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this is a level 2 heading
this is a level 3 heading

"What you need to know" is a level 3 heading

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****This is bold****, and so is **__this__**.

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Like this.

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+ Or plus sign

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* indented eight spaces

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To make lists look nice, you should include left indents before each wrapping line:

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Callouts:

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Horizontal lines:

Use 3 dashes after a paragraph break

Tables:

This is a table:

1 First Header1 Second Header1

1 -----1 -----1

1 Some content1 Some content1

1 Content cell1 Content cell1

Note: At the moment, the blue Preview box won't display anything after a table, and it may not display tables correctly. But trust that it will display fine on the actual website.

Table content alignment:

You can change the text-alignment by adding a colon on the right, or on both sides for center:

1 Item1 Value1 Savings1

1 -----1 -----1:-----1

1 Computer1 \$16001 40%1

1 Phone1 \$121 30%1

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Item

Value

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\$1600

40%

Phone

\$12

30%