

# HTML Paragraphs

The HTML `<p>` element defines a paragraph.

A paragraph always starts on a new line, and browsers automatically add some white space (a margin) before and after a paragraph.

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>

<p>This is a paragraph.</p>
<p>This is a paragraph.</p>
<p>This is a paragraph.</p>

</body>
</html>
```

Output:

This is a paragraph.

This is a paragraph.

This is a paragraph.

# HTML Display

You cannot be sure how HTML will be displayed.

Large or small screens, and resized windows will create different results.

With HTML, you cannot change the display by adding extra spaces or extra lines in your HTML code.

The browser will automatically remove any extra spaces and lines when the page is displayed:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
```

```
<p>
This paragraph
contains a lot of lines
in the source code,
but the browser
ignores it.
</p>
```

```
<p>
This paragraph
contains  a lot of spaces
in the source  code,
but the  browser
ignores it.
</p>
```

```
<p>
The number of lines in a paragraph depends on the size of the browser window. If you resize the
browser window, the number of lines in this paragraph will change.
</p>
```

```
</body>
</html>
```

Output:

This paragraph contains a lot of lines in the source code, but the browser ignores it.

This paragraph contains a lot of spaces in the source code, but the browser ignores it.

The number of lines in a paragraph depends on the size of the browser window. If you resize the browser window, the number of lines in this paragraph will change.

## HTML Horizontal Rules

The `<hr>` tag defines a thematic break in an HTML page, and is most often displayed as a horizontal rule.

The `<hr>` element is used to separate content (or define a change) in an HTML page:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>

<body>

<h1>This is heading 1</h1>

<p>This is some text.</p>

<hr>

<h2>This is heading 2</h2>

<p>This is some other text.</p>

<hr>

<h2>This is heading 2</h2>

<p>This is some other text.</p>

</body>

</html>
```

Output:

This is heading 1

This is some text.

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**This is heading 2**

This is some other text.

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**This is heading 2**

This is some other text.

# The HTML `<pre>` Element

The HTML `<pre>` element defines preformatted text.

The text inside a `<pre>` element is displayed in a fixed-width font (usually Courier), and it preserves both spaces and line breaks:

## Example

```
<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>

<body>

<p>The pre tag preserves both spaces and line breaks:</p>

<pre>

    My Bonnie lies over the ocean.

    My Bonnie lies over the sea.

    My Bonnie lies over the ocean.

    Oh, bring back my Bonnie to me.

</pre>

</body>

</html>
```