: depends on browser; inherited
font-size an absolute size, a relative size, a length, a percentage, or inherit	for setting the size of text initial value: medium ; the computed value is inherited; percentages refer to parent element's font size
font-style either normal , italic , oblique , or inherit	for making text italic initial value: normal ; inherited
font-weight either normal , bold , bolder , lighter , 100 , 200 , 300 , 400 , 500 , 600 , 700 , 800 , 900 , or inherit	for applying, removing, and adjusting bold formatting initial value: normal ; the numeric values are considered keywords and not integers (you can't choose 150, for example); inherited
left either a length, percentage, auto , or inherit	for setting the distance that an element should be offset from its parent element's left edge initial value: auto ; may only be applied to positioned elements; not inherited; percentages refer to width of containing block
line-height either normal, a number, a length, a percentage, or inherit	for setting the amount of space between lines of text initial value: normal ; inherited; percentages refer to the font size of the element itself
margin one to four of the following: length, percentage, auto , or inherit	for setting the amount of space between one or more sides of an element's border and its parent element initial value depends on browser and on value of width; not inherited; percentages refer to width of containing block
padding one to four lengths or percentages, or inherit	for specifying the distance between one or more sides of an element's content area and its border initial value depends on browser: not inherited; percentages refer to width of containing block
padding-top, padding-right, padding-bottom, padding-left either a length, percentage, or inherit	for specifying the distance between one side of an element's content area and its border initial value: 0; not inherited; percentages refer to width of containing block
position either static , relative , absolute , fixed , or inherit	for determining how an element should be positioned with respect to the document's flow initial value: static ; may not be applied to generated content; not inherited
text-align one of left , right , center , justify , a string, or inherit	for aligning text initial value depends on browser and writing direction; may only be applied to block-level elements; inherited
text-decoration any combination of underline , overline , line-through , and blink , or none or inherit	for decorating text (mostly with lines) initial value: none ; not inherited
top either a length, percentage, auto , or inherit	for setting the distance that an element should be offset from its parent element's top edge initial value: auto ; may only be applied to positioned elements; not inherited; percentages refer to height of containing block
white-space either normal , pre , nowrap , or inherit	for specifying how white space should be treated initial value: normal ; may only be applied to block-level elements; inherited
width either a length, percentage, auto , or inherit	for setting the width of an element initial value: auto ; may not be applied to non-replaced inline elements, table rows, or row groups; not inherited; percentages refer to width of containing block