Introduction to HTML

- ☐ HTML stands for Hyper Text Markup Language
- This is the most widely used language to develop web pages.
- The actual version is HTML 5.
- □ Additional to the HTML, today you can use CSS (Cascading Style Sheets).
 - **CSS** to simplify the process of making presentable web pages.



HTML, CSS, Script files

- ☐ HTML (new XHTML = extended HTML*)
 - For the content
 - For the structure
- ☐ CSS for the design (font, size, colours, borders etc.)
 - use commands with the style attribute in HTML
 - Better to have a separate CSS file
- ☐ Script files like PHP or Java etc.
 - you create special and interactive functions
 - E.g. create a contact form with HTML and CSS, but you need a script language to get a mail from the input and react



Why learn HTML

- ☐ Create Website
- ☐ Become a web designer
- Understand web
- ☐ Learn other languages
- ☐ Earn money



Choosing HTML Editor

- ☐ To write or to read an HTML file, you can use any text editor
 - **Examples of HTML editor**
 - Notepad
 - Notepad++ (very good)
 - Wordpad
- or any specialized HTML editing programs
 - Adobe Dreamweaver
 - Microsoft Expression Web
 - Visual Studio Code



Saving HTML file

- ☐ HTML file is saved with and html file extension e.g "Contact us.html". Without the html extension the browser will not be able to read the content.
- □ Running any HTML File
 - HTML file is run on a web browser. The browser must be installed on your computer
- ☐ The web browser interprets HTML commands to collect, arrange and display the parts of a web page

Examples of web browser

- Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Google Chrome
- Mozilla Firefox
- Opera Mini
- Safari



Before starting

- ☐ You need an editor program to write the HTML code
 - Wordpad or Notepad
 - Or a program like Expression web
 - DON'T USE WORD
- ☐ Extensions of files need to be visible

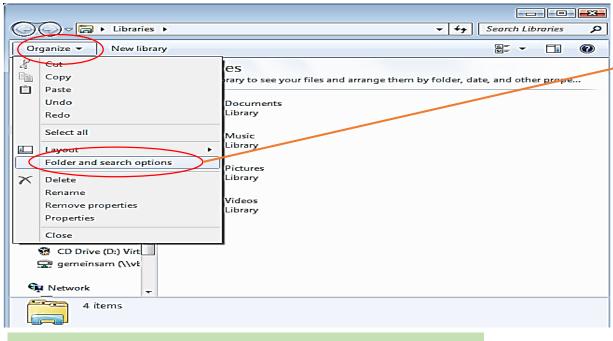
- ☐ A specific folder for the HTML files
- ☐ Be aware it is very important to be exact in the syntax



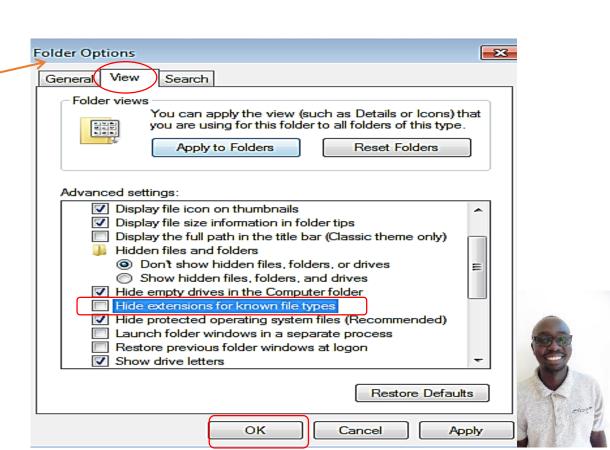
Extensions of files

The default setting in **Windows 7 Explorer** does not show you the type of the files – so for example – the ending of a text document is not shown. So here is normally only shown "index" not "index.txt".

To change the ending from index.txt to index.html, you need to see the extension. Open the **Windows 7 Explorer** and then change this in the settings:



In Windows 10 explorer, you find it under the tab view and the point show / hide



HTML Tags

- ☐ HTML tags are the hidden keywords that define how your web browser must format and display the content
- ☐ HTML tags are used to mark-up/define HTML elements
- ☐ HTML tags are surrounded by the **two characters <**and>
- The surrounding characters are called angle brackets
- ☐ HTML tags normally **come in pairs** like and
- ☐ The first tag in a pair is the **start tag**, the second tag is the **end tag**
- ☐ The text between the start and end tags is the **element content**



Fundamental structure of HTML document

- <!DOCTYPE HTML> This is a document type declaration tag.
 - It must appear at the start of the first line of every HTML5 document. There are some more statements necessary that different browsers can work with.
- <html> This tag tells your browser that this is the start of an html document
- ☐ <head> this provides descriptive data about the document such as document title.
- <title> This tag is used to uniquely identify documents and is also displayed in the title bar of the browser window
- ☐ </head>
- **Solution** < body > Data content to appear in the browser is added here
- □ </body>
- □ </html>



Creating HTML document

□ Open Notepad

