

# LaTeX: Getting Started & Tips

## LaTeX Distribution & Information

[latex-project.org](http://latex-project.org)

## Package Documentation

[ctan.org](http://ctan.org)

## Online Q&A for Users

[tex.stackexchange.com](http://tex.stackexchange.com)

## Overleaf Learning & Documentation

[overleaf.com/learn](http://overleaf.com/learn)

### Start with a template:

- Basic format already included with some examples
- Then add templates for other features as needed

### Commenting:

- Make notes like code files and notes about your writing
- Add why you include packages too

### Common typesetting errors:

- “Box overfull” - your line has gone into the margin, many possible causes
- “You can’t use xxx in yyy mode” - you probably did not start/end an environment properly
- “Missing zz inserted” - LaTeX thinks you forgot something

### Learning:

- Syntax tables easily found online
- Search for your question - someone has probably already asked it!
- Consult a book like those by Grätzer - “[More Math into LaTeX](#)”
- Read your output files for errors and how it processes the files

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