

# Template literals and tagged templates

Absolutely! Let's dive deep into **Template Literals** and **Tagged Templates** in JavaScript.

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## ◆ Template Literals

Template literals are **string literals** that allow:

- Multi-line strings
- Expression interpolation
- Embedded expressions
- Tagged templates (advanced use)

## ◆ Syntax

Use **backticks** ( `` ) instead of quotes:

```
const name = "Abhi";
const greeting = `Hello, ${name}`;

console.log(greeting); // "Hello, Abhi!"
```

## ◆ Features of Template Literals

### 1. Multi-line Strings

```
const multiLine = `This is
a multi-line
string.`;
```

```
console.log(multiLine);
```

## 2. Expression Interpolation

You can embed any valid JS expression using `{}$` :

```
const a = 5;
const b = 10;
console.log(`The sum is ${a + b}`); // "The sum is 15"
```

## 3. Function calls in interpolation

```
function greet() {
  return "👋";
}
console.log(`Hello ${greet()}`); // "Hello 👋"
```

## ◆ Tagged Templates

**Tagged templates** are an advanced form of template literals where a **function processes** the template literal.

### ◆ Syntax

```
function tag(strings, ...values) {
  console.log(strings); // Array of literal strings
  console.log(values); // Interpolated values
}

const name = "Abhi";
const age = 22;

tag`My name is ${name} and I am ${age} years old. `;
```

## Output:

```
strings = ["My name is ", " and I am ", " years old."]
values = ["Abhi", 22]
```

You can use this to:

- Sanitize input
- Translate content
- Format output
- Escape HTML

### ◆ Example: Custom Formatter Tag

```
function highlight(strings, ...values) {
  return strings.reduce((acc, str, i) => `${acc}${str}<b>${values[i] ?? ''}</b>`,
  "");
}

const lang = "JavaScript";
const result = highlight`I love ${lang} so much!`;

console.log(result); // I love <b>JavaScript</b> so much!
```

### ◆ Real-world Use Cases

Use Case	Example
HTML escaping	Prevent XSS with custom <code>html</code> tag function
Localization	Create <code>i18n</code> tagged functions for translation
Logging/Debugging	Tagged loggers to format output
Styling in CSS-in-JS	Styled-components in React uses tagged templates

## Summary

Feature	Template Literal	Tagged Template
Basic Syntax	`Hello, \${name}`	tag`Hello, \${name}`
Multi-line support		
Expression support		 (via values array)
Function control		 (your function processes values)
Use case	Readable strings	Custom parsing, formatting, escaping

Would you like a **quiz**, **code practice**, or an **example project** using tagged templates (e.g. styled-components in React)?