

# **Client-Side Web Development**

**Class 1.2**

# Today's Topics

- Web Accessibility
- **Lab:** Keeping Things Accessible

**Any Questions?**

# **Web Accessibility**

***Web Accessibility*** is the experience of users who might be outside the narrow range of the "typical" user, who might access or interact with things differently than you expect.

# "Non-typical" Users

- Visual Impaired
- Physically Disabled
- Mobile Users
- International Users

**Making a site accessible not only helps the non-typical user, it general makes it site easier to use for everyone**

# **Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1**



<https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/>

# **WebAIM WCAG Checklist**

[\*\*https://webaim.org/standards/wcag/checklist\*\*](https://webaim.org/standards/wcag/checklist)

**Focus**

***Focus*** determines where keyboard events go in the page at any given moment.

# Focus

Username

Email

Password

Make sure it's **more than 15 characters** OR **at least 8 characters including a number and a lowercase letter**.  
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# **DOM Order and Tab Order**

***DOM Order*** is the order in which elements are laid inside the HTML



***Tab Order*** is the order in which elements are focused when tabbing through the page

**By default, *Tab Order* will match  
*DOM Order***

**CSS can change the order in which elements appear, but that does not affect *DOM Order***

```
<div class="buttons">  
  <button>First Button</button>  
  <button>Second Button</button>  
  <button>Third Button</button>  
</div>
```

**First Button**

**Second Button**

**Third Button**

**First Button**

**Second Button**

**Third Button**

First Button

Second Button

Third Button

First Button

Second Button

Third Button



```
.buttons {  
  display: flex;  
  flex-direction: column;  
}
```

```
button:first-child {  
  order: 2;  
}
```

```
button:last-child {  
  order: 1;  
}
```

**Second Button**

**Third Button**

**First Button**

Second Button

Third Button

First Button

**Second Button**

**Third Button**

**First Button**

Second Button

Third Button

First Button

**Off Screen / Invisible Content**

```
.buttons {  
  display: flex;  
  flex-direction: column;  
}
```

```
button:first-child {  
  order: 2;  
}
```

```
button:last-child {  
  order: 1;  
}
```

```
button:nth-child(2) {  
  opacity: 0;  
}
```

**Third Button**

**First Button**



**Third Button**

**First Button**

**Third Button**

**First Button**

**Third Button**

**First Button**

Use `display: none` or  
`visibility: hidden` to remove  
an element from Tab Order

# Tabindex

***TabIndex*** can explicitly set an  
element's tab position

***TabIndex*** can be applied to any  
**HTML element**

```
<div class="buttons">  
  <button tabindex="3">First Button</button>  
  <button tabindex="1">Second Button</button>  
  <button tabindex="2">Third Button</button>  
</div>
```



**Second Button**

**Third Button**

**First Button**

**Second Button**

**Third Button**

**First Button**

Second Button

Third Button

First Button

Second Button

Third Button

First Button

# **Semantic HTML**

***Semantic HTML*** is the use of HTML that reinforces the meaning or purpose of an element

**Assistive technologies use the HTML to get content as well as meaning or purpose**

```
<div class="block1">Block 1</div>
```

```
<div class="block2">Block 2</div>
```

```
<div class="block3">Block 3</div>
```

```
<div class="block4">Block 4</div>
```



**Block 1**

**Block 3**

**Block 2**

**Block 4**

```
<header class="block1">Block 1</header>  
<article class="block2">Block 2</article>  
<aside class="block3">Block 3</aside>  
<footer class="block4">Block 4</footer>
```

# **Order and Hierarchy**

**It is important that the HTML is in a logical order with proper hierarchy**

**Using heading tags, <h1>, <h2>, etc., helps provides a natural structure of the content.**

**Text Alternative**

***Text Alternative*** is a description of any visual or audio element that provides content in plain text

**All images, including image buttons  
and image maps, should have an  
appropriate text alternative**



**Decorative images or images  
already described in text should be  
given null or empty alt text**

**Form inputs should have text labels**

**Transcripts or captions should be  
provided for video and audio  
content**

# Styling

**CSS also plays a big part in accessibility, so there are several key guidelines to keep in mind**

**Make sure the page is responsive  
and zoomable**

**Make sure the lines of text are not too long and that there is enough space between lines**

**Make sure there is enough contrast  
between the text, background, and  
images**



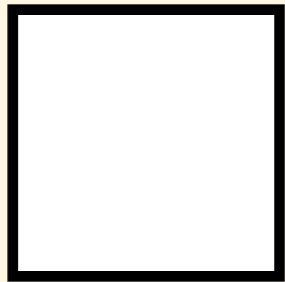
**Make sure that the focus state of an element is visible, which can be set using the `:focus` pseudo-class**

**ARIA**

# **Accessible Rich Internet Application**

***ARIA*** is used provide semantics to custom HTML structures or to change/add meaning to an element

```
<li tabindex="0" class="checkbox" checked>  
  Learn Web Accessibility  
</li>
```



# **Learn Web Accessibility**

```
<li tabindex="0" class="checkbox" role="checkbox"
checked aria-checked="true">
  Learn Web Accessibility
</li>
```

# For next class...

- Flexbox
- **Exercise:** Flexbox Froggy