

HTML5 Semantic Elements

What Is Semantic HTML?

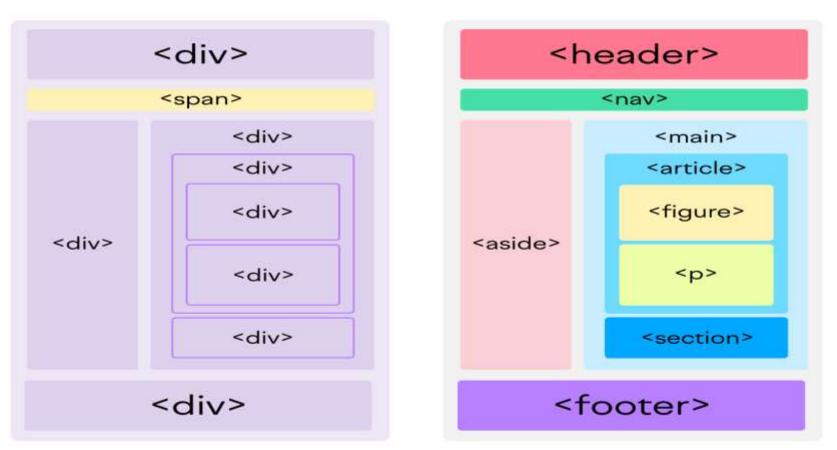
- Semantic HTML, also known as semantic markup, refers to the use of HTML tags that convey the meaning—or semantics—of the content contained within them.
- By adding semantic HTML tags to your pages, you provide additional information that helps define the roles and relative importance of the different parts of your page.
- As opposed to non-semantic HTML, which uses tags that don't directly convey meaning.



What Is Semantic HTML?

Non-Semantic HTML

Semantic HTML





What Are Semantic HTML Tags?

- Semantic HTML tags are tags that define the meaning of the content they contain.
- For example, tags like <header>, <article>, and <footer> are semantic HTML tags.
- They clearly indicate the role of the content they contain.

Types -HTML semantic tags for structure

- Many semantic HTML tags communicate the layout of a page.
- These "structural" tags were introduced when HTML4 got upgraded to HTML5. That's why they're also commonly known as semantic HTML5 tags or semantic HTML5 elements.
- <header>: The header tag defines content that should be considered the introductory information of a page or section
- <nav>: The navigation tag is used for navigation links. It can be nested within the <header> tag
- <main>: This tag contains the main content (also called the body) of a page. There should be only one tag per page.
- **<article>**: The article tag defines content that could stand independently of the page or site it's on.

HTML semantic tags for structure

- <section>: Using <section> is a way of grouping nearby content of a similar theme.
- <aside>: An aside element defines content that's less important. It's often used for sidebars—areas that add complementary but nonessential information.
- **<footer>**: You use <footer> at the bottom of a page. It usually includes contact information, copyright information, and some site navigation.

Types -HTML semantic tags for Text

- The semantic HTML tags for text are HTML tags that—besides the formatting—also convey the semantic function of the text they contain.
- <h1> (heading): The <u>H1 tag</u> marks the top level heading. There's usually only one H1 heading per page.
- <h2> to <h6> (subheadings): The subheadings of various levels of importance. There can be multiple headings of the same level on a single page.

Types -HTML semantic tags for Text

- (paragraph): A standalone paragraph of text.
- <a> (anchor): Used to mark up a hyperlink from one page to another.
- (ordered list): A list of items that are displayed in a particular order, starting with bullet points. One (list item) tag contains a single item in the list.