# Paragraphs

In this lesson, we will study how to set paragraph styles in CSS. Let's begin!

You can style the outlook of paragraphs with the `line-height`, `text-align`, and `text-indent` properties, as shown in Listing 10-3.

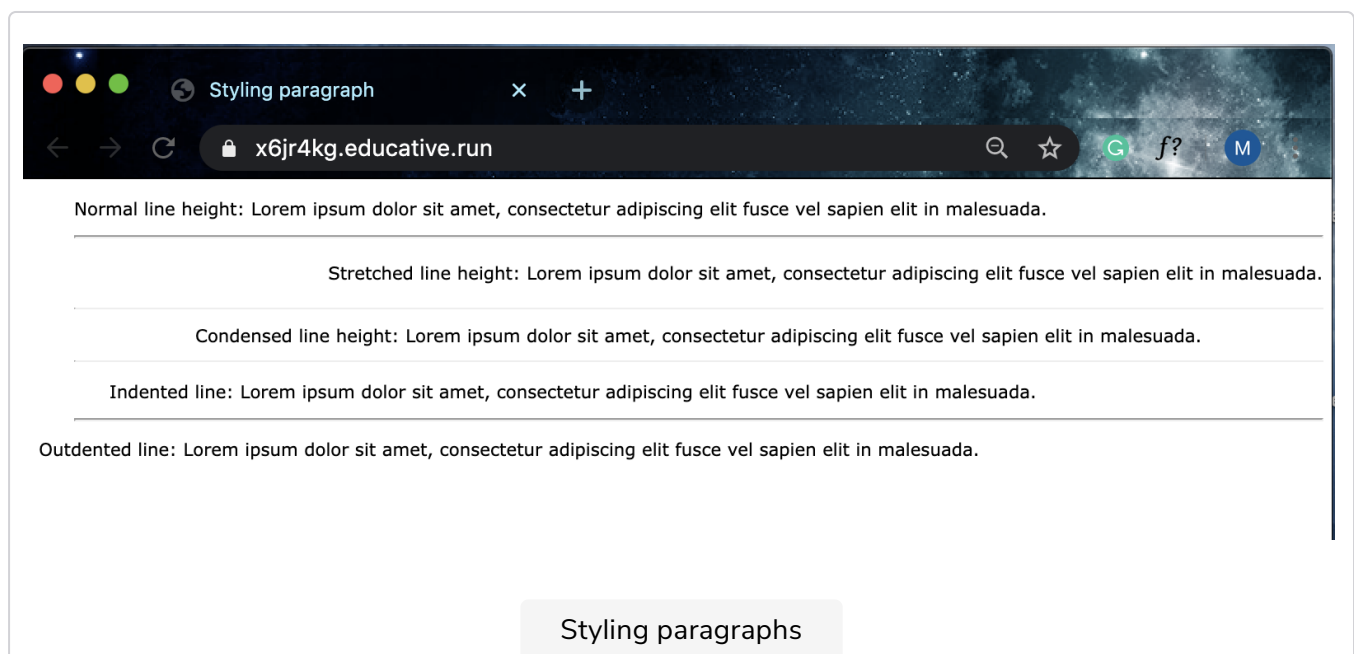## Listing 10-3: Styling paragraphs #

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<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Styling paragraph</title>
  <style>
    body {
      font-family: Verdana, Arial, sans-serif;
      margin-left: 48px;
    }
    .stretched-line {
      line-height: 200%;
      text-align: right;
    }
    .condensed-line {
      line-height: 90%;
      text-align: center;
    }
    .indented-line {
      text-indent: 32px;
      text-align: justify;
    }
    .outdented-line {
      text-indent: -32px;
      text-align: justify;
    }
  </style>
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</p>
</body>
</html>
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The image below demonstrates the effect of styles in this listing. The body style uses a $48 - pixel$ margin at the left so that you can recognize the positive and negative indents in the last two paragraphs.



Styling paragraphs

In the *next lesson,* we will learn how to style lists in CSS.