HTML MEDIA (AUDIO AND VIDEO)

HTML5 features include native audio and video support without the need for Flash.

The HTML5 <audio> and <video> tags make it simple to add media to a website. You need to set src attribute to identify the media source and include a controls attribute so the user can play and pause the media.

Embedding Video

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Here is the simplest form of embedding a video file in your webpage – <video src = "foo.mp4" width = "300" height = "200" controls>
Your browser does not support the <video> element.
</video>
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The current HTML5 draft specification does not specify which video formats browsers should support in the video tag. But most commonly used video formats are –

- Ogg Ogg files with Thedora video codec and Vorbis audio codec.
- mpeg4 MPEG4 files with H.264 video codec and AAC audio codec.

You can use <source> tag to specify media along with media type and many other attributes. A video element allows multiple source elements and browser will use the first recognized format – <!DOCTYPE HTML>

Video Attribute Specification

The HTML5 video tag can have a number of attributes to control the look and feel and various functionalities of the control –

Sr.No.	Attribute & Description
	autoplay
1	This Boolean attribute if specified, the video will automatically begin to play back as soon as
	it can do so without stopping to finish loading the data.
	autobuffer
2	This Boolean attribute if specified, the video will automatically begin buffering even if it's
	not set to automatically play.
3	controls

	If this attribute is present, it will allow the user to control video playback, including volume,
	seeking, and pause/resume playback.
4	height
	This attribute specifies the height of the video's display area, in CSS pixels.
5	loop
	This Boolean attribute if specified, will allow video automatically seek back to the start after
	reaching at the end.
6	preload
	This attribute specifies that the video will be loaded at page load, and ready to run. Ignored
	if autoplay is present.
7	poster
	This is a URL of an image to show until the user plays or seeks.
8	src
	The URL of the video to embed. This is optional; you may instead use the <source/> element
	within the video block to specify the video to embed.
9	width
	This attribute specifies the width of the video's display area, in CSS pixels.

Embedding Audio

HTML5 supports <audio> tag which is used to embed sound content in an HTML or XHTML document as follows.

<audio src = "foo.wav" controls autoplay>

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</audio>

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