

Studio: A site for something you care about

40 minutes

Project studios (optional extension sessions)

Outcome 2.5

WHAT THIS LESSON DOES

An optional studio build. Pupils plan, write, arrange and style a multi-page site on a subject of their own choosing, then read it cold as a stranger would and fix what fails. No new blocks.

CURRICULUM OUTCOMES

Outcome	What the specification asks for
2.5	Create a small website using HTML and CSS.

WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO

- Plan and build a multi-page site on a subject of your own choosing (LO 2.5)

BEFORE THE BELL

- Nothing to prepare. The builder opens on a page, and a pupil who has a site from earlier opens on theirs.
- Student devices. Nothing to prepare.

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HOW THE LESSON RUNS

3 min	introduction	Start: what we're building
5 min	content	Plan it before you build it
9 min	activity	Write the words first
8 min	activity	Arrange it so it can be scanned
5 min	activity	Style it
4 min	content	Read it cold and fix what fails
3 min	content	Make sense
2 min	content	Reflect
1 min	summary	What you covered

TEACHING MOVES

- Hold the line on the subject. "Anything" produces a page about nothing.
- "Write, arrange, style" on the board. It is the order that fails least, and styling an empty page is how a session ends with nothing on screen.
- Pair pupils for the cold read. Nobody can read their own writing cold.
- Optional and standalone: nobody needs to have finished Unit 2.2 to be here.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR

- One-line paragraphs that tell a stranger nothing.
- A menu added to only one page. It lists every page, but it has to be on each page a reader might land on.
- Placeholder text left behind, which is the commonest finish state.

DIFFERENTIATION

- Support: one well-written page with a banner meets the outcome.
- Extension: a third page, or a row inside a row.
- A pupil with no subject can write about the class, the school team, or the game everyone is playing.