

# My First Heading

My first paragraph. The declaration specifically identifies the document as HTML5 because it was introduced as part of the HTML5 specification. In previous versions of HTML (like HTML4 or HTML3), the DOCTYPE declarations were more complex and different. Let me explain how they differ. HTML4 and Earlier In HTML4 (and earlier), the DOCTYPE declaration was used to define which version of HTML and which "Document Type Definition" (DTD) the page was using. This was important for making sure the browser rendered the document according to the correct version of the HTML standard. It also distinguished between "strict," "transitional," and "frameset" modes of the language. "é", "ä", or even the "€" symbol might break or show up as "�" if the wrong encoding is used. Here's an example of a DOCTYPE for HTML4.