

Common CSS properties?

Here's a list of the most commonly used CSS properties & their values (via <http://www.w3schools.com/css>):

Text

Property	Description	Values	Examples	Notes
color	sets color of text	Hex values or color names	<pre>p { color: #0699b4;} p { color: blue;}</pre>	Finding hex values: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use Photoshop• Use Firebug to inspect elements from favorite websites• Use http://adobe.kuler.com
text-align	aligns text	left right center justify	<pre>p { text-align: right;}</pre>	
text-decoration	add decoration to text	none underline, etc.	<pre>a { text-decoration: none;}</pre>	
text-transformation	controls letters	none capitalize uppercase lowercase	<pre>h2 { text-transformation: uppercase;}</pre>	
line-height	sets distance between lines	% or px	<pre>p { line-height: 18px;} p { line-height: 150%;}</pre>	
letter-spacing	sets the distance between characters	normal or px value	<pre>h1 {letter-spacing: 1px;}</pre>	

Font

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font-family	sets the font family of the text	font or font family name	p { font-family: "Times New Roman", Times, serif;}	for other font families visit: http://www.w3schools.com/css/css_websafe_fonts.asp
font-size	sets the size of the text	values in px or em	h3 { font-size: 18px; } h3 { font-size: 1.1em; }	<p>"em" is a relative value (decimal values are ok to use)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1: same size as the current/parent element's font size • 2: double the size of the current/parent element's font size • 0.5: half the size of the current/parent element's font size
font-style	sets the text style	normal italic oblique	h2 { font-style: italic; }	
font-weight	sets the weight of a font	normal bold bolder lighter, etc.	a { font-weight: bold; }	

Background

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background-color	sets the color of an element's background	hex color values or color names	body { background-color: #ffffff; }
background-image	sets an image as a background	image url	body { background-image: url ('images/red-dots.jpg'); }
background-repeat	specifies if/how a background image should be repeated	repeat repeat-x repeat-y no-repeat	body { background-repeat: repeat-x; } body { background: url ('images/red-dots.jpg') no-repeat; }
background-position	sets the starting position of a background image	left top right bottom center top center center, etc.	body { background-position: left top; } body { background: url ('images/red-dots.jpg') no-repeat left top; }

Lists

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list-style-type	specifies the bullet style	circle square upper roman disc, etc.	ul { list-style-type: square;}

Other

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margin	clears an area around an element (outside of the border)	px value	<p>p {margin: 10px;} = top, right, bottom & left margins are 10px</p> <p>p {margin: 10px 5px;} =top & bottom margins are 10px and left & right margins are 5px</p> <p>p {margin: 10px 15px 20px;} = top margin is 10px, left & right margins are 15px and bottom margins 20px</p> <p>p {margin: 10px 0 15px 2px;} = top margin is 10px, right margin is 0px, bottom margin is 15px & left margin is 2px</p> <p>p {margin-top: 15px;} also margin-left, margin-right, margin-bottom</p>
padding	clears an area around an element (inside of the border)	px value	follows same order as margins, see above <ul style="list-style-type: none">• p {padding: 10px;} • p {padding: 10px 5px;}

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • p {padding: 10px 15px 20px;} • p {padding: 10px 0 15px 20px;} • p {padding-top: 10px;}
border	specifies the type of border (could also be set to 'none')	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • color <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ hex value or name • style <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ solid ○ dashed ○ dotted, etc. • left, right, top, bottom 	img {border-color: #cccccc;} img {border-style: solid;} h2 { border-bottom: 1px;} h3 { border-bottom: 1px solid #cccccc;}img {border: none;}
float	specifies whether an box should float	right left center none	img {float: left;}
clear	no floating allowed to the specific side of an element	right left both	#wrap {clear: both;}