

# Interactive Tools for Teaching Web Design

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# Web Page for Program

#### **Online Tools for Teaching Web Design**





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# **Interactive Tools**

ΤοοΙ	URL	Description
Glitch	glitch.com	HTML/CSS editor with preview
CSS Diner	flukeout.github.io	32-level game to teach CSS selectors
Flexbox Froggy	flexboxfroggy.com	24-step game to teach CSS flexible box layout
Grid Garden	cssgridgarden.com	28-level game to teach CSS grid layout
Scratch	scratch.mit.edu	Modular game and animation programming interface



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**Glitch is the friendly** place where everyone builds the web. Start a new blog, play with React, or build new worlds with WebXR.

### 🚝 Glitch

index.html

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## **Benefits of Glitch**

- Free
- Friendly interface
- Share code easily
- Remix code
- Preview pane and window



"The website we used Glitch.com was super useful in having a quick and accessible coding program to work in."

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### "I like that glitch is a free resource because it was very easy to use and learn from."

Scratch



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## Snail Maker

Use the arrows to customize your snuggly snail!







# **Benefits of Scratch**

- Intro computational thinking
- Problem solving skills
- Beginner friendly
- Collaborative
- Robust documentation



**CSS Diner** 





### Select the plates



CSS	Editor		HTML Viewer	
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	{ /* Styles would go here. */ }	enter	<pre>1 <div class="table"> 2 <plate></plate> 3 <plate></plate> 4 </div> 5 6 7 8 9 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18</pre>	

#### **Type Selector**

Selects all elements of type A . Type refers to the type of tag, so <div> , and are

#### Examples

div selects all <div> elements.

p selects all elements.

#### created by @flukeout

### Level 1 of 32 🗸

### **Type Selector**

Select elements by their type

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Selects all elements of type A . Type refers to the type of tag, so <div> , and are all different element types.

#### Examples

div selects all <div> elements.

p selects all elements.

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<ul><li>✓ 4</li></ul>	A B			
✓ 5	#id A			
<b>√</b> 6	.classname			
✓ 7	A.className			
<b>√</b> 8	Put your back into it!			
<b>√</b> 9	А, В			
✓ 10				
<ul> <li>✓ 11</li> </ul>	A *			
✓ 12	A + B			
<ul><li>✓ 13</li></ul>	A ~ B			
✓ 14	A > B			

# **Benefits of CSS Diner**

- Easy onramp to new concept
- Visualizes selectors
- Minimize frustration
- Engaging



# Flexbox Froggy

### FLEXBOX FROGGY

Level 12 of 24 🗸



Help the frogs find their lilypads using flex-direction and justify-content.





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### **FLEXBOX FROGGY**

Level 1 of 24 🔫

Welcome to Flexbox Froggy, a game where you help Froggy and friends by writing CSS code! Guide this frog to the lilypad on the right by using the <u>justify-content</u> property, which aligns items horizontally and accepts the following values:

- flex-start: Items align to the left side of the container.
- flex-end: Items align to the right side of the container.
- center: Items align at the center of the container.
- space-between: Items display with equal spacing between them.
- space-around: Items display with equal spacing around them.

For example, justify-content: flex-end; will move the frog to the right.





# **Benefits of Flexbox Froggy**

- Friendly intro to flex
- Visualizes flexbox properties
- Minimize frustration
- Rewarding



Grid Garden

### **GRID GARDEN**

Welcome to Grid Garden, where you write CSS code to grow your carrot garden! Water only the areas that have carrots by using the grid-column-start property.

For example, grid-column-start: 3; will water the area starting at the 3rd vertical grid line, which is another way of saying the 3rd vertical border from the left in the grid.





### **GRID GARDEN**

**(**) Level 1 of 28 🗸

Welcome to Grid Garden, where you write CSS code to grow your carrot garden! Water only the areas that have carrots by using the grid-column-start property.

For example, grid-column-start: 3; will water the area starting at the 3rd vertical grid line, which is another way of saying the 3rd vertical border from the left in the grid.

```
#garden {
 display: grid;
 grid-template-columns: 20% 20% 20% 20%;
 grid-template-rows: 20% 20% 20% 20%;
#water {
```



# **Benefits of Grid Garden**

- Friendly intro to grid
- Visualizes grid properties
- Minimize frustration
- Rewarding



Questions?



Scratch: Founded by Mitchel Resnick and David Siegel

Glitch: Anil Dash, CEO

**CSS Diner**: Created by Luke Pacholski

Flexbox Froggy: Created by Thomas Park

Grid Garden: Created by Thomas Park

# Thank you

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