

Making a Web Site

A web site is like a HyperStudio stack. It's made of pages that have buttons (called links) and pictures and text. The remarkable thing about a web page is that you can share it with others anywhere in the world by uploading it to an ISP (Internet Service Provider) on the Internet.

Preparation

1. The first thing you need to do is to make a place to save your web site pages and pictures.

- Open your folder on the server
- Go to **File** and make a New Folder.
- Rename the **Untitled** folder **Web Site**.
- Everything you save will go into this folder. Always save to this folder.

2. The next thing you need to do is to learn about Netscape.

- Netscape Communicator** is several applications in one. **Navigator** is what you use to surf the net, but **Netscape Communicator** has a web page authoring program in it, too. It's called **Composer**.
- You can get to **Composer** by opening Netscape and clicking on **Communicator** in the menu bar and selecting **Composer**.
- Command 3 will also get you there from Netscape Navigator and a new page will open.
- Another way to open Composer is to select File and then Open while in Navigator. From there, select New Blank Page.
- This new page is your blank page that you can use to create your first web page.

Naming and Saving your Web Site

It's important to name your web page before doing anything else. There is a difference between a page name and the name you use to save your page in your web folder. **A site name is simply a page title.** Read on.

- Click on **Format** in the menu bar and Select **Page Title**.
- Name your page _____'s Egypt Site or another appropriate name.
- Click OK and you're back to Composer. In a page title you're allowed to use capitals, apostrophes and spaces.
- index.htm** will be the name you use to **save** the first page of your site. Click

on File and Save As.. and save your site using that name. Additional pages can have names like mummies.htm or pharaohs.htm. Note the use of lower case letters and **.htm** (dot htm) at the end of the name you used to save your first page. The index.htm page is what servers recognize as your first page in a site.

Exploring Netscape Composer

- Now you're ready to add text, pictures and links to your site.
- Type a title at the top of your Composer page: _____'s Ancient Egypt Site for example.
- Use the Composer icons to center your title, change the text size and color.
- Save your site with Command S.
- Go on to lesson 2.