

# Getting Started With Bootstrap 3

# Getting Started

- How do you actually use Bootstrap?
- You need access to the CSS code and JS code.
- Options:
  - Download copy
  - Use absolute reference
  - Link on CodePen



# Saving your own copy of Bootstrap

- You can download a copy of Bootstrap at <http://getbootstrap.com>
- Use the default values or select <http://getbootstrap.com/customize/>
- Make sure you know where you saved your files!

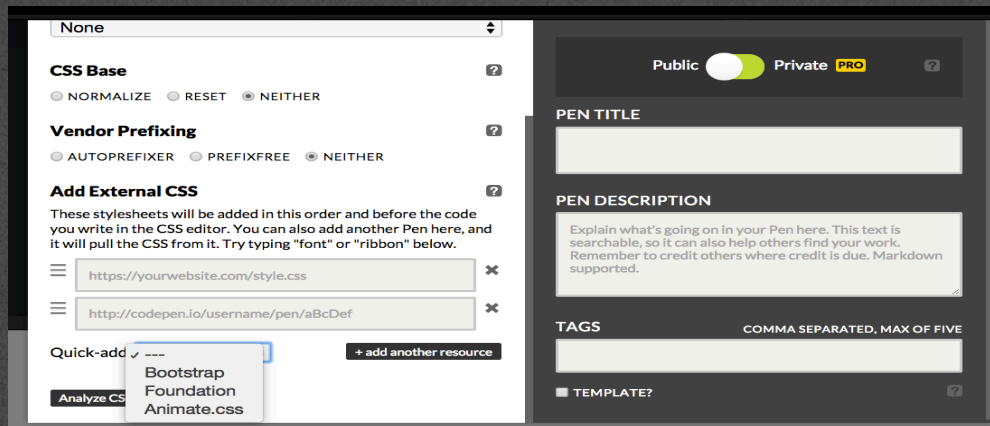
## Using a CDN

- A CDN is a content delivery network
- Provides a way to connect to the Bootstrap code using an absolute reference
  - <http://getbootstrap.com/getting-started/>



# Using Bootstrap with CodePen

- You can add Bootstrap to CodePen in the Settings.
- Select Settings → CSS → Add external CSS



# Template

- It is common to start with a template file.  
<http://getbootstrap.com/getting-started/#examples>
- A modified version from getbootstrap.com can be found here:  
[RD:Bootstrap Template](#)



# How do you know it is working?

- For such a simple file, it may be hard at first to see if it is working.
- To test:
  - Comment out link to css
  - Use Inspect Element
    - *This method is definitely preferred, particularly as you start to add your own styles.*

## Don't forget...

- To use element inspector.
- To include the JavaScript at the bottom.
- That you can customize bootstrap defaults.
- That you can overwrite bootstrap defaults.



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