Features and Syntax of xml

* XMl prolog is optional
* Tags must have closing tags
* Attributes must be quoted and are written withing the opening Tags
* Tags are must be closed in the reverse order of opened tags
* Some symbols have defined meanings and will cause an error if placed in tags. Such elements should be written with inverted commas
  + E.g <eligibility> age &gt; 18</eligibility> this replaces <eligibility> age > 18 </eligibility>

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| --- | --- |
| Character | Entity reference |
| & | &amp; |
| < | &lt; |
| > | &gt; |
| “ | &quot; |
| ‘ | &apos; |

* Comments <!—This is a comment-->
  + Double dashes in the middle of a comment invalidate the comment
* Multiple spaces are preserved in XML