Finding and Creating Library Items from Site Pages

Data File

olive_oil.html

Scenario

You have more pages to construct for the website and you would like to take advantage of as many time savers you can. You would like to save some page elements in the Assets Library panel so you can use them again. You will use the library items to complete a page.

- 1. Create a new site for this lesson.
 - a) Select Site→ New Site.
 - b) In the Site Setup for Unnamed Site dialog box, in the Site Name text box, type the site name, 7EE
- 2. Identify the site root folder.
 - a) To the right of the Local Browse Folder text box, select the Browse for folder icon.
 - In the Choose Root Folder dialog box, navigate to the C:\092001Data\Creating Reusable Site Assets folder.
 - c) Select the Open button and select the Select button.
- 3. Create and identify the graphics folder.
 - a) In the Site Setup for 7EE dialog box, select Advanced Settings.
 - b) To the right of the **Default Images folder** text box, select the **Browse for folder** icon.
 - c) Select the graphics folder.
 - d) Select the Open button.
 - e) Select the Select button.
- 4. Save the site and confirm the listing of the site folders.
 - a) Select the Save button.
 - b) In the Files panel, note the site root folder Creating Reusable Site Assets and the graphics folder.
- 5. View completed pages for reusable assets and add them to the library.
 - a) Open the index.html file.
 - b) Select the **Assets** panel tab and select the **Library** icon.
 - c) Select the **banner** graphic and select the **New Library Item** icon at the bottom edge of the **Library** panel.
 - d) In the **Dreamweaver** dialog box, select **OK**.
 - e) In the Name column of the Library panel, type ee_banner and press Enter.
 - f) If the **Update Files** dialog box appears, select the **Update** button.
 - g) In the footer section, select all the footer text.
 - h) Select the New Library Item icon.
 - i) In the Name column of the Library panel, type copyright and press Enter.
 - Save the file.

- k) Close all open files.
- 6. Open a page that needs completion and insert the library items required.
 - a) Select the Files panel and open the olive_oil.html file.
 - b) Place the insertion point in the header area at the top left of the page.
 - c) Open the **Assets** panel and be sure the **Library** icon is selected.
 - d) Select the ee_banner.
 - e) At the bottom of the Library panel, select the Insert button.
 - f) Select in the body of the page to deselect the banner.
- 7. Insert a text library item on the page.
 - a) Place the insertion point in the footer.
 - b) In the Assets Library panel, select the copyright item.
 - c) At the bottom of the Library panel, select the Insert button.
 - d) Click in the body of the page to deselect the footer text.
 - e) Save the file as my_olive_oil.html and leave it open for the next activity. Close olive_oil.html.
- 8. Place a library item in a second page.
 - a) Select the Files panel and open the file harvest.html.
 - b) Place the insertion point in the footer.
 - c) In the **Assets** panel, select the **Library** icon, and select the **copyright** item.
 - d) At the bottom of the **Library** panel, select the **Insert** button.
 - e) Click in the body of the page to deselect the footer text.
 - f) Save the file as my_harvest.html and leave it open for the next activity. Close harvest.html.

Modifying and Updating Library Items

Before You Begin

The files my_olive_oil.html and my_harvest.html are open.

Scenario

The footer text you placed on the page needs some enhancement. You will add a special symbol to the library item so that whenever it is used, it will have the same look and feel.

Modify the footer text library item.

- a) In the Assets panel, select the Library icon and select the copyright item.
- b) At the bottom of the **Library** panel, select the **Edit** icon.
- c) In the Copyright.lbi document, place the insertion point after the word "Copyright."
- d) Press the Spacebar.
- e) On the Application bar, select Insert → HTML → Special Characters → Copyright.
- f) Press the Spacebar.
- g) Save the copyright.lbi file.
- h) In the **Update Library Items** dialog box, review the pages to be updated and select the **Update** button.
- i) If the **Update Pages** dialog box appears, select the **Close** button.
- i) Close the .lbi file.
- k) Note that the copyright symbol has been added to the footer text in the my_harvest.html page.
- Click the document tab for my_olive_oil.html and inspect the footer text to confirm that the copyright symbol was updated on that page as well.
- m) Save and close all files.

Creating a Page Template

Data File

C:\092001Data\Creating Reusable Site Assets\my_olive_oil.html

Scenario

You need to create additional pages. You would like to produce them with the same layout you spent hours constructing when you created the first one. You don't want to spend time building each page from a blank page or a layout. Creating a template will save you hours of time if you clean up an existing page of its variable content and convert it into a template. You decide that the olive oil page is a good candidate for a template.

- 1. Open a page to create a Dreamweaver template from it.
 - a) Open the my_olive_oil.html file.
 - b) Select File→Save as Template.
 - c) In the Save As Template dialog box, in the Save as text box, type ee_basic and select the Save button.
 - d) Answer Yes to Update Links.
 - e) Note that the file is now named **ee_basic.dwt** as a Dreamweaver template file.
- 2. Remove all variable content from the template.
 - a) Select the olive oil graphic and press Delete.
 - b) Select the "Olive Oils" heading and the paragraphs below it.
 - c) Press Delete.
 - d) Select the entire definition list and delete it.
 - e) Select File→Save to save the template.
 - f) Select **OK** to the editable regions message.
- 3. Add editable regions to the template.
 - a) Place the insertion point at the top of the white content area.
 - b) Select Insert-Template Objects-Editable Region.
 - c) In the New Editable Region dialog box, in the Name text box, type main
 - d) Select OK.
 - e) Click in the main editable region box.
 - f) In the **Properties** panel, be sure the **HTML** button is selected.
 - g) Select the **Format** drop-down arrow and change the selection to **None**.
 - h) Select the Code button.
 - i) Delete any heading tags <h1>, <h2>, or <h3> left inside the <div> with the class name content.

- j) In the CSS Styles panel, click the Refresh button and select the Design button.
- k) Save the template and close it.

Applying a Page Template

Data Files

ee_basic.dwt

events.txt

Scenario

The marketing manager has a list of three new pages she wants for the site. You created a template by using one of your preferred page layouts. You need to test the template by using it to create a new page. If the template works, you will be able to create the three new pages very quickly.

Create a page by using the new template.

- a) In the Welcome Screen, in the Create New column, select the More icon.
- b) In the New Document dialog box, in the first column, select Page from Template.
- c) In the Site column, select the 7EE site.
- d) In Template for Site7EE, select the ee_basic template.
- e) Select the Create button.
- f) Note the label to the upper right identifying this page as having been created with a template. Also note the editable region with the main tag.
- g) Select the **Design** button.
- h) Select the word "main" in the editable region, type *Events* and press Enter.
- i) Open the **Events.txt** file. Copy all of the text, and close the file.
- j) Paste the Events.txt text in the editable region below the heading.
- k) Place the insertion point in the "Events" heading.
- I) In the **Properties** panel, be sure the **HTML** button is selected.
- m) In the Format drop-down menu, select Heading 1.
- n) Place the insertion point in each of the headings "Olive Picking Holidays," "Olive Festivals," and "Olive Museums" and select **Heading 3** for each.
- o) Save the file as *my_events.html* and preview in the browser.
- p) Close the browser and all open files.

Creating Reusable Assets (Optional)

Data File

ee_basic.dwt

Scenario

You need a template with a repeatable region for created pages of olive types and other multiple listings. You decide to add a repeatable region to a basic template.

- 1. Add a repeatable region to the **ee_basic.dwt** template.
 - a) In the Files panel, open the ee_basic_dwt template.
 - b) Following the **main** editable region, add a table with the following values:
 - Rows: 2Columns: 2
 - Table width: 600 pixels
 Border thickness: 1
 Cell padding: 8
 Cell spacing: 3
 Header: Top
- 2. Populate the table.
 - a) First column, first row: *Olive Varieties*b) Second column, first row: *Descriptions*
- 3. In the second row of the table, insert a repeating region.
 - a) Place the insertion point in a cell in the second row.
 - b) In the **Tag Selector**, select the **>** tag to select the entire second row.
 - c) Select Insert→Template Objects→Repeating Region.
 - d) In the New Repeating Region dialog box, in the Name text box, type multi_olives and select OK.
 - e) If necessary, place the insertion point in a cell in the second row.
 - f) In the **Tag Selector**, select the **>** tag to select the entire second row.
 - g) Select Insert→Template Objects→Editable Region.
 - h) In the New Editable Region dialog box, in the Name text box, type olives descrand select OK.
 - i) Save the file as a template my_ee_repeat and close it.
- 4. Begin a new page with the template as a basis.
 - a) Select File→New.
 - b) In the **New Document** dialog box, in the first column select **Page from Template**.
 - c) In the third column marked Template for Site "7EE", select my_ee_repeat.
 - d) Select on the Create button.
 - e) In the second row, first column, type Kalamata
 - f) In the second row, second column, type Grown in Western and Central Greece and the Peloponnese, it has a deep purple color and complex fruity flavor.
 - g) Select the **plus** button above the first column to obtain another row.
 - h) In the third row, first column, type *Nicoise* and in the second column, type *Only grown in the French*Riviera with a low crop yield, they are mostly sold and eaten domestically. These deep brown olives have little flesh with a large pit.

- i) You could continue typing other varieties you wish to list with their descriptions.
- j) Save the page as *my_olive_varieties.html*
- k) Preview it in the browser.
- I) Close the browser and close the file.