

HTML Tags Ordered by Category

Basic HTML

Tag	Description
<!DOCTYPE>	Defines the document type
<html>	Defines an HTML document
<title>	Defines a title for the document
<body>	Defines the document's body
<h1> to <h6>	Defines HTML headings
<p>	Defines a paragraph

	Inserts a single line break
<hr>	Defines a thematic change in the content
<!--...-->	Defines a comment

Formatting

Tag	Description
<acronym>	Not supported in HTML5. Use <abbr> instead. Defines an acronym
<abbr>	Defines an abbreviation or an acronym
<address>	Defines contact information for the author/owner of a document/article
	Defines bold text
<bdi>	Isolates a part of text that might be formatted in a different direction from other text outside it
<bdo>	Overrides the current text direction
<big>	Not supported in HTML5. Use CSS instead. Defines big text
<blockquote>	Defines a section that is quoted from another source
<center>	Not supported in HTML5. Use CSS instead. Defines centered text
<cite>	Defines the title of a work
<code>	Defines a piece of computer code
	Defines text that has been deleted from a document
<dfn>	Represents the defining instance of a term
	Defines emphasized text
	Not supported in HTML5. Use CSS instead. Defines font, color, and size for text
<i>	Defines a part of text in an alternate voice or mood
<ins>	Defines a text that has been inserted into a document
<kbd>	Defines keyboard input
<mark>	Defines marked/highlighted text
<meter>	Defines a scalar measurement within a known range (a gauge)
<pre>	Defines preformatted text
<progress>	Represents the progress of a task
<q>	Defines a short quotation
<rp>	Defines what to show in browsers that do not support ruby annotations
<rt>	Defines an explanation/pronunciation of characters (for East Asian typography)

<ruby>	Defines a ruby annotation (for East Asian typography)
<s>	Defines text that is no longer correct
<samp>	Defines sample output from a computer program
<small>	Defines smaller text
<strike>	Not supported in HTML5. Use or <s> instead. Defines strikethrough text
	Defines important text
<sub>	Defines subscripted text
<sup>	Defines superscripted text
<time>	Defines a date/time
<tt>	Not supported in HTML5. Use CSS instead. Defines teletype text
<u>	Defines text that should be stylistically different from normal text
<var>	Defines a variable
<wbr>	Defines a possible line-break

Forms and Input

Tag	Description
<form>	Defines an HTML form for user input
<input>	Defines an input control
<textarea>	Defines a multiline input control (text area)
<button>	Defines a clickable button
<select>	Defines a drop-down list
<optgroup>	Defines a group of related options in a drop-down list
<option>	Defines an option in a drop-down list
<label>	Defines a label for an <input> element
<fieldset>	Groups related elements in a form
<legend>	Defines a caption for a <fieldset> element
<datalist>	Specifies a list of pre-defined options for input controls
<keygen>	Defines a key-pair generator field (for forms)
<output>	Defines the result of a calculation

Frames

Tag	Description
<frame>	Not supported in HTML5. Defines a window (a frame) in a frameset
<frameset>	Not supported in HTML5. Defines a set of frames
<noframes>	Not supported in HTML5. Defines an alternate content for users that do not support frames
<iframe>	Defines an inline frame

Images

Tag	Description
	Defines an image
<map>	Defines a client-side image-map
<area>	Defines an area inside an image-map
<canvas>	Used to draw graphics, on the fly, via scripting (usually JavaScript)

<figcaption>	Defines a caption for a <figure> element
<figure>	Specifies self-contained content

Audio / Video

Tag	Description
<audio>	Defines sound content
<source>	Defines multiple media resources for media elements (<video> and <audio>)
<track>	Defines text tracks for media elements (<video> and <audio>)
<video>	Defines a video or movie

Links

Tag	Description
<a>	Defines a hyperlink
<link>	Defines the relationship between a document and an external resource (most used to link to style sheets)
<nav>	Defines navigation links

Lists

Tag	Description
	Defines an unordered list
	Defines an ordered list
	Defines a list item
<dir>	Not supported in HTML5. Use instead. Defines a directory list
<dl>	Defines a description list
<dt>	Defines a term/name in a description list
<dd>	Defines a description of a term/name in a description list
<menu>	Defines a list/menu of commands
<menuitem>	Defines a command/menu item that the user can invoke from a popup menu

Tables

Tag	Description
<table>	Defines a table
<caption>	Defines a table caption
<th>	Defines a header cell in a table
<tr>	Defines a row in a table
<td>	Defines a cell in a table
<thead>	Groups the header content in a table
<tbody>	Groups the body content in a table
<tfoot>	Groups the footer content in a table
<col>	Specifies column properties for each column within a <colgroup> element
<colgroup>	Specifies a group of one or more columns in a table for formatting

Styles and Semantics

Tag	Description
<style>	Defines style information for a document
<div>	Defines a section in a document

<code></code>	Defines a section in a document
<code><header></code>	Defines a header for a document or section
<code><footer></code>	Defines a footer for a document or section
<code><main></code>	Specifies the main content of a document
<code><section></code>	Defines a section in a document
<code><article></code>	Defines an article
<code><aside></code>	Defines content aside from the page content
<code><details></code>	Defines additional details that the user can view or hide
<code><dialog></code>	Defines a dialog box or window
<code><summary></code>	Defines a visible heading for a <code><details></code> element

Meta Info

Tag	Description
<code><head></code>	Defines information about the document
<code><meta></code>	Defines metadata about an HTML document
<code><base></code>	Specifies the base URL/target for all relative URLs in a document
<code><basefont></code>	Not supported in HTML5. Use CSS instead. Specifies a default color, size, and font for all text in a document

Programming

Tag	Description
<code><script></code>	Defines a client-side script
<code><noscript></code>	Defines an alternate content for users that do not support client-side scripts
<code><applet></code>	Not supported in HTML5. Use <code><embed></code> or <code><object></code> instead. Defines an embedded applet
<code><embed></code>	Defines a container for an external (non-HTML) application
<code><object></code>	Defines an embedded object
<code><param></code>	Defines a parameter for an object