

Markdown

Hashes (# is H1, ### is H3 etc) and one space formats a heading

Basic formatting

Use two returns to start another paragraph

with a line in-between.

Use two spaces and one return to start a new line immediately after the one before.

asterisks and *_underscores_* format as italic.

****two asterisks**** or **__two underscores__** format as bold.

******3 asterisks****** or ***__3 underscores__*** format as bold italic.

To get a horizontal separator, use

3 hyphens, or *** or __

Blockquotes

> You format a blockquote using the greater than symbol. If you want a blockquote to span multiple paragraphs, add the greater than symbol to the line between paragraphs too.

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> Markdown is intended to be as easy-to-read and easy-to-write as is feasible.

Lists

1. Number, period, space gives a numbered list
 1. Indent with a tab or at least 2 spaces for a nested list.
- * Asterisk, space gives a bulleted list.
 - * Indent the same way for a nested list.
- 2. Lists can mix bullets and numbers.
- Use * space to set up the list, then additional asterisks if needed for formatting.

Code

Use a single backtick

`` to format inline code.``

Use

```` C#`

3 backticks {name of the language is optional;

may enable displaying with syntax highlighting}

in the lines above and below a code block

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Links

[Use square brackets around the visible text then round brackets around the URL](<https://placekitten.com> "Space, optional title in quotes")

For a reference link

[text in square brackets then ref. no. in square brackets][1]

then [number], colon, space and URL without any brackets.

[1]: <http://news.bbc.co.uk>

Images

Exclamation mark and square brackets around alt text sets up an image, then the (URL with optional "title" same as a link)

![Kittens](<https://placekitten.com/250/400> "Fluffy Kitten")

To make the image a link put square brackets around the image code, then the URL in round brackets

![Kittens](<https://placekitten.com/300/300>)](<https://placekitten.com>)