It's easy to freak out when you're seeing all those arcane-looking words on your computer screen, but a few quick tutorials are enough to grasp the basics. You'll take to this naturally if you like designing! HTML and CSS decide the appearance of a website.

Languages take some time to sink in. To be ultra-productive, work on personal projects that you can put in your CV. In no time, you'll be a front-end pro! The back-end handles most of the functionality of the website via a database. You can go for classic (SQL) or opt for something less traditional (MongoDB).

Don't be afraid to go for an internship. It's natural to feel clueless, but a lot in tech works by learning on the fly. An internship will prep you for that full-stack job!

If you don't use it, you lose it! The easiest way to see progress is to practice it every day. You'll eventually gain confidence and build your portfolio, to boot.


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