

## Introducing Microthemer Transcript

Welcome to Themeover! My name is Sebastian Webb and I'm the author of Microthemer, which is a premium plugin for WordPress. In this video we're going to look at how we can use Microthemer to redesign a WordPress website. *No coding experience is required.*

[go to WordPress dashboard] We're using the default Twenty Eleven WordPress theme in this example. To start editing our theme, we need to go the Microthemer UI page in WordPress. [go to UI page]

Next, let's load up the frontend of our WordPress site so that we can see what we're about to edit [expand selectors in header section, click header]. You see this [move mouse around highlighting] transparent blue overlay covering the header area of our web page, that tells us what this header [point to selected menu item] label here refers to.

If we move on to the next label, we see that the highlighting changes. [click next button] Microthemer gives us a large number of these labels, which I will refer to as "Selectors" from now on. [scroll through selectors] Having a large number of selectors means that we can apply styling to virtually every element of our site [click on a few to show the highlighting change - finish on header].

Now the fun bit. Let's start redesigning of our WordPress theme. With our target element selected here [point to selected Header in dropdown], we just need to click the [click Show Editing button] "Show Editing" button to load our style options, and then [click, then Edit Styles link] expand the options here. Let's also temporarily turn off highlighting [turn off] so that we can see the page more clearly.

Let's assume we're after a strong purple look. To change the background colour of our header we just need to reveal the background style options [expand], select our chosen colour [pick color - #471247 - highlight > right-click > copy hex] using the colour picker, and then click the save button [click save]. Microthemer then saves our settings and automatically reloads our website so that we can see our changes appear before our eyes.

But just changing the background colour of our header is a bit boring. One of Microthemer's main selling points is that it allows us to go beyond token styling options [go to body].

To illustrate, let's give the whole site a purple gradient [paste #471247 A= darker C = lighter] and then [go to site title] make a number of changes to our site title. Let's change the [do as saying normal, 46, Georgia] font-weight, size and family. Let's also change the text colour [paste #471247 almost white], give it some padding [25px] and then move it down over the banner image [absolute 190, 0]. And to top it all off, let's give it some CSS3 styles - a nice gradient [Gradient A = paste #471247, lighter C = #471247] and rounded corners on the right hand edge [8, 8 middle two boxes].

Now we just save our changes again and watch the magic happen. Some of you might be wondering how the CSS3 gradients and rounded corners will look in Internet Explorer [open Internet Explorer - tab open - refresh to show changes], which doesn't have native support for these styles. Well, you'll be pleased to see that, in fact, the styles render just fine. Even, in older versions [F12 select IE7] of Internet Explorer like IE7. How? [back to FF, enter css3 pie in google tab - click] Because

Microthemer comes pre-integrated with the wonderful CSS3 PIE by Jason Johnston [\[highlight name\]](#), which makes Internet Explorer capable of displaying CSS3 styles.

[\[go back to UI\]](#) By using all the design options Microthemer provides [\[scroll through selectors\]](#) we could continue with our purple theme until our site looks something like this [\[go to chrome purplified tab\]](#)

[\[back to FF UI\]](#) Just before I wrap up, it's worth noting that all these selectors here target the Twenty Eleven Theme specifically. They wouldn't work on every theme. [\[go to 4th themeover tab\]](#) I loaded these particular selectors by heading over to Themeover's free Blank Theme repository and then [\[click download button\]](#) downloading and installing the appropriate blank theme for Twenty Eleven. So I recommend having a look what's available [\[scroll down to almost bottom\]](#) in this repository as your first port of call.

So that's my brief introduction to Microthemer [\[click Microthemer tab in main menu\]](#). I haven't covered everything. And if you'd like a more comprehensive demonstration, [\[go to demos page\]](#) head over to the demo videos page. [\[Go to homepage, Add to cart, go to PayPal\]](#) If you can't wait, you can grab yourself a copy now for just \$45. We think that's pretty reasonable considering how much fun you can have designing with this plugin. What's more, if there's a shortage of fun, Themeover offers a 30 day money back guarantee.