


Markdown Cheat Sheet for UX Writers



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Markdown is a simple, lightweight markup language that helps you format text quickly—perfect for UX writers working in docs, design systems, or developer collaboration. Here’s a handy cheat sheet covering the essentials.

1. Headings

Structure your content with hierarchy.

```
# Heading 1 (H1)
## Heading 2 (H2)
### Heading 3 (H3)
#### Heading 4 (H4)
```

Example:

```
# Onboarding Guide
## Step 1: Sign Up
### Create Your Profile
```

2. Text Formatting

Emphasize key points with bold, italics, and more.

Style	Syntax	Example Output
Bold	<code>**text**</code> or <code>__text__</code>	Important!
<i>Italic</i>	<code>*text*</code> or <code>_text_</code>	<i>Note: This is optional.</i>
Strikethrough	<code>~~text~~</code>	Old feature
Inline Code	<code>`code`</code>	Click "Save"

Example:

```
**Warning:** Do not *delete* this file. Use `rm -rf` carefully.
```

3. Lists

Organize steps, features, or bullet points.

Unordered Lists

- Item 1
- Item 2
 - Nested item (indent with 2 spaces)

Ordered Lists


1. First step
2. Second step
 1. Sub-step

Example:

- ****Required Fields:****
 - Email
 - Password
- 1. ****Sign Up****
- 2. ****Verify Email****

4. Links & Images

Add clickable links and embed images.

Element	Syntax	Output
Link	<code>[text](URL)</code>	Google
Image	<code>![alt text](image URL)</code>	

Example:

```
[Contact Support](#) or check the ![Help Icon](help-icon.png).
```

5. Tables

Structure data in a readable format.

```
| Column 1 | Column 2 |
|-----|-----|
| Row 1, Cell 1 | Row 1, Cell 2 |
| Row 2, Cell 1 | Row 2, Cell 2 |
```

Example:

```
| Button Text | Action |
|-----|-----|
| **Save** | Stores changes |
| **Cancel** | Discards input |
```

6. Code Blocks

Share snippets or UI labels clearly.

Inline Code:

```
`Click "Submit"` → Click "Submit"
```

Multiline Code:

```
```javascript
console.log("Hello, world!");
```
```

Example for UX Writing:

```
```plaintext
Error: Invalid email format.
```
```

7. Blockquotes

Highlight notes or warnings.

```
> **Note:** Passwords must be 8+ characters.
```

Output:

Note: Passwords must be 8+ characters.

8. Horizontal Rule

Separate sections visually.

```
***
---
```

Output:

This is some content before horizontal line.

This is some content after horizontal line.

9. Escaping Special Characters

Use `\` before a symbol to display it literally.

```
\*This won't italicize\* → *This won't italicize*
```

10. Advanced (Useful for UX Writers)

Task Lists (GitHub-flavored)

- [x] Write onboarding copy
- [] Review with legal

Variables (For localization)

```
Hello, {{user_name}}! Your cart has {{item_count}} items.
```

Where to Practice Markdown?

- [Typora](#) (Simple editor)
- [VS Code](#) (With Markdown preview)
- [StackEdit](#) (Online)
- [GitHub/GitLab](#) (For docs)

Why UX Writers Love Markdown

✔ No formatting fights – Plain text = fewer inconsistencies.

✔ Works everywhere – Docs, Figma, GitHub, Notion, Slack.

✔ Developer-friendly – Easy to version-control (Git).

Pro Tip: Save this cheat sheet as `README.md` for quick reference! 🚀

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