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Entities are used to define shortcuts to special characters.

Entities can be declared internal or external.

# An Internal Entity Declaration

## **Syntax**

```
<!ENTITY entity-name "entity-value">
```

## Example

```
DTD Example:

<!ENTITY writer "Donald Duck.">

<!ENTITY copyright "Copyright W3Schools.">

XML example:

<author>&writer;&copyright;</author>
```



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# An External Entity Declaration

## **Syntax**

```
<!ENTITY entity-name SYSTEM "URI/URL">
```

## Example

```
DTD Example:
```

```
<!ENTITY writer SYSTEM "https://www.w3schools.com/entities.dtd">
<!ENTITY copyright SYSTEM "https://www.w3schools.com/entities.dtd">
```

XML example:

<author>&writer;&copyright;</author>

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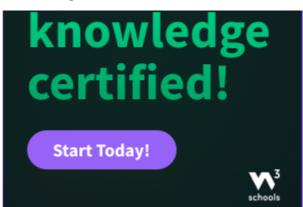
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