
EXERCISE 3.1 – CREATING AND LINKING A CSS DOCUMENT

In this Exercise, you will create CSS document and link it to a Web page. You will also make some editing changes.

Note: You will need to have completed Exercise 2.2 to proceed.

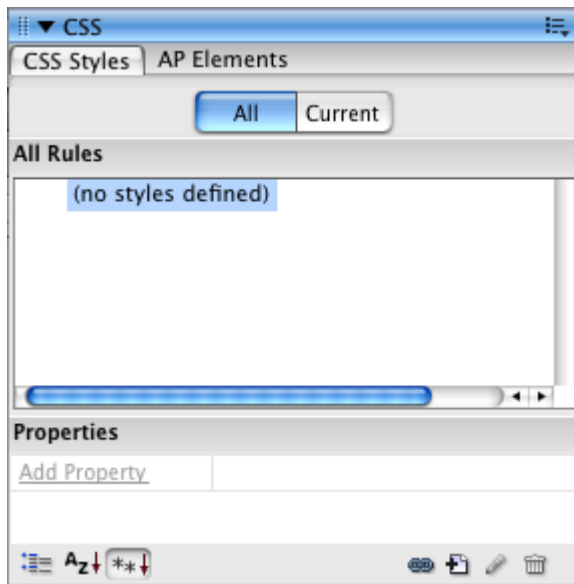
PART 1. CREATING A CSS DOCUMENT

1. Be sure Dreamweaver is running
 - a. In the **Files** Control Panel, be sure the "Tea Castle" Site is visible
 - i. If not, click **Site > Manage Sites...**
 - ii. Select "Tea Castle" from the list of sites
 1. If you do not see "Tea Castle", refer to Exercise 2.1, Part 3, then skip to step 2 in this exercise
 - iii. Click **Done**
2. From the Dreamweaver menu, click **File > New**
 - a. This will open the "New Document" window
3. From the left-hand column, click **Blank Page**
4. From the "Page Type:" column, click **CSS**
5. Click **Create**
6. Notice that this creates a window called "Untitled-1"
 - a. If you have opened other pages, the window may be called "Untitled-2", or "Untitled-98", depending on how many pages you've created since opening Dreamweaver
7. Click **File > Save**.
8. In the "Save As:" field, name your file "jabberwocky.css"
9. Be sure the "Where:" field shows your Web site's root folder ("wwwroot")
10. Leave all other fields as their defaults
11. Click **Save**
12. "jabberwocky.css" should now show up in your **Files** Control Panel

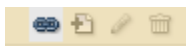
PART 2. LINKING THE CSS DOCUMENT

13. Open the "Jabberwocky.html" file
 - a. Either double-click the file in the **Files** Control Panel
 - b. Or use the **File > Open** menu

14. Expand the **CSS** Control Panel by clicking the arrow next to the title "CSS"



15. Click on the **Attach Style Sheet** icon at the bottom-right of the panel



- a. This opens the **Attach External Style Sheet** dialog box
16. Click the **Browse...** button
17. Locate the "jabberwocky.css" file you made in Part 1.
18. Click on this file
19. Click the **Choose** button
20. Click the **OK** button
21. Click **File > Save All**

PART 3. ADDING SOME STYLE

In this section you will add a little style to the Jabberwocky.html page.

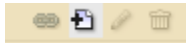
22. Be sure the "Jabberwocky.html" page is open

- a. If not, refer to step 13 above

23. Click the **Design View** button

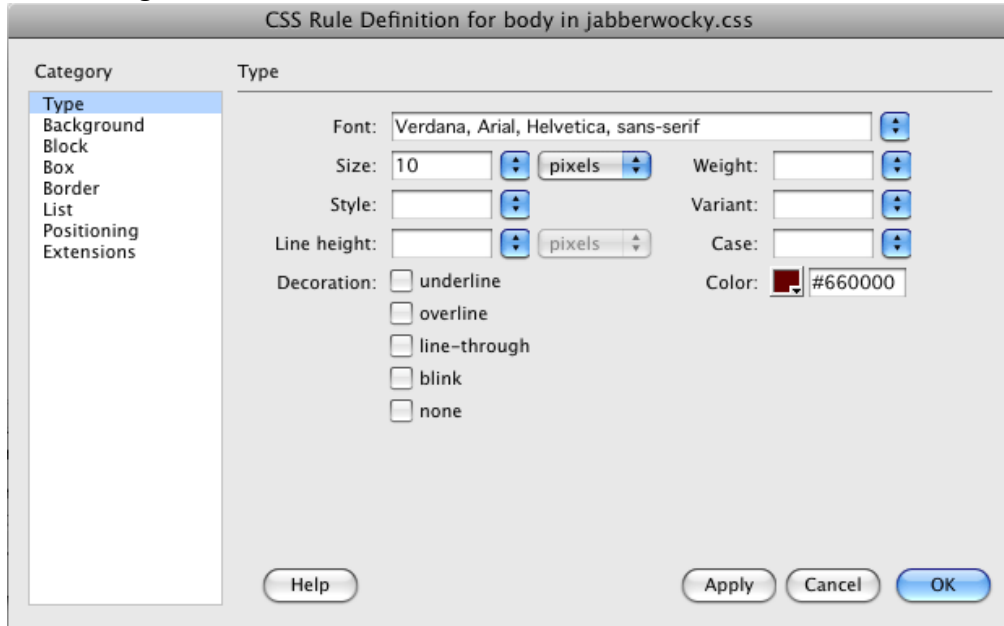


24. In the **CSS** Control Panel, click the **New CSS Rule** icon



25. This opens up the **New CSS Rule** dialog box
26. Under "Selector Type:" choose "Tag (redefines the look of a specific tag)"
27. In the "Tag:" drop-down, choose or type "body"
28. Be sure that the "Define in:" field displays "jabberwocky.css", and that it is selected
29. Click the **OK** button
30. This opens up the **CSS Rule Definition** dialog box

31. From the "Category" listing (on the left of the dialog box), choose **Type**
32. From the "Font" drop-down, choose "Verdana, Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif"
33. In the "Size:" field, type or choose "10"
 - a. Make sure that the unit selector next to "Size:" says "pixels"
34. Next, click on the empty, tan box next to the "Color:" field
 - a. This brings up the Color Selector
 - b. Choose a dark color for the text, other than black, such as #660000
 - i. You can choose a color by using the eyedropper to click a color box
35. Your dialog box should look similar to this



36. Click the **OK** button
37. Note that this made changes to the "jabberwocky.css" file, which must be saved
 - a. Click **File > Save All**