

Lesson 5 : Hyperlinks

What is a Hyperlink?

- A website is usually made up of several web pages. We can create web pages that are connected to one another and effectively create a Web Site.
- Hyperlink is a reference link that allows you to navigate to another page of the same document or to another document.

There are three types of Hyperlinks:

1. Absolute URL – links to a page on a different Web server
2. Relative URL – links to a page on the same Web server
3. Named anchor – links to a different location on the same Web page.

Creating a Link from One Page to Another:

- In this part, you will learn how to create anchors (term used to define a hyperlink) that allow viewers to go to another Web page or file.
- Anchors can also be made to make email hyperlinks.
- Hyperlinks are clicked in order to jump to a page specified in it.
- Anchors can be made thru the container tag `<a>` and setting the value of the attribute href as the target destination page.

Syntax: `Yahoo!`

Attributes for <code><a></code>	
Attribute	Definition
href	Indicates the target of the anchor. Ex. <code>Click this to learn about paragraphs again!</code>
target	Indicates the behavior the Web browser will carry out. Ex. <code>Click this to learn about paragraphs again!</code>
name	Assigns a name to the anchor defining an internal bookmark of the page. Ex. <code>Click this to learn about paragraphs again!</code>

Target Attribute:

The target attribute indicates what the Web browser will do when the hyperlink is clicked. The following describes what each value does:

1. `blank` – the value of the href attribute or target URL will be opened in a new window.
2. `_self` – the value of the href attribute or target URL will be opened within the same frame.
3. `_parent` – the value of the href attribute or target URL will be opened in the parent frameset.
4. `_top` – the value of the href attribute or target URL will be opened in the full body of the window.

Sample Code:

```
<html>
<head><title>Computer Books, Software, Hardware</title></head>
<body>
<h1><font color="#ff0000">IT Learning</font></h1>
<hr align="left" size="10" width="600">
<font size="6">
<p>The featured products for this month are: </p>
```

```
<ul>Books
<li><a href="VG_Office_09-10.jpg">Office Productivity</a></li>
<li><a href="VG_Creative_09-10.jpg">Creative Design</a></li>
<li><a href="ITL_10_FINAL.jpg">HTML</a></li>
</ul>
</font>
</body>
</html>
```

Note:

To make the visited link a different color from the unvisited so that visitors can tell where they have been:

Syntax: `<body vlink="0000ff">`

Creating an Email Link:

- Email links allow users to send email and communicate with others easily.
- Email hyperlink open the Create New Email Message of the MS Outlook Express (or the default mail client) and sets the message to be sent to the specified email address.
- You can make your own email hyperlink by setting the value of the attribute href as mailto: followed by the email address.

Example: `Email us now`

Sample Code:

```
<html>
<head><title>I.T. Books</title></head>
<body>
<a href="www.google.com">Go to Google</a><br><br>
<a href="mailto:jemmainc@yahoo.com">Email us now</a>
<li><a href="ITL_10_FINAL.jpg">HTML</a></li>
</body>
</html>
```

Linking to a Page on a Different Web Site:

- To link to a page on a different web site, you have to find first the destination file path then copy it to your code to create a link.

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<li><a href="ITL_10_FINAL.jpg">HTML</a></li>
<p>Other books from
<a href="http://www.cengage.com/">Cengage Learning</a></p>
</ul>
```

```
</font>
</body>
</html>
```

Using Graphics as Links:

- You can use graphics or images to take you to another page in your web site or to another web site.

Example: ``
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```
<html>
<head><title>Computer Books, Software, Hardware</title></head>
<body>
<h1>IT Books</h1>
<p>Latest Titles</p>
<ul>
<li><a href="Animation_book.jpg"></a></li>
<li><a href="Creative_book.jpg"></a></li>
</ul>
</body>
</html>
```