Chapter 10: Swimming Deeper into Web Waters with Word and XML

Walkthrough Extras

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Easy Web Design's Chapter 10 walkthrough shows you how to create a Web site using Microsoft Word and XML data.

Up to this point in the walkthrough, you've been pretty busy formatting hyperlinks and text, so we've decided to cut you a break here. We assume you've used Word before, so there's no dire need to rehash the wonders of typing and formatting text. With that thought in mind, we developed all the content for the Web site, and you presumably downloaded the text documents at the beginning of the Chapter 10 walkthrough. Therefore, adding content described in these online steps will just be a matter of:

- Importing text
- Adding images
- Creating print, mailto, and standard links

After you've added this basic content, you'll be ready to move on to the XML portion of *Easy Web Design's* Chapter 10 walkthrough.

You can access each walkthrough extra using the links in this page's left navigation area. Each extra presents the online steps and a print option so you can follow along online or refer to a hard copy printout. You can also **print all Chapter 10 walkthrough extras in one document** (<u>doc</u> :: <u>pdf</u>).

Inserting Basic Text

When you create Web sites in Word, you can insert text in all the typical ways—typing, pasting, importing, and so forth. To add the text we've prepared for you, follow these steps:

- In the C:\scuba folder, right-click index.htm, click Open With, and then click Microsoft Office Word.
- Click below the gray home page identifier in the upper-left area of the page.
- Click File on the Insert menu, and then double-click home_text.doc to insert the text.
- 4. Save the index.htm file.
- Click the Open button on the Standard toolbar, and open feature.htm in Word.
- 6. Click below the gray feature page identifier in the upper-left area of the page, click File on the Insert menu, double-click feature_text.doc, and then save feature.htm.
- Click the Open button on the Standard toolbar, and open contact.htm in Word.

 Click below the gray contact page identifier in the upper-left area of the page, click File on the Insert menu, double-click contact_text.doc, and then save and close contact.htm.

Inserting Images

You've already inserted images in the title area's table. In this section, you insert two pictures on the home page (index.htm):

- 1. Display the walkthrough Web site's index.htm page in Word.
- Click before the word *Coral* in the first paragraph, click Insert, click
 Picture, and click From File.
- In the Insert Picture dialog box, open the C:\scuba\images folder, and double-click the coral.jpg file.
- 4. Right-click the coral.jpg picture, and then click Format Picture.
- In the Format Picture dialog box, click the Layout tab, click the Square option, click Right to align the picture along the right side of the page, and then click OK.
- Click before the word We're in the first paragraph below the Dive with Us heading.
- Click Insert, click Picture, click From File, and then double-click diver.jpg.

- 8. Right-click the **diver.jpg** picture, click **Format Picture**, click the **Layout** tab, click the **Square** icon, click **Right** to right-align the picture, and then click **OK**.
- 9. Scroll down and delete most of the extra space between the home page text and the footer information.
- 10. Save index.htm.
- Close index.htm, and then preview the Web page in your browser window. The following figure displays the entire finished home page.



Previewing the finished home page

Now that the home page is complete, we should turn to the Feature and Contact pages. Basically, the content that you added to the Feature and Contact pages requires some hyperlink-related attention.

The next three extras show you how to add a print version link to the feature article page, add a hyperlink from the feature article to its related gallery (gallery_nudi.htm), and add a *mailto link* to the Contact page.

lingo A *mailto link* hyperlink is a link that automatically opens a preaddressed blank e-mail message when a user clicks the link. Mailto links are commonly used to provide an easy way to contact an organization or a Webmaster.

Adding a Print Version Link

A print version link helps readers access a page that's printer friendly. Usually, *printer friendly* means that the current page opens in a new window with a white background, no elaborate pictures, and no pale fonts.

From this walkthrough's structural point of view, the print version link opens the feature article as a Word document in a new window. We already provided the text document (feature_text.doc) that you downloaded at the beginning of the walkthrough; your job is to format the link:

tip When you upload Web pages that contain print version links, you must also upload the linked documents along with your Web site files.

- 1. Display feature.htm in Word.
- 2. Select the *print version* text below the **Nudibranchs** heading, and then press CTRL+K to open the **Insert Hyperlink** dialog box.
- Click the ScreenTip button, type Print This Article, and then click OK. The ScreenTip text displays when visitors point to the hyperlink without clicking it.
- 4. Click the Target Frame button, click New Window in the Set Target Frame dialog box, and then click OK. Choosing *New Window* as a target frame means that a new browser window will open when visitors click the hyperlink. If you don't specify an action, the hyperlink opens the targeted page in the same window.
- 5. In the Insert Hyperlink dialog box, double-click feature_text.doc to set the link address, and then save your changes.

tip Keep in mind that whenever you create hyperlinks, you must enter uppercase and lowercase letters in file names accurately. Some servers are case-sensitive. If you enter the name of a linked page inaccurately, you'll end up with a broken link on your Web site. Therefore, we recommend clicking the file names of the Web pages you've created in the Insert Hyperlink dialog box rather than retyping them in whenever possible to avoid errors.

Linking to an Ancillary Page

Notice the text at the top of your walkthrough's Feature page—*Nudibranch Gallery*. This text should link to the ancillary page gallery_nudi.htm. To format the link, follow these steps:

- 1. Display your **Feature** page in Word.
- Select the Nudibranch Gallery text, press CTRL+K to open the Insert Hyperlink dialog box, click the ScreenTip button, type View Nudibranchs, and then click OK.
- In the Insert Hyperlink dialog box, double-click the gallery_nudi.htm page, save your changes, and then close feature.htm.

Congratulations! you've now completed the Features page. On to the Contact page...

Creating a mailto Hyperlink

The last hyperlink to address in these walkthrough extras is the mailto hyperlink. Formatting a mailto hyperlink is very similar to inserting any other hyperlink. To add a mailto hyperlink to the Contact page, follow these steps:

tip In Word, if you type your e-mail address in a Web page, the text is automatically formatted as a mailto link. Visitors can click your e-mail address to open a blank message form.

- 1. Display your **Contact** page in Word.
- Scroll down, select the text please send us a note, and press CTRL+K to open the Insert Hyperlink dialog box.

- In the Link To section, click the E-mail Address icon. The Insert Hyperlink dialog box changes to show the mailto options.
- 4. Click the ScreenTip button, type Send us an e-mail message!, click OK, and then type your e-mail address in the E-mail address box. When you enter your e-mail address, Word precedes a newly created mailto hyperlink with the text mailto:, as shown in the following figure.

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Figure 10-21 Configuring a mailto link

5. Add a subject line if you want, such as **Coral Reef Divers**, and then click **OK**.

tip Adding subject line text to a mailto hyperlink can help you identify messages you receive from your Web site when they appear in your Inbox.

6. To test your mailto link, press CTRL, and then click the link.

tip Always check mailto hyperlinks after you create them to ensure that the e-mail message window shows your e-mail address and subject text properly.

While you're on the contact.htm page, you might as well jazz it up a tad by adding an image:

- 7. Click before the word Information below the Contact Us heading.
- Click Picture on the Insert menu, click From File, and double-click the nudibranch.jpg file.
- 9. To align the image, right-click the picture, click Format Picture, click the Square icon on the Layout tab, click Right for the horizontal alignment, and click OK.
- 10. Save your work, and then close the contact.htm file.

You've filled three pages with basic content. Excellent job! The remaining tasks for this walkthrough involve populating the gallery pages with images and information. You'll accomplish those tasks by importing XML data, as described in the remainder of Chapter 10 in the *Easy Web Design* book.