**HTML Paragraphs**

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A paragraph is defined by the HTML <p> element.

A paragraph always begins on a new line, and browsers add white space (a margin) before and after each paragraph.

Example

<p>This is a paragraph.</p>  
<p>This is another paragraph.</p>

**HTML Display**

You have no control over how HTML is displayed.

Different results will be produced by large or small screens, as well as resized windows.

You can't change the appearance of HTML by adding extra spaces or lines to the code.

When the page is displayed, the browser will automatically remove any extra spaces and lines:

Example

<p>  
This paragraph  
contains a lot of lines  
in the source code,  
but the browser  
ignores it.  
</p>  
  
<p>  
This paragraph  
contains         a lot of spaces  
in the source         code,  
but the        browser  
ignores it.  
</p>

**HTML Horizontal Rules**

The <hr> tag is used to create a thematic break in an HTML page, and it's most commonly seen as a horizontal rule.

In an HTML page, the <hr> element is used to separate content (or define a change):

Example

<h1>This is heading 1</h1>  
<p>This is some text.</p>  
<hr>  
<h2>This is heading 2</h2>  
<p>This is some other text.</p>  
<hr>

The <hr> tag is an empty tag, which means that it has no end tag.

**HTML Line Breaks**

The HTML <br> element defines a line break.

Use <br> if you want a line break (a new line) without starting a new paragraph:

Example

<p>This is<br>a paragraph<br>with line breaks.</p>

The <br> tag is an empty tag, which means that it has no end tag.

**The Poem Problem**

This poem will display on a single line:

Example

<p>  
  My Bonnie lies over the ocean.  
  
  My Bonnie lies over the sea.  
  
  My Bonnie lies over the ocean.  
  
  Oh, bring back my Bonnie to me.  
</p>

**Solution - The HTML <pre> Element**

Preformatted text is defined by the HTML <pre> element.

The text within a <pre> element is displayed in a fixed-width font (usually Courier), with spaces and line breaks preserved:

Example

<pre>  
  My Bonnie lies over the ocean.  
  
  My Bonnie lies over the sea.  
  
  My Bonnie lies over the ocean.  
  
  Oh, bring back my Bonnie to me.  
</pre>

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**HTML Tag Reference**

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| **Tag** | **Description** |
| [<p>](https://www.w3schools.com/tags/tag_p.asp) | Defines a paragraph |
| [<hr>](https://www.w3schools.com/tags/tag_hr.asp) | Defines a thematic change in the content |
| [<br>](https://www.w3schools.com/tags/tag_br.asp) | Inserts a single line break |
| [<pre>](https://www.w3schools.com/tags/tag_pre.asp) | Defines pre-formatted text |