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HTML <meta> charset Attribute

HTML < meta > tag

Example

Specify the character encoding for the HTML document:

```
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  </head>
```

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Definition and Usage

The charset attribute specifies the character encoding for the HTML document.

Browser Support

Attribute					
charset	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Syntax

<meta charset="character_set">

Attribute Values

Value	Description		
character_set	Specifies the character encoding for the HTML document.		
	Common values:		
	 UTF-8 - Character encoding for Unicode ISO-8859-1 - Character encoding for the Latin alphabet 		
	In theory, any character encoding can be used, but no browser understands all of them. The more widely a character encoding is used, the better the chance that a browser will understand it.		
	To view all available character encodings, look at <u>IANA character</u> <u>sets</u> .		

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