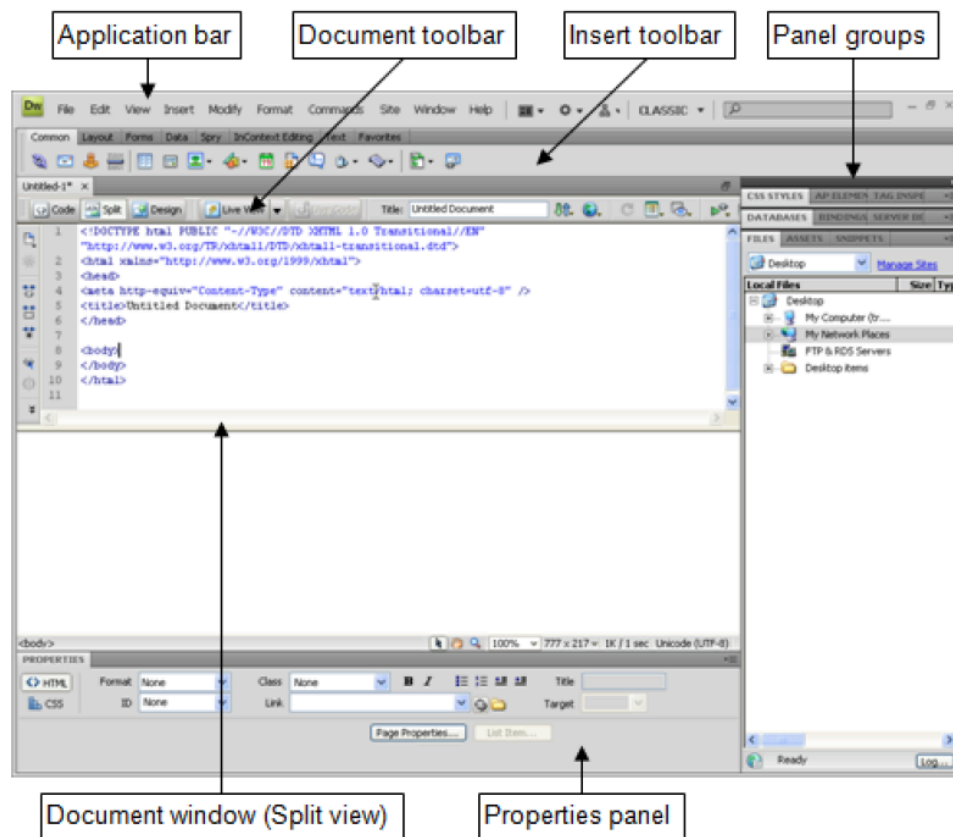


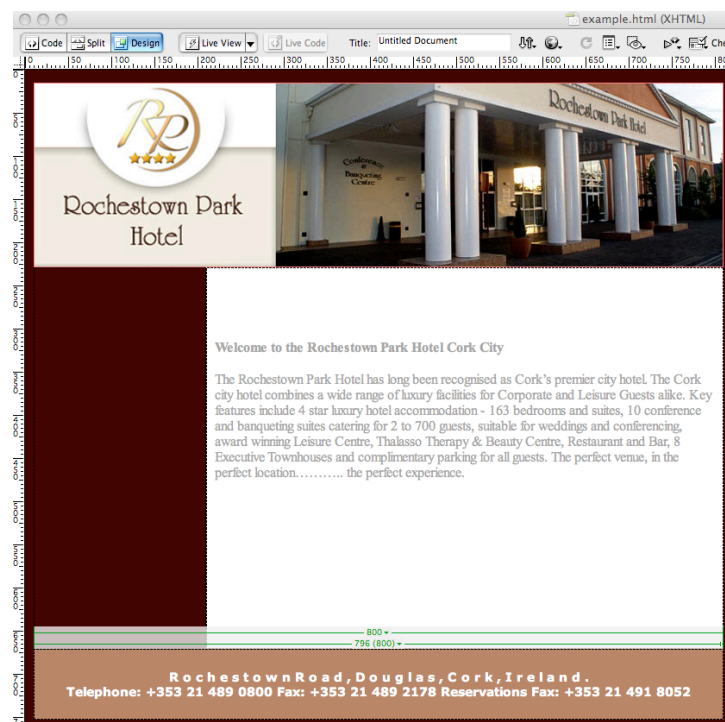
DREAMWEAVER RPH Tutorial Part 2

INTERFACE

A quick recap (below) on where everything is in the Dreamweaver Interface:



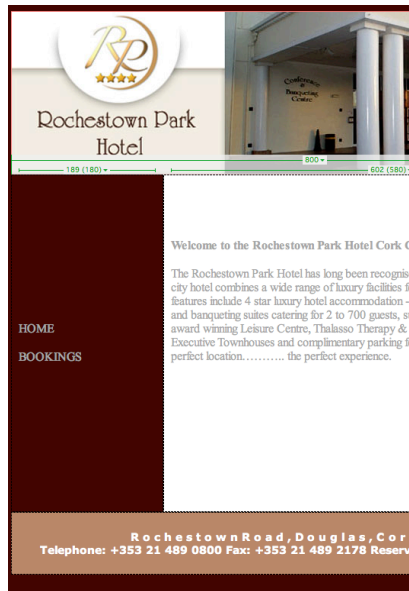
So far, we have constructed a layout which should look something like the picture below:



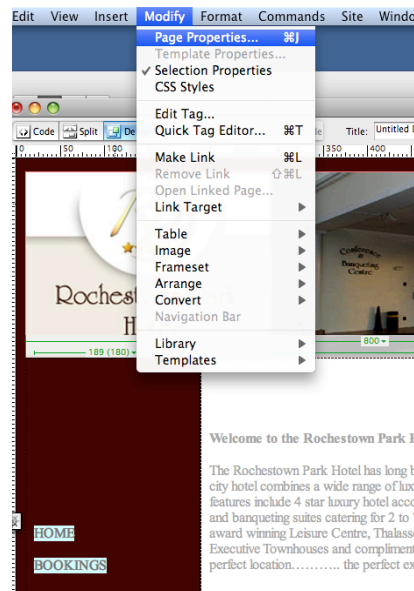
ADDING LINKS

Our next task is to add our first piece of interactivity: links. We take links for granted, we click and are taken where we expect to go but we need to organize our Navigation system carefully from the start.

We can turn almost anything into a link but the most common methods are using text or using graphics. To use Text we simply write in our links:

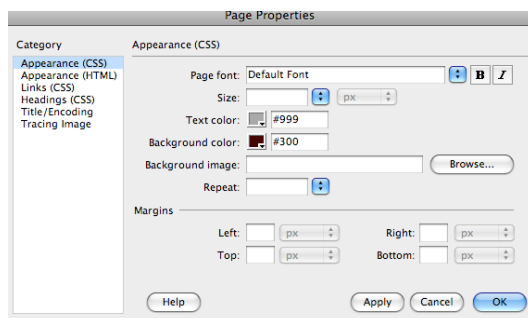


1. Text as links

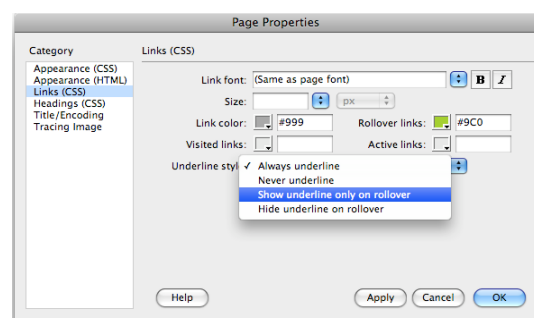


2. Modify > Page Properties

Then we choose Page Properties from the Modify menu. This allows us to set colours for Text and Background. (3.) If we move to Links (CSS), we can set colours for the **different states** of link. (4.) You are probably familiar with the fact that links change colour depending on whether they are clicked on or not. There are in fact 4 states and we can set colours for all or none of them as we choose.



3. Setting Text Colour



4. Setting Link Colour

We can also choose whether we want the links to be underlined and when.

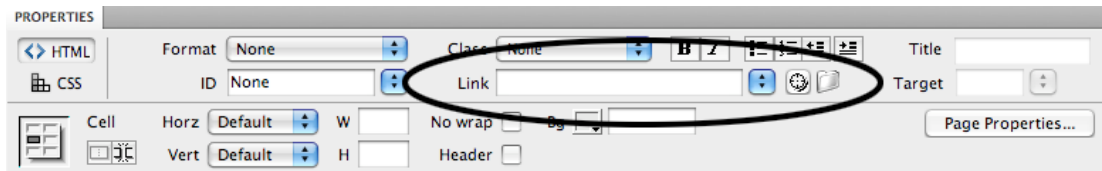
A hyperlink or link, is an object or text that, when clicked, takes the users to another webpage or opens a file. The various types of hyperlinks are explained below.

INTERNAL LINKS

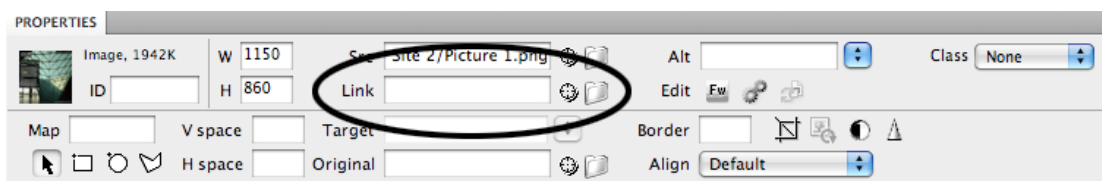
Internal links are used to connect users to other pages within the same website. Before linking to other pages, you must make sure that the other pages are saved in your **local root folder** and contain the file extension .htm or .html.

To create an internal link, follow these steps:

1. Select the text or image you would like to make a hyperlink.
2. Click on the small folder icon next to the **Link** field in the **Properties Inspector** (1 and 2).
3. Browse through the files, and select the page you would like to link.
4. Click **Choose**.



1. Text Property Inspector



2. Image Property Inspector

EXTERNAL LINKS

External links are used to connect the users to pages from other websites.

To create an external link, do the following:

1. Select a text or an image you want to make a hyperlink.
2. Click the cursor inside of the link text field in the **Properties Inspector**.
3. Type the complete URL (web address) of the website you want to link (e.g. <http://www.bgsu.edu>).
4. Select the **Target** type as **-blank**.

NOTE: If you select the **Target** type as **-blank**, it will open the link in a new window while keeping your website open in another window. Doing this is good practice because it will prevent the user from being frustrated and leaving your site.

LINKS TO FILES

Sometimes you may need to link a file such as a PDF, a Word document, or a PowerPoint presentation. When the user clicks the hyperlink, the files will either automatically open up in its original program, or the browser will prompt the user to save the file on their hard drive.

To create a link to a file, follow these steps:

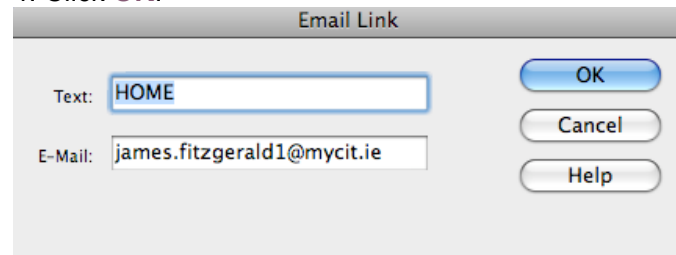
1. Make sure that the file you want to link is saved in your root folder.
2. Select a text or an image you would like to make a hyperlink.
3. Click on the small folder icon next to the **Link** field in the **Properties Inspector**.
4. Browse through the files, and select the file you would like to link.
5. Click **Choose**.
6. Select the **Target** type as **-blank**.

BASIC EMAIL LINK

E-mail links are links that will automatically open the user's default email program with a blank e-mail addressed to the specified e-mail link.

There are two ways to create an email link. You can:

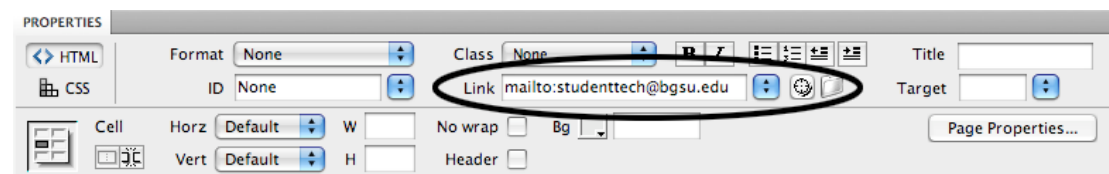
1. Click on the **Insert** menu at the top of the screen and select **Email Link**.
2. Type in text for the hyperlink name or label, for example: My Email or Click here to email me (3).
3. Type in your email address, i.e. where the email is to be sent.
4. Click **OK**.



3. E-Mail Link Window

OR, you can:

1. Select the text you want to be your email link.
2. In the **Properties** window in the **Links** field, type in mail to: yourusername@yoursite.com, or any other email address you want to use as your contact
3. Select **Target** type as **-blank**. **NOTE:** You can type in only one email address.

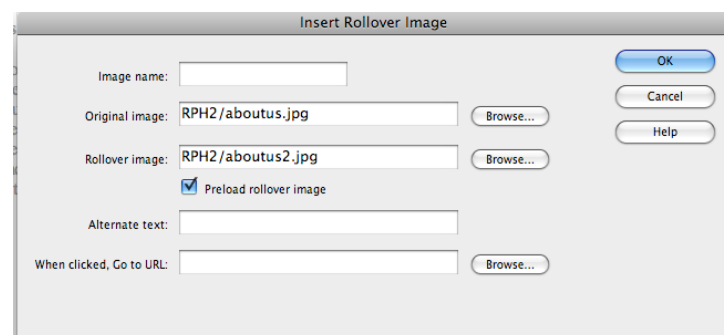


4. E-Mail Link in Properties window

ROLLOVER IMAGES

Rollover images allow you to have a graphic change to a different graphic when the mouse rolls over it. To insert a rollover image, do the following:

1. Click on Insert > Image Objects > Rollover Images.
2. In the **Insert Rollover Image** dialog box under **Original Image**, browse for the image that is to be seen before the mouse rolls over it (5).
3. Under **Rollover Image** browse for the image to be seen when the mouse rolls over it.
4. In the **When clicked. Go to URL** field, you can enter a link by typing in the web address or browsing to a file.
5. Click **OK**.



5. Rollover Images window

PUTTING TOGETHER A SIMPLE NAVIGATION SYSTEM

As it happens, I have included a complete set of rollover images for use on our RPH webpage. Your task is to arrange them so that they form a complete navigation system. (Of course, we don't have any pages to link to yet but we can still see the links working):

Simply type in the full web address of any website (Remember you **must** include the `http://` at the start!)