Here strings is just like [here documents](https://bash.cyberciti.biz/guide/Here_documents) and syntax is:

command <<<$word

OR

command arg1 <<<"$word"

The $word (a shell [variable](https://bash.cyberciti.biz/guide/Variables)) is expanded and supplied to the command on its [standard input](https://bash.cyberciti.biz/guide/Standard_input). The following [wc command](https://bash.cyberciti.biz/guide/Wc_command" \o "Wc command) will count words from given argument:

wc -w <<< "This is a test."

Sample outputs:

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