1. Click the “U FIX IT!” button.

2. You will be provided with a new alt text field where you can enter an up to 100-characters long description. If the image is intended to be ‘decorative’ instead of ‘informative’ to the learning process, mark the “decorative” box. Once your description is written, or you’ve selected the decorative box, click the “Submit” button.

False Positives

If an image is purely decorative, meaning that the image is not significant enough that students will mention the image in conversation or use the image as a reference point for finding other information on the page, then leaving the Alt text field blank or creating null alt text (alt=””) is a perfectly accessible practice. Examples of such images include borders at the beginning and end of each page.

It is because null alt text can be used in an accessible way that the Accessibility Checker (UDOIT) ranks this result as a suggestion instead of an error. However, you should treat this result as an error 95% of the time.

Related FAQs

- How do I fix “headings should contain text” error using the Accessibility Checker (UDOIT)?
- How do I fix “insufficient text color contrast with the background” error using the Accessibility Checker (UDOIT)?
- How do I fix “synchronized captions should be provided for prerecorded web-based video” error using the Accessibility Checker (UDOIT)?
- How do I fix “no row or column scopes declarations found in headers of the table” error using the Accessibility Checker (UDOIT)?
- How do I fix “no table headers found” error using the Accessibility Checker (UDOIT)?