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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
Learning Tools and Reference Material

Links to Video Tutorials:
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjy4tHhZaweW1OwKbvLatylP-QTd91Zf
Many more are available – search “dreamweaver video tutorials”

Links to Web Tutorial sites:
https://helpx.adobe.com/in/dreamweaver/user-guide.html
For more – search “dreamweaver tutorials” or “dreamweaver help”
Or, search on a particular subject - example: “dreamweaver code hints”

Examples of Web Tutorials on specific subjects:

Templates – how to use Dreamweaver templates to design a “fixed” page layout

Sites – set a Dreamweaver site and use the Manage Sites dialog box
Books on Dreamweaver and Website Creation:

There are many books available through Curry Public Library to help you learn HTML and CSS.

Here is a link with search results for books on HTML:
https://goldbeach.catalog.coastlinelibraries.org/Union/Search?searchSource=local&basicType=Keyword&q=html

Here is a link with search results for books on CSS:
https://goldbeach.catalog.coastlinelibraries.org/Union/Search?view=list&showCovers=on&lookfor=CSS&searchIndex=Keyword&searchSource=local

There are many books available to purchase to help you learn to use Adobe Dreamweaver, as well as HTML and CSS. Here are a few examples (with links to purchase from Amazon):

Adobe Dreamweaver Classroom in a Book (2022)
https://www.amazon.com/Adobe-Dreamweaver-Classroom-Book
Learn Adobe Dreamweaver CC for Web Authoring

https://www.amazon.com/Learn-Adobe-Dreamweaver-Web-Authoring

A Smarter Way to Learn HTML & CSS

Responsive Web Design with HTML5 and CSS
https://www.amazon.com/Responsive-Web-Design-HTML5-CSS

CSS Secrets: Better Solutions to Everyday Web Design Problems
https://www.amazon.com/CSS-Secrets-Solutions-Everyday-Problems
PUBLISHING YOUR WEB SITE:

- To publish your site (make it available on the web) you need to have a registered Domain ($10-$25 per year) and Website Hosting ($5-$250 per month)
- A Domain has a **Name** and an **Extension** (name.ext)
  - Examples: amazon.com, curypubliclibrary.org
- Top Level Domain (TLD) extensions:
  - .com (most common, your preferred domain name may not be available for this extension)
  - .net (implies network and/or technology)
  - .org (implies non-profit)
  - .co (implies for profit company)
  - .site (generic)
  - .art (implies creative endeavor)
  - [https://www.domain.com/domains/new-domain-extensions](https://www.domain.com/domains/new-domain-extensions) to see full list (thousands)
- Website Hosting includes:
  - Space on host web server
    - File transfer method that you can use to upload your files (ftp - File Transfer Protocol - is typical)
    - Personalized email (**name@domain.ext**) is typically included. May not be needed if you have used another email for some time.
- Many companies offer a full package – Domain Registration, Site Hosting, Email Hosting, Administrative Tools, etc.

Small local companies tend to be less expensive, may provide more personalized care, may be more responsive when support is needed, but may not have skills/resources that a larger company offers.
Domain Registration and Web Hosting:

Available Top Level Domain (TLD) extensions – .com, .org, etc.
https://www.domain.com/domains/new-domain-extensions

Established Domain Registration and Web Hosting – $$

Network Solutions - large, well established, Domain Registration (and more)
https://www.networksolutions.com/

Forbes Recommendations – list of well-established Domain/Hosting companies

Local Web Hosting – Gold Beach and Brookings

Our Webmaster - https://www.ourwebmaster.com/ - (Gold Beach)
Web Dog Hosting - https://webdoghosting.net/ - (Brookings)
Design! By Kiltz - https://designbykiltz.com/ - (Brookings)

VALIDATE YOUR CODE

In addition to code validation available in Dreamweaver, there are external sites that provide validation tools, such as these - provided by W3C:

- W3C HTML validation
  https://validator.w3.org/#validate_by_input
- W3C CSS validation
  https://jigsaw.w3.org/css-validator/
Searching online for help with Web Page Development:

As you develop your web sites you will encounter situations where you know the results you want, but not how to code it, or the best practice, or the available options, etc. Here is a tip for getting answers to web design questions:

**Use clear key words and precede the question with the code type.**

*Example:* Suppose you want information about HTML elements to use for a block of code that is intended to contain a set of NAVIGATION buttons. A possible query could be:

```
html navigation container
```

This query is short, starts with `html` (the code type), and contains the key words `navigation` (the content function) and `container` (the element category).

The results offer recommendations from two of the most trusted web development resources (among many more):

**W3C Schools**
https://www.w3schools.com/tags/tag_nav.asp

and **Mozilla Developer Network**

*Example:* Suppose you want to know how to use CSS to make the contents of an element appear centered in the browser window. A concise query could be:

```
css center element contents
```

This query is short, starts with `css` (the code type), and contains the key words `center` (the intended result) and `element contents` (what to center).

The results from **W3C** (one of many results) are:
https://www.w3.org/Style/Examples/007:center.en.html