

# Web Site Development

## AN INTRODUCTION

### Productivity – Building a 3 Page Site

#### Classic Horror Authors Web Site

In your travels around the World Wide Web you've likely noticed that most of the pages within a particular website all share a common layout. Besides being important for navigation purposes (the user quickly understands that the links, content, etc are always in the same place) it is also much simpler to develop a site using a common page structure for your HTML documents. This common structure can be thought of as a template. Once built, the developer only needs to change the content of that particular page.

Take for example, the Edgar Allan Poe page you previously created (CSS - Practice CSS Layouts). If you were to create a web site about Horror Authors, you could quickly add additional pages by inserting new author information in place of the Poe information. Specifically, you would need to change the image, change the bio text, add a list of stories, and finally a list of related links.

1. Create a new folder a name it "**horror\_authors**". Inside that folder create another folder and name it "**images**".
2. From the **CSS – Practice CSS Layouts** exercise, copy the **poe.html** into the **horror\_authors** folder you created in step 1.
3. From the **CSS – Practice CSS Layouts** exercise, copy the **poe.gif** into the **images** folder you created in step 1.
4. Now that the **poe.gif** file is not in the same relative location as the **poe.html** file you will need to edit the **src** value of the image tag. Change it from **src="poe.gif"** to **src="images/poe.gif"**  
This tells the browser to go into the images folder in the same relative location as the html file to locate the **poe.gif** image.
5. You will use the **poe.html** page as a template for the other two pages of the site.
6. Using the information here ([http://www.digitalvertebrae.com/webdev/horror/authors\\_info.htm](http://www.digitalvertebrae.com/webdev/horror/authors_info.htm)) create a page for Mary Shelley (**shelley.htm**) and Bram Stoker (**stoker.htm**)
7. Ensure you setup the navigation so that all three pages link together correctly.