#### comment (Comment Content)

This element specifies the content of a single comment stored in the [Comments](Comments.docx) part of a WordprocessingML document.

If a comment is not referenced by document content via a matching [id](id.docx) attribute on a valid use of the [commentReference](commentReference.docx) element (§), then it may be ignored when loading the document. If more than one comment shares the same value for the [id](id.docx) attribute, then only one comment shall be loaded and the others may be ignored.

[Example: Consider a document with text with an annotated comment as follows:



This comment is represented as the following WordprocessingML fragment:

<w:comment w:[id](id.docx)="1" w:initials="User">

…

</w:comment>

The comment element specifies the presence of a single comment within the [comments](comments.docx) part. end example]

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| Parent Elements |
| [comments](comments.docx) (§) |

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| Child Elements | Subclause |
| [altChunk](altChunk.docx) (Anchor for Imported External Content) | § |
| [bookmarkEnd](bookmarkEnd.docx) (Bookmark End) | § |
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| [customXml](customXml.docx) (Block-Level Custom [XML](XML.docx) Element) | § |
| [customXmlDelRangeEnd](customXmlDelRangeEnd.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Deletion End) | § |
| [customXmlDelRangeStart](customXmlDelRangeStart.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Deletion Start) | § |
| [customXmlInsRangeEnd](customXmlInsRangeEnd.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Insertion End) | § |
| [customXmlInsRangeStart](customXmlInsRangeStart.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Insertion Start) | § |
| [customXmlMoveFromRangeEnd](customXmlMoveFromRangeEnd.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Move Source End) | § |
| [customXmlMoveFromRangeStart](customXmlMoveFromRangeStart.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Move Source Start) | § |
| [customXmlMoveToRangeEnd](customXmlMoveToRangeEnd.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Move Destination Location End) | § |
| [customXmlMoveToRangeStart](customXmlMoveToRangeStart.docx) (Custom [XML](XML.docx) Markup Move Destination Location Start) | § |
| [del](del.docx) (Deleted [Run](Run.docx) Content) | § |
| [ins](ins.docx) (Inserted [Run](Run.docx) Content) | § |
| [moveFrom](moveFrom.docx) (Move Source [Run](Run.docx) Content) | § |
| [moveFromRangeEnd](moveFromRangeEnd.docx) (Move Source Location Container - End) | § |
| [moveFromRangeStart](moveFromRangeStart.docx) (Move Source Location Container - Start) | § |
| [moveTo](moveTo.docx) (Move Destination [Run](Run.docx) Content) | § |
| [moveToRangeEnd](moveToRangeEnd.docx) (Move Destination Location Container - End) | § |
| [moveToRangeStart](moveToRangeStart.docx) (Move Destination Location Container - Start) | § |
| [oMath](oMath.docx) (Office Math) | § |
| oMathPara (Math Paragraph) | § |
| [p](p.docx) (Paragraph) | § |
| [permEnd](permEnd.docx) (Range Permission End) | § |
| [permStart](permStart.docx) (Range Permission Start) | § |
| [proofErr](proofErr.docx) (Proofing Error Anchor) | § |
| [sdt](sdt.docx) (Block-Level Structured Document Tag) | § |
| [tbl](tbl.docx) (Table) | § |

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| Attributes | Description |
| author (Annotation Author) | Specifies the author for an annotation within a WordprocessingML document.  If this attribute is omitted, then no author shall be associated with the parent annotation type.  [Example: Consider a comment represented using the following WordprocessingML fragment:  <w:… w:[id](id.docx)="1" w:author="Example Author">  …  </w:…>  The author attribute specifies that the author of the current annotation is Example Author, which may be used as desired. end example]  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_String](ST_String.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |
| [date](date.docx) (Annotation Date) | Specifies the date information for an annotation within a WordprocessingML document. The use of this information is outside of the scope of this Office Open [XML](XML.docx) Standard.  If this attribute is omitted, then no date information shall be associated with the parent annotation type.  [Example: Consider a comment represented using the following WordprocessingML fragment:  <w:… w:[id](id.docx)="1" w:[date](date.docx)="2006-01-01T10:00:00">  …  </w:…>  The date attribute specifies that the date of the current annotation is January 1st 2006 at 10:00 AM, which may be used as desired. end example]  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_DateTime](ST_DateTime.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |
| [id](id.docx) (Annotation Identifier) | Specifies a unique identifier for an annotation within a WordprocessingML document. The restrictions on the [id](id.docx) attribute, if any, are defined by the parent [XML](XML.docx) element.  If this attribute is omitted, then the document is non-conformant.  [Example: Consider an annotation represented using the following WordprocessingML fragment:  <w:… w:[id](id.docx)="1" … >  …  </w:…>  The [id](id.docx) attribute specifies that the ID of the current annotation is 1. This value is used to uniquely identify this annotation within the document content. end example]  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_DecimalNumber](ST_DecimalNumber.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |
| initials (Initials of Comment Author) | Specifies the initials of the author of the current comment. This information may be used to [format](format.docx) and present the associated comment information block (§), or in any user interface supported by an application.  If this attribute is omitted, then no author shall be associated with the current comment in the document.  [Example: Consider a comment represented using the following WordprocessingML fragment:  <w:comment w:[id](id.docx)="1" w:initials="KB">  …  </w:comment>  The intials attribute specifies that the initials of the author of the current comment are KB, which may be used as desired. end example]  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_String](ST_String.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |

The following [XML](XML.docx) Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_Comment">

<complexContent>

<extension base="CT\_TrackChange">

<sequence>

<[group](group.docx) ref="EG\_BlockLevelElts" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>

</sequence>

<attribute [name](name.docx)="initials" [type](type.docx)="[ST\_String](ST_String.docx)" use="optional"/>

</extension>

</complexContent>

</complexType>