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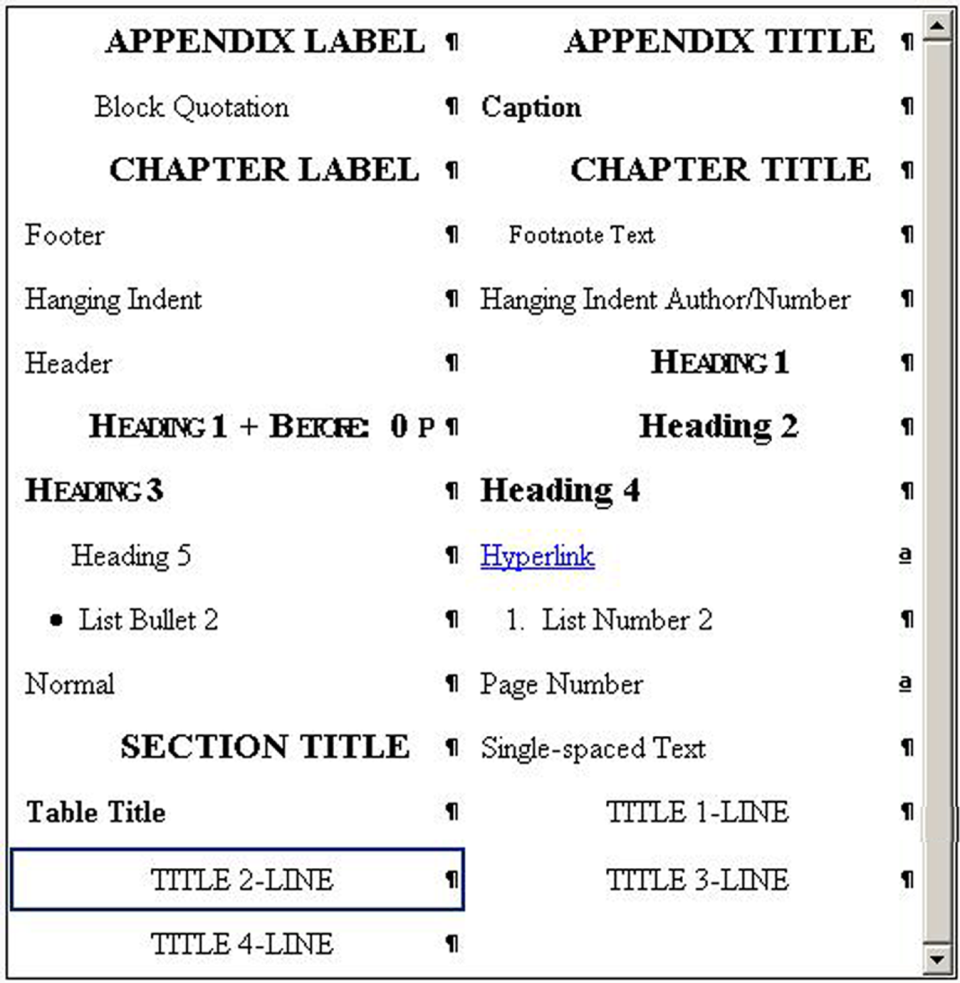


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| Sample Location | # of Samples | Type of Fungi | Relative Humidity, Temperature | Sampling Time |
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