XII - CHAPTER - 6 CASCADING STYLE SHEETS (CSS)

1. Cascading style sheets (CSS): Cascading Style Sheet (CSS) is an extension of HTML by which we can enhance the look and feel of a website very easily.

Advantage using CSS

- Easy to change layout
- Reduce the size of a web page
- Reduce bandwidth

- Consistency in web pages
- Viewing options
- Saves time
- 3. Define style rules: A style rule tells the browser how to render a particular element such as text, paragraph, image, button etc on a webpage.
 - 2 Sections of a Style rule
 - 3.1 Selector: A selector is an HTML element that applies a style rule.
 - 3.2 Declaration: A block where the property and value are separated by semicolons.

Property: Properties are keywords used in style rules.

Syntax : Selector{ property:value; }

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style rule/declaration
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3.1.1 Different selectors in CSS

3.1.1.1 Universal selector: The style rule will be applicable to all the elements in the web page. It uses the * symbol in place of tag element.

Syntax: *{ property:value;}

Eg.*{ color: white;}

3.1.1.2 Type selector: It uses the tag name as selector. The style rule given for all the occurrences of that selector tag in the web page.

Syntax : Selector { property:value;}

Eg. P{ color: white;}

3.1.1.3 Class selector: Apply style rule to the desired element in the web page. Here the dot symbol is used before the class selector name.

Syntax: .classname{ property:value;} Eg. .bgcolor{ color: white;}

3.1.1.4 ID selector: These selectors are used to apply a style rule only to a single element in the webpage. Here the # symbol is used before the ID selector name.

Syntax: #IDname{ property:value;} Eg. #bgcolor{ color: white;}

4. Ways to add CSS to a web page

4.1 Inline style sheet: The 'STYLE' attribute is used inside the HTML tag. Properties and values are used directly to the attribute.

Eg : This is a paragraph.

4.2 Internal style sheet: Style rules are included between<STYLE></STYLE> tags directly placed inside the <HEAD> tag section of an HTML page.

Eg: <HEAD> <STYLE> P {color:red;} </STYLE> </HEAD>

4.3 External style sheet: Style rules are saved as a separate file (.css).

This file is attached to the HTML page using the <LINK> tag.

Eg: <HEAD> <LINK rel="stylesheet"href="mystyle.css"></HEAD>

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