Differences between HTML4 and HTML5

New Doctype Declaration

HTML4

<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">

HTML5

<!DOCTYPE html>

New Elements

Structural Elements

<header>, <footer>, <section>, <article>, <aside>, <nav>

Media Elements

<audio>, <video>

Interactive Elements

<details>, <summary>, <dialog>

Deprecated Elements

Some elements from HTML4 are not supported in HTML5:

<center>, , <big>, <strike>, <tt>, and others.

Form Enhancements

New Input Types

email, url, number, range, date, datetime-local, month, week, time, search, color

New Attributes

placeholder, required, autofocus, pattern, min, max, step

Multimedia Support

HTML5 provides native support for audio and video without requiring plugins:

Audio

<audio> element with controls, autoplay, and loop attributes.

Video

<video> element with controls, autoplay, loop, and poster attributes.

Graphics

HTML5 introduces new APIs for drawing and manipulating graphics:

Canvas API

<canvas> element for drawing graphics using JavaScript.

SVG Support

Improved support for Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG).

Scripting

JavaScript API

HTML5 includes several new JavaScript APIs, such as the Geolocation API, Web Storage API, Web Workers, and WebSockets.

Event Handling

Enhanced event handling capabilities.

Deprecated Attributes

Several attributes from HTML4 are no longer supported:

Frame-related attributes

frameborder, scrolling, marginwidth, marginheight.

Formatting attributes

align, bgcolor, border, cellpadding, cellspacing.

Local Storage

HTML5 provides two new ways to store data on the client-side:

LocalStorage

Allows storing data with no expiration date.

SessionStorage

Allows storing data for the duration of the page session.

Better Error Handling

HTML5 is designed to handle errors more gracefully, making it easier for developers to create robust applications.

Enhanced Accessibility

HTML5 includes several new features to improve accessibility:

ARIA (Accessible Rich Internet Applications)

Provides roles and properties to make web content more accessible.

Mobile Device Support

 ${\rm HTML5}$ is designed with mobile devices in mind, providing features for responsive design and touch events.