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\pausing   [⟨*number*⟩ parameter]

If this parameter is greater than zero, T<small>E</small>X will pause at each line of input to give you an opportunity to replace it with a different line. If you type in a replacement, T<small>E</small>X will use that line instead of the original one; if you respond with ⟨return⟩, T<small>E</small>X will use the original line.

Setting \pausing to 1 can be useful as a way of patching a document as T<small>E</small>X is processing it. For example, you can use this facility to insert \show commands (see below).