# HTML Part 1

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# Tags vs. Elements

In HTML, you will use **tags** to define the structure of the document. A `tag` is a specialized series of characters or a keyword that a browser interprets as either the start or end of an HTML element. All tags have a start, middle, and end. Now it's time for you to explore what the paragraph tag would look like:
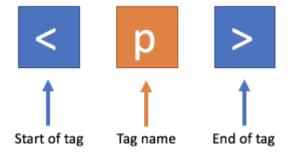
*Figure 2-1: Opening Tag*

Most tags have both a start and an end tag wrapping the content. The end tag is similar to the start tag but adds a slash `/` denoting the end of the tag (ex.: `</p>` ).

*Figure 2-2: Closing Tag*

To mark up a paragraph, you would write something like the following:

```
<p>Here is a sentence. This is a very short paragraph.</p>
```

**Elements** are HTML components that contain the start tag, such as `<p>` , the content of the paragraph, and the end tag, `</p>` . Think of elements as the whole object, not just an individual tag.

To recap, here is a paragraph element:

```
<p>I am a paragraph!</p>
```

The paragraph element above contains three parts: an opening paragraph tag, the content, and a closing paragraph tag.

Great work! Now that you have an idea of the differences between tags and elements, it is time to explore more of the tags that make up a basic HTML page.

# Review

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## HTML Quiz

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