

Using an HTML Editor

There are a number of free HTML Editors available for download on the internet. The example here is Alleycode – a nice programme and others are similar – but you may find one you like better.

Install Alleycode, then open it. When Alley code opens you will see “Help”. Wow! And you thought this would be difficult!

Click on Help / Help Topics. You can work your way through at whatever rate you want, or just go to the Quick Start Tutorial. If you want to jump in at the deep end, then do. You are building a website, there is nothing to be frightened about. If you make a mistake you can change it. If you are uncertain about a particular action then look through the Help Files.

Ready to begin?

Click on File / New / File / Save as “index.html” inside the folder “My Website”. This is now your Home Page and it looks similar to HTML code you learned about earlier.

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<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.0
Transitional//EN">
<html>
<head>
<title> Your Title Here </title>
<meta name="Generator" content="Alleycode HTML Editor">
<meta name="Description" content="Your description here...">
<meta name="Keywords" content="Your keywords here...">
</head>

<body>

</body>
</html>
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Where it says “Your title here” put in your title e.g. <title> The Smith Family Web Site </title>

Ignore generator. Put in your Description e.g. <meta name="Description" content=" This is the Web Site of the amazing Smith Family."> Keywords <meta name="Keywords" content=" Smith, family, etc, etc,"> each separated by a comma.

Congratulations, you have just completed the meta-tags that allow your web site to be crawled by search engines. Most people are not able to do this, so you are winning already. To be really effective

with search engines tailor each page's meta-tags to match the content of the page.

Now you can begin building your page.

Click under <body>

Click on Insert / HTML Tags / HTML Library

Double click on h1 and the tags are inserted in the document.

Between the hi tags type "Our Family Website"

Save your page.

Open your browser, (Internet Explorer) Click on File / Open / Browse and locate index.html within you're "My Website" folder. Open it and you will see your first web page.



You will find it useful to keep your browser open and each time you save a change to use the refresh button to view the results. When you add new pages you can check the links too. Check the whole site carefully on your own computer before uploading it.

You are welcome to print this off for personal use

- but it is still mine!

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