

Chapter 8: Demystifying Basic CSS and XHTML

Creating Blockquote Text

As you might have noticed, the paragraph you typed in the preceding section leaves readers dangling. You can solve that by inserting a block quote below the existing paragraph. But before you enter the block quote, you need to define the **blockquote** style in the **styles_presentation.css** file. To save readers from dangling, follow these steps:

1. Open your **presentation** style sheet in your text editor, click under the **dropcap** class, and press ENTER.

2. Type the following style:

```
blockquote { color: #952C29; }
```

3. Save your work, and then open **index.html** in your text editor.
4. In the **centercolumn** area, click after **...you know what they say:</p>**, and then press ENTER twice.
5. Press TAB, and then type the following text (note that the text includes an HTML entity for the em dash):

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<blockquote>Would Paul Revere's ride be famous if he  
just shot off a few e-mails? Nay&mdash'tis  
unthinkable!</blockquote>
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<blockquote>Would Jack Kerouac's <em>On the  
Road</em> be a cult classic if all he did was surf  
the net? No way, man!</blockquote>
```

6. Save your work.
7. Preview index.html in your browser window.