

How do we adapt?



SEPARATE MOBILE SITE

A separate website is designed specifically for mobile. Results in two code-bases with different functionality for each.



ADAPTIVE WEB DESIGN

Site adapts to the width of the browser at specific points. Only concerned about the browser being a specific width, at which point it adapts the layout.



RESPONSIVE WEB DESIGN

Site responds to the size of the browser at any given point. No matter what the browser width, the site adjusts its layout (and perhaps functionality) in a way that is optimized to the screen.

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"Rather than creating disconnected designs, each tailored to a particular device or browser, we should instead treat them as facets of the same experience. In other words, we can craft sites that are not only more flexible, but that can adapt to the media that renders them."

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Ingredients of Responsive Web Design

Responsive Website Design uses a single HTML code base for all platforms.

- 1. Flexible/Fluid Layouts
- 2. Flexible Images and Media
- 3. Media Queries



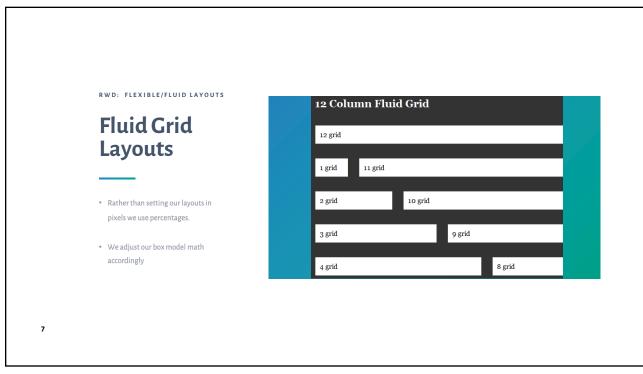
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RWD INGREDIENTS

Flexible/Fluid Layouts

- Fluid Grid Layouts
- Responsive Typography
- New CSS Features like Flexbox, Grid & advanced calc() functions

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Flexible
Typography

. We set type in percentages, em
units, or rem units

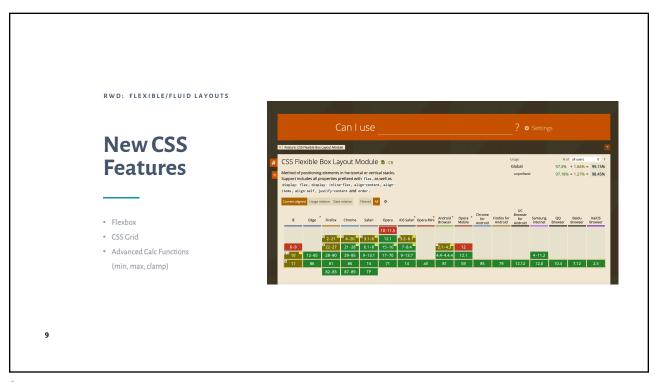
. Type adjusts relative to a flexible
baseline.

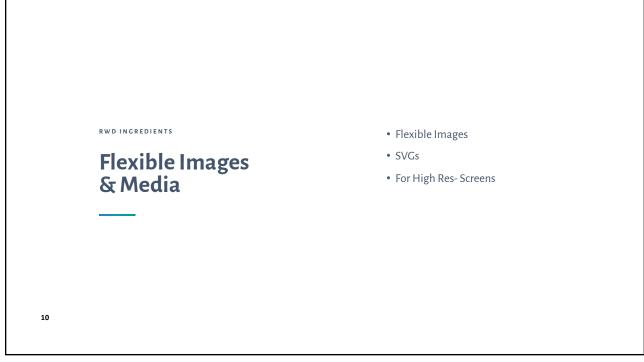
. Watch your line length for
readability.

. Adjust font size to be larger on
smaller screens

body {
font-size: 1000%; /* flexible baseline */
}

p {
font-size: 1.25em; /* 1.25em relative to 16px baseline */
}



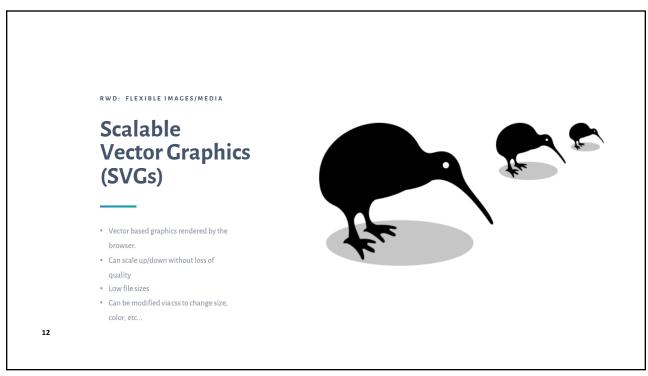


Flexible Images

Image widths are set to expand to fill the size of their container and maintain proportion.

Capture at highest resolution & let browser scale

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RWD: FLEXIBLE IMAGES/MEDIA

What about hi-res screens?

Some techniques use new HTML elements or attributes to account for multiple versions of the image to fit the correct resolution determined by the browser.

- <picture> element
- srcset attribute

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<picture>
 <source media="(min-width: 650px)" srcset="img_car_desktop.jpg"
 alt="Car" >
 <source media="(min-width: 465px)" srcset="img_car_mobile.jpg"
 alt="Car" >

 </picture>

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RWD INGREDIENTS

Media Queries

- What are Media Queries?
- Responsive Web Design Approaches
- Graceful Degradation vs Progressive Enhancement

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What are Media Queries?

Media Queries are a CSS3 module allowing content rendering to adapt to conditions such as screen resolution (e.g. smartphone screen vs. computer screen).

- max-width
- max-device-width
- · min-width
- min-device-width
- vw (viewport width)
- vh (viewport height)

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RWD: MEDIA QUERIES

Responsive Web Design Kittens



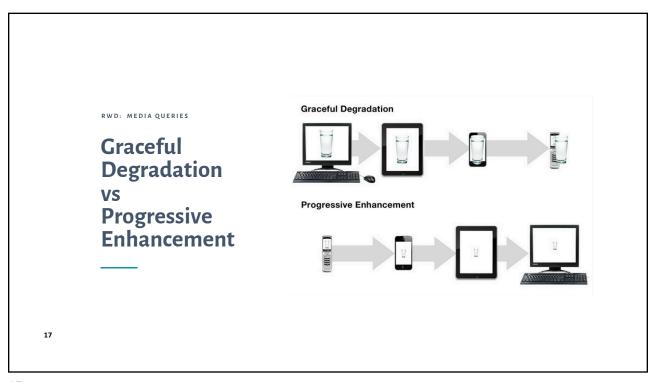




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Prefers
mobile-up

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Performance/Load times

Accessibility

Imagery

Scripts

Typography - web fonts, font stack fallbacks on devices (standard desktop typefaces not available on mobile)

Testing





"A successful responsive design bends, flexes, and breaks the right way to make the best use of the available space."

JAMIE NEELY, TYPECAST

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