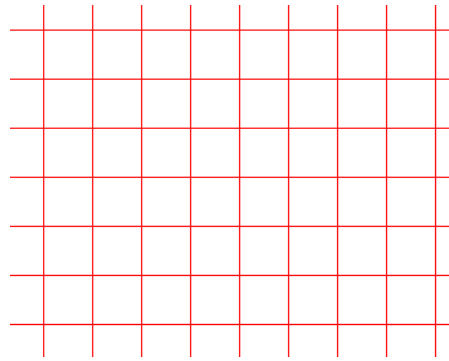


# Page Layout with a Grid

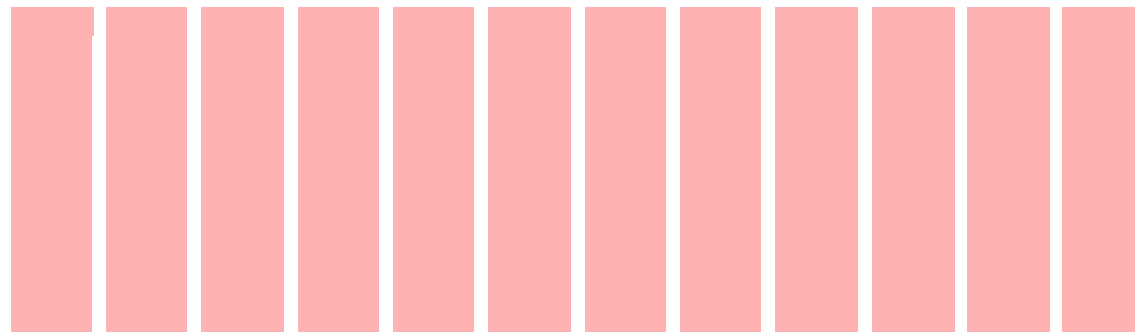
# Grid

- A grid is a tool used by designers to organize and align page elements.
- In Figma and other graphic applications you can use two kinds of grids:

Square grid

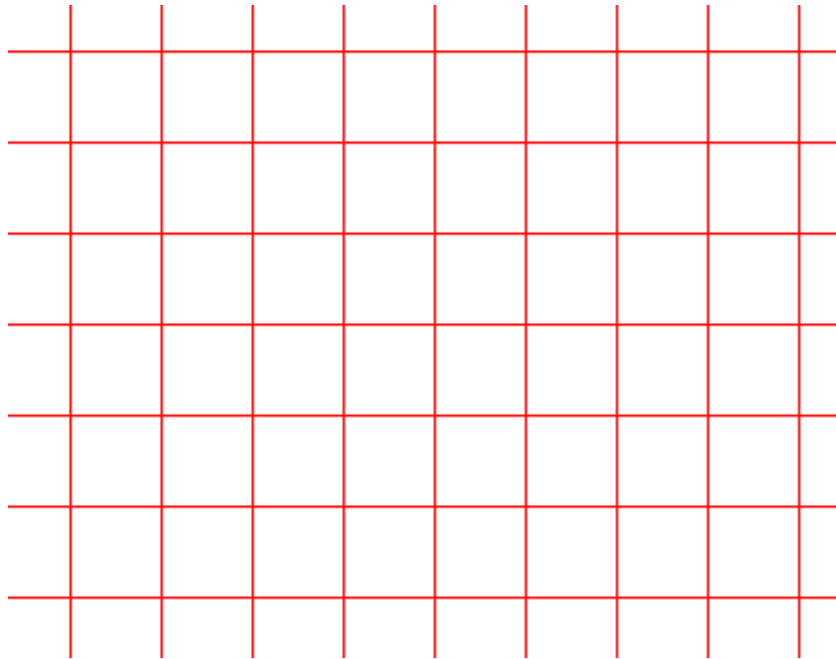


Column grid



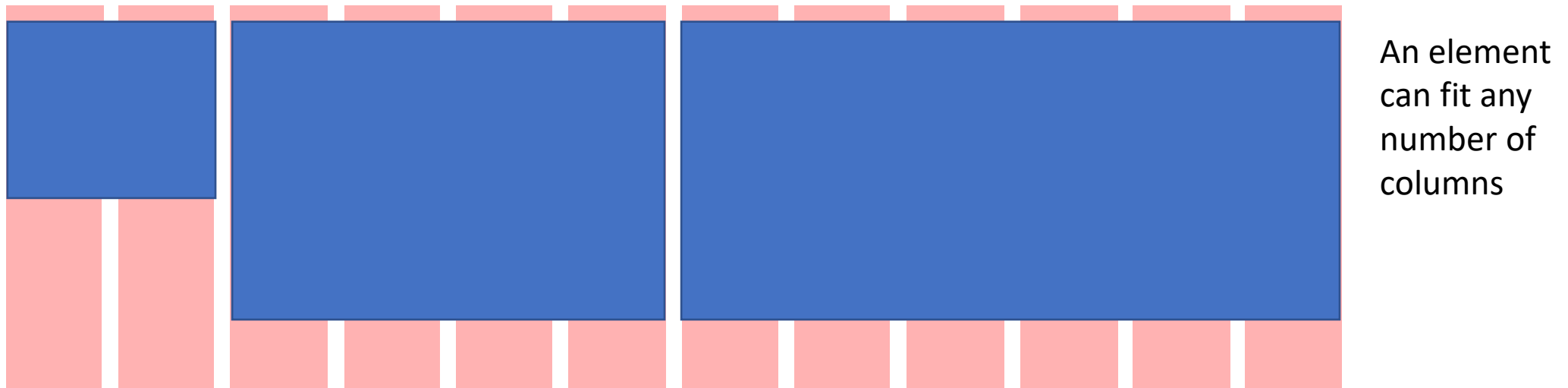
# Square Grid

- A square grid is made of equal size squares.
- You can adjust the size of the squares.
- The square grid is useful for consistent spacing of page elements.



# Column Grid

- A column grid is made up of equal-size columns.
- Page elements are made to fit one or more columns.
- The column grid provide flexible formats for pages and interfaces that integrate multiple text elements, Imagery, navigation and more.



# Column Grid- Example

A column grid is used to organize and align page elements

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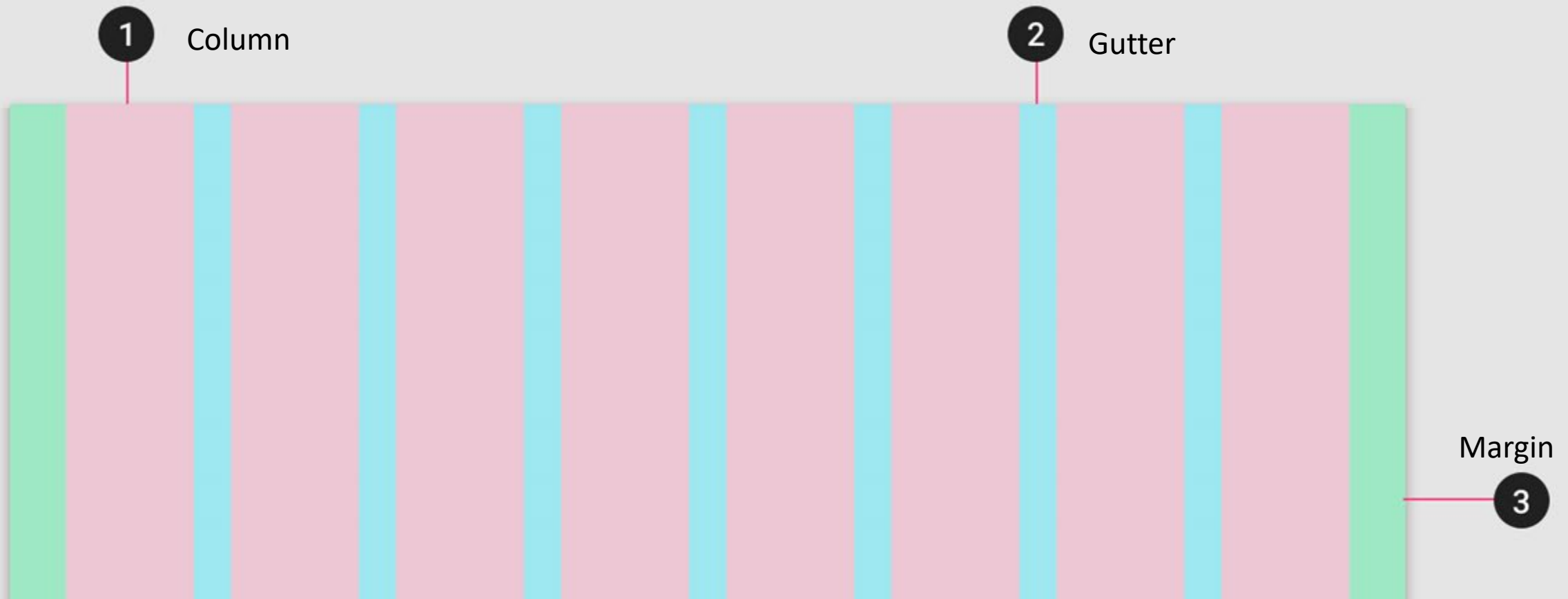
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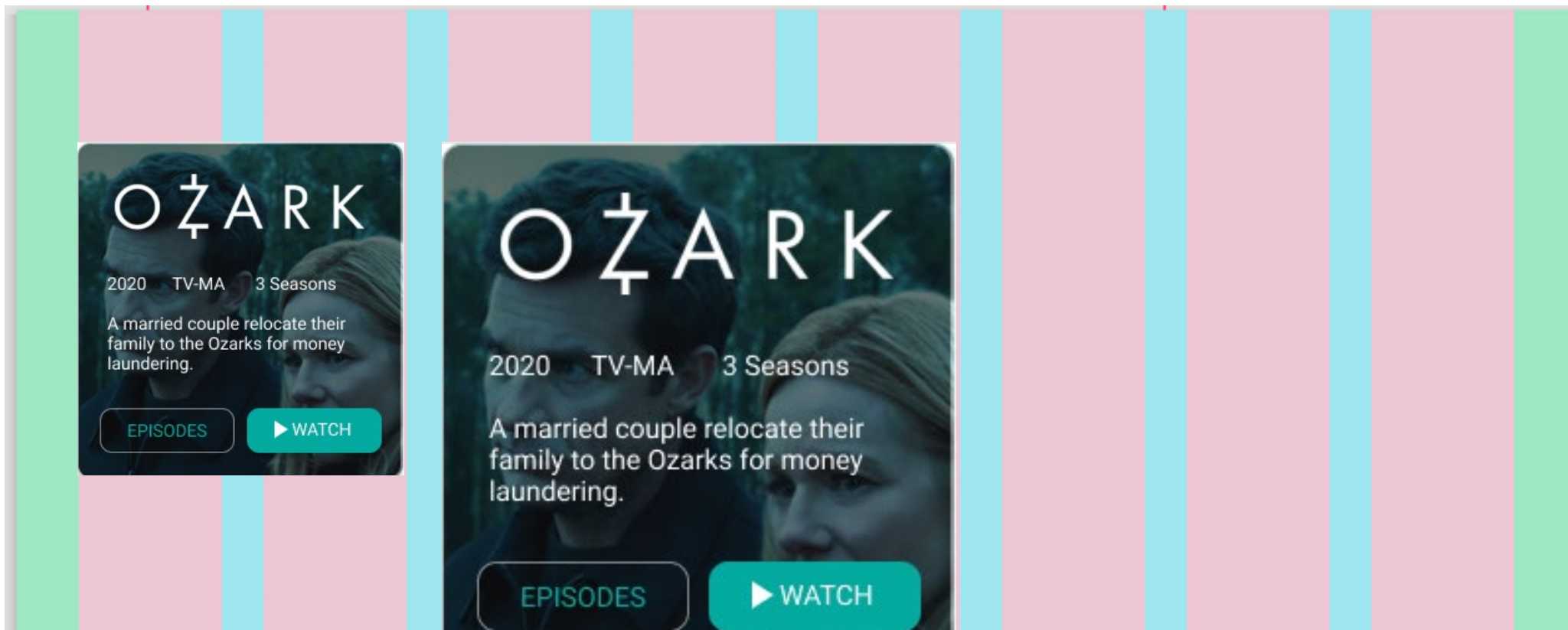
# Anatomy of Column Grid

A column grid is made of (1) Columns, (2) Gutters and (3) Margins.



# Columns

- Content is placed in the areas of the screen that contain columns.
- Content is resized to fit one or more columns.



# Columns

- The more columns, the more flexible the grid becomes.
- In the NY Times layout on the right elements span 2, 4, 8, or 12 columns.

The screenshot displays the homepage of The New York Times on Thursday, January 24, 2019. The layout is a grid of columns of varying widths. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the newspaper's name, language options (English, Español, 中文), and a search icon. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with categories like World, U.S., Politics, N.Y., Business, Opinion, Tech, Science, Health, Sports, Arts, Books, Style, Food, Travel, Magazine, T Magazine, Real Estate, and Video. The main content area is divided into several columns. On the left, there is a large article titled "Senate Sets Test Votes to End Government Shutdown as Pressure Mounts" with a sub-headline "GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN". To its right is a smaller article "Trump Delays State of the Union, as Democrats Draft a Border Plan". Further right is an opinion piece "Trump's Wall of Shame" by Jamelle Bouie. Below these are more articles, including "Commerce Secretary Says Federal Workers Should Take Loans During Shutdown" and "We Didn't Get Ph.D.s Just to Sit Around: Civil Servants' Good Will Erodes". The rightmost column contains several smaller opinion pieces, such as "The Art of Humanizing Social Systems" by David Bornstein and "Why Trump Still Likes Rudy" by Gail Collins. The layout demonstrates how different elements are arranged across multiple columns to create a balanced and readable page.

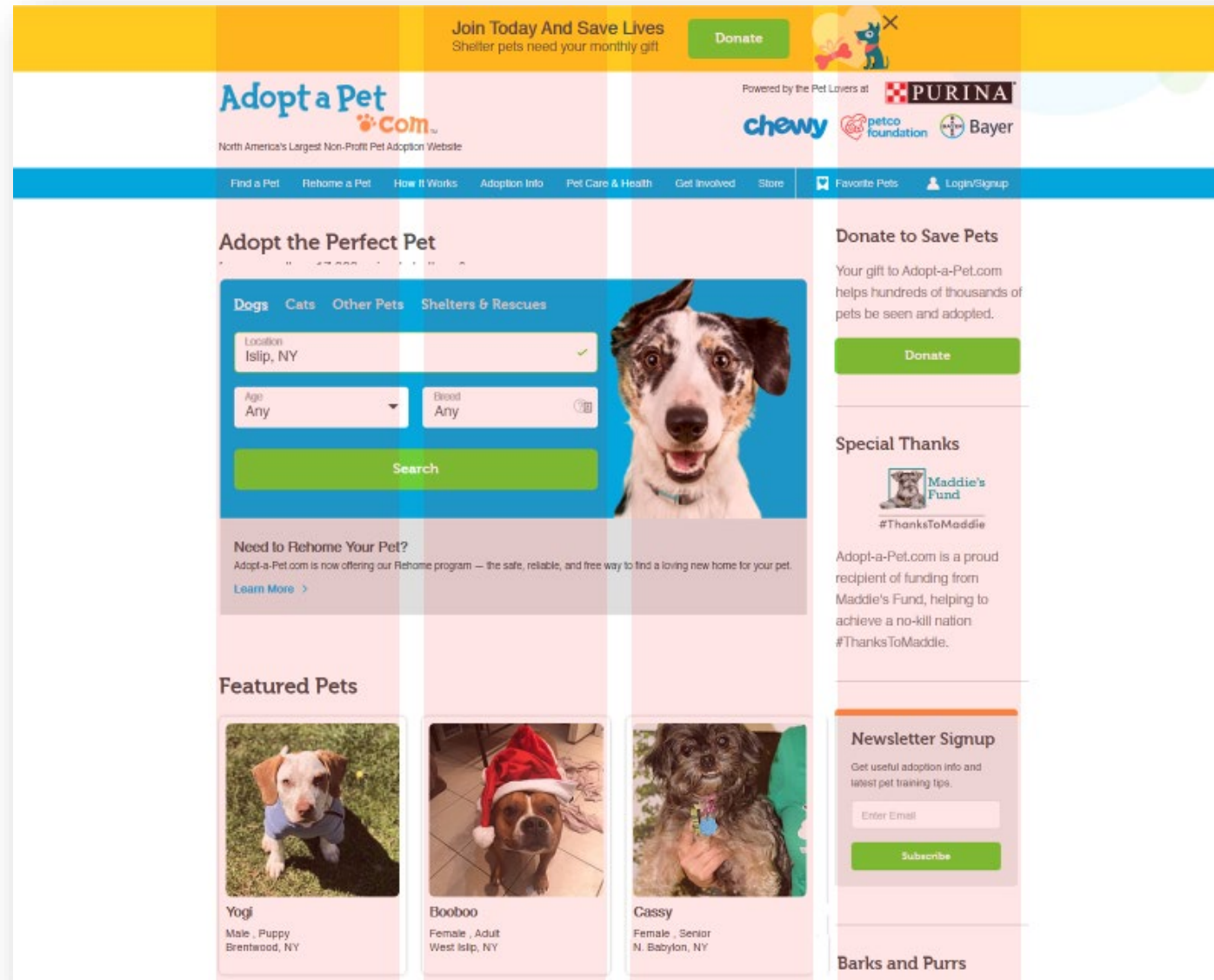
# Gutters & Margins

- **Gutters** are the spaces between columns. They separate content with consistent amount of spacing.
- **Margins** are the spaces between content and the left and right edges of the screen.



# Visual Hierarchy with a Column Grid

- A column grid can help define **visual hierarchy**
- Important elements made to span a higher number of columns.
- Side content occupies the right or left columns.



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Similar elements span the same number of columns.

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