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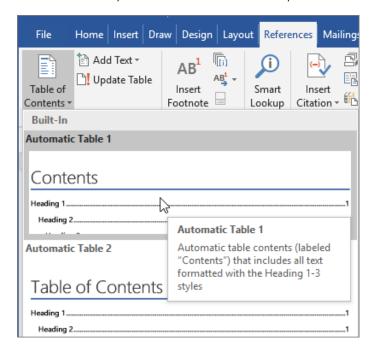
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To add a TOC (short for *table of contents*), just decide where you want it. Word will do the heavy lifting.

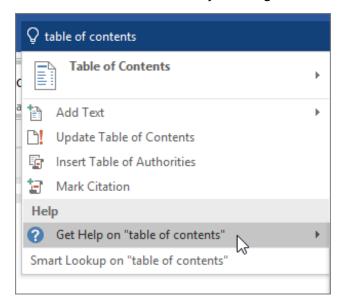
Try It: Hit Enter after the first paragraph in this doc to get a new line. Then, go to the **References** tab, select **Table of Contents**, and choose a TOC from the gallery.



Voila! Word found all the headings in this document and added a TOC.

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For example, type:

- table of contents to quickly get to the Table of Contents options and other TOC help topics
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