
Certain words get \"_\" inserted before a

Posted by moss - 10/10/2007 02:44pm

You folks been noticing that certain words get the "_" character added before and after certain words in your posts? If you try and edit it out "_" doesn't appear in the edit window. Apparently the message board engine automatically adds this to words from some predetermined library, words that might be used in a coding language but can also be used in normal language.

Let see, here's a test, I'm just going to type some words that I've noticed that trigger this. Note that the "_" doesn't appear in preview, only after you've posted.

base
frame
link
object
script
style

Interesting. Some of these words get used in our conversations, any way to remove this bug? It's probably hard-coded but maybe it can be turned off.

-moss

Re:Certain words get \"_\" inserted before a

Posted by nickfromwi - 10/10/2007 10:39pm

I've noticed it has to do with those

I was using the word m e t a l for something and it made it metal

I think it thinks the word m e t a is for something else.

love
nick

Re:Certain words get \"_\" inserted before a

Posted by moss - 10/22/2007 07:39am

Just found that "layer" does the same thing, here's the current list:

base
frame
link
layer
meta
object
script
style

Re:Certain words get \"_\" inserted before a

Posted by Electrojake - 10/23/2007 12:06am

Re: Certain words get \"_\" inserted before a

Posted by pattyjenkins - 11/08/2007 08:46am

Hi everybody,
Here's what our webmaster has to say about this:

"This is a security measure to reduce the chance of a type of attack called 'cross-site scripting' , or XSS. These words are names of HTML tags that can be used to trick the browser into sending information to another web site."

He suggested we disable this feature but then there was the possibility of our website being compromised, so -- sorry -- we'll just have to live with it.

Patty

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