Twine Tips

*The sections below cover some of the basic features of Twine2. Do not be overwhelmed by the amount of coding. All you need to do is copy the links provided and play around.*

Making Links

To make a link, you need to add two square brackets on the right and left of your text, leading to another text box:

[[enter text here]]

If you have a long text, and do not want this text to appear on your box, you can rename your link like this:

[[enter text here -> choice 1]]

You will then have to delete the extra choice 1 box that was created by this manipulation, and rename the box with you original text as choice 1. While this might seem complicated at first, it is a great technique to keep track of your narrative, and help you with the different stages of your game.

Align text in the centre

Go to Edit Storystylesheet and paste this:

tw-passage { text-align: center; }

Change the font and size (ex.):

body, tw-story

{

 font-family: Palatino;

 font-size: 18px;

}

*N.B. you can change the font to any font style, but you should choose a “common” one that is recognised by your browser.*

Change main text colour:

**For the entire game** - Go to Edit Storystylesheet and paste this with the colour of your choice (here, red):

tw-passage { color:red; }

**For one particular text -**

While you type your text, format your writing in this way: (text-colour: “red”)[Some text you want to appear red.]

For more HTML colour choices, go to <https://htmlcolorcodes.com/>

Including Random Text:

Simply writing **(either: “one thing”, “another”)** is enough to display one thing or another. If you don’t have a whole lot of possible options in mind you can just stick this in the story where you want the random text to appear and it’ll do the job nicely.

Add Background:

**Same background for all story passages:**

tw-story { background-image:url("ENTER YOUR URL HERE"); background-size:cover; }

**Background for a specific passage (here, with the tag “snow”):**

tw-story[tags~="snow"] { background-image:url("https://ak.picdn.net/shutterstock/videos/11446151/thumb/1.jpg"); background-size:cover; }

Add image:

**For a specific passage:**

<[img](http://december.com/html/4/element/img.html) src="https://www.dukeupress.edu/Assets/High-Res-Covers/978-1-4780-0658-9.jpg" width="1771" height="2760" alt="Two foxes">

*Note that you can change the size of the image. You can also adjust the image to the size of your box (check video tutorials).*

***For more info:***

*Online Tutorials*

*These tutorials are detailed and helpful. They are made by professionals in the field and will answer any of your questions.*

<https://twinery.org/cookbook/questions/links.html>

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLklITFhXtPCCKadv-0Gcbqoj3OCev695D>

<https://damonwakes.wordpress.com/twine-for-beginners/>