

Pseudo-Elements

(Not a complete list)

Pseudo-Elements	Selector	Applies To
	::first-line ::first-letter ::before ::after	block elements
	::selection	block and inline elements
	::marker	list items

Examples

Pseudo-Element	Selector	Comments	Notes
First Letter	p::first-letter{ }	Styles the first letter of every <p> element	Useful for defining raised initial caps for a block element like the <p> tag.
First Line	p::first-line{ }	Styles the first text line	Used to create a lead-in line for a block element like the <p> tag.
Before	p::before{ content: '❖' }	Inserts the text value of the content property at the start of every <p> element	Use the content property to specify the content to insert. The text value must be in quotes
After	p::after{ content: '👉' }	Inserts the text value of the content property at the end of every <p> element	These two pseudo-elements are inserted as inline elements

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Selection	<code>strong::selection{ }</code>	In this example, styles the element when it is selected	The selection pseudo element can be assigned to most elements.
Marker	<code>li::marker{ }</code>	Within an or list sets the styling of the elements' markers (i.e., bullets or numbers)	<p>Can only be assigned to the element.</p> <p>With a list the content property can be used to assign a special character, such as an emoji, as a marker.</p> <pre>ul li:marker { content: '😊'; }</pre>