

HTML - Heading elements

h1, h2, h3, h4, h5 and h6.

The W3C HTML5 specification describes six HTML heading elements: h1, h2, h3, h4, h5 and h6. [ref](#)

The height of a heading element is specified in the browser's default stylesheet. See col 4 below. [ref](#)

The height of 1 em is usually 16 pixels.

The em is a unit of measure from the field of printed type, and is equal to the width of the letter M. [ref](#)

| HTML element | rank | example text | default stylesheet | pixel height |
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| <code><h1> </h1></code> | 1 | h1 | font-size: 2em font-weight: bolder | 32 px |
| <code><h2> </h2></code> | 2 | h2 | font-size: 1.5em font-weight: bolder | 24 px |
| <code><h3> </h3></code> | 3 | h3 | font-size: 1.17em font-weight: bolder | 18.72 px |
| <code><h4> </h4></code> | 4 | h4 | font-size: 1em font-weight: bolder | 16 px |
| <code><h5> </h5></code> | 5 | h5 | font-size: .83em font-weight: bolder | 13.28 px |
| <code><h6> </h6></code> | 6 | h6 | font-size: .67em font-weight: bolder | 10.72 px |

h1 = 2em/32px **h2 = 1.5em/24px** **h3 = 1.17em/18.72px** **h4 = 1em/16px** **h5 = 0.83em/13.28px** **h6 = 0.67em/10.72px**

Normal text height is 1em / 16px.