

Web Terms

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Byte

- Unit of measurement for digital information.
- Want files/stories/images as small as possible (without sacrificing quality)
- Larger files take longer to download/open.
 - Try to keep attachments under 1 MB

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Web Terms

- CMS: Content Management System
 - Online publishing system/software used to organize online content
- CPM: Cost Per Thousand (Mille)
 - Standard unit of measurement for Web advertising rates.

Web Terms

- URL: Uniform Resource Locator*
 - Address/link
 - i.e. www.mariaburnsortiz.com
- HTML: HyperText Markup Language*
 - Basic coding for formatting text, inserting media, links
 - Bold, italic, link text, image formatting
- HTTP: HyperText Transfer Protocol
 - Indicates information is accessed via Web
 - Specific software (Web browsers)
 - Chrome, Firefox, Explorer, etc.

* Knowing the concept is more important than knowing what the abbreviation represents.

Web Terms

- **CSS: Cascading Style Sheets***
 - Coding for look of the site.
 - Color, font, size
- **IP: Internet Protocol***
 - Unique, numeric identity of a Web-server location.
 - Basically a numeric version of URL
- **API: Application Programming Interface***
 - How computer programs communciate/share data with each other.

Web Terms

- FTP: File Transfer Protocol*
 - Way to share/move file from one computer to another.
 - Used to share/send large files.
 - Like Web sites (HTTP) specific software programs used for FTP.
 - I.e.FileZilla, Fetch

RSS

- Real Simple Syndication
- Subscribe to an information feed that gets delivered directly to an RSS reader or Web browser.
 - Subscribe to blogs, news sites, sections, Google alerts
- You don't need to find the news. The news will find you.

RSS

- Journalists can track dozens of feeds, then run searches of those feeds.
- Illustrated by this symbol.



XML

- Extensible Markup Language
- XML allows the author to define his/her own tags and his/her own document structure.
- Complements HTML
 - HTML tags communicate how info should look (bold, italic, etc.)
 - Tags are predefined
 - XML tags communicate info data contains
 - Author defines tags

Web Iterations

- Web 1.0 - You access/get content on the Web. Content downloads to your browser, you read it.
- Web 2.0 - User participation. Not only accessing content, but interacting with it and creating it.
 - Blogging, forums, wiki, social media, RSS, etc.
 - You didn't need to have a site/be a developer to contribute

Web Iterations

- Web 3.0 - Also referred to as semantic Web.
- From Journalism Next:
Classifying information by its content instead of its structure enables people to search for information more intuitively.
- Poynter:
A vision of the web that is almost entirely machine readable, in which documents are published in languages that are designed specifically for data

Web Iterations

(Web 3.0 continued)

- Computers will share information with each other to produce results specific to the user.
- Allows multiple programs to communicate with each other.
- More personalized Web experience. More user friendly.
 - iGoogle, social media integration