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You can format your text using wiki markup. This consists of normal characters like asterisks, single quotes or equation marks which have a special function in the wiki, sometimes depending on their position. For example, to format a word in *italic*, you include it in two single quotes like `' 'this'`

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Text formatting markup

Description	You type	You get
	character formatting - <i>applies anywhere</i>	
Italic text	<code>' 'italic'</code>	<i>italic</i>
Bold text	<code>'''bold'''</code>	bold
Bold and italic	<code>''''bold & italic''''</code>	<i>bold & italic</i>
Escape wiki markup	<code><nowiki>no ' 'markup' '</nowiki></code>	no "markup"
	section formatting - <i>only at the beginning of the line</i>	
Headings of different levels	<code>=level 1=</code>	Level 1
	<code>==level 2==</code>	Level 2
	<code>===level 3===</code>	Level 3
	<code>====level 4====</code>	Level 4
	<code>=====level 5=====</code>	Level 5
	<code>=====level 6=====</code>	Level 6
	An article with four or more headings will automatically create a table of contents.	
Horizontal rule	<code>----</code>	
Bullet list	<code>* one</code>	• one
	<code>* two</code>	• two
	<code>* three</code>	• three
	<code>** three point one</code>	◆ three p
	<code>** three point two</code>	◆ three p
	Inserting a blank line will end the first list and start another.	
Numbered list	<code># one</code>	
	<code># two
spanning several lines
without breaking the numbering</code>	
	<code># three</code>	
	<code>## three point one</code>	1. one

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	<pre>## three point two</pre>	
Definition list	<pre>;item 1 :definition 1 ;item 2 :definition 2-1 :definition 2-2</pre>	2. two spanning several lines without breaking numbering 3. three 1. three point one 2. three point two item 1 definition 1 item 2 definition 2-1 definition 2-2 Single indent Double indent
Adopting definition list to indent text	<pre>:Single indent ::Double indent ::::Multiple indent</pre> This adoption may be controversial from the viewpoint of accessibility.	

Mixture of different types of list	<pre># one # two #* two point one #* two point two # three #; three item one #: three def one # four #: four def one #: this rather looks like the continuation of # four #: and thus often used instead of
 # five ## five sub 1 ### five sub 1 sub 1 ## five sub 2 ;item 1 :* definition 1-1 :* definition 1-2 : ;item 2 :# definition 2-1 :# definition 2-2</pre> The usage of # : and * : for breaking a line within an item may also be controversial.	1. one 2. two ◆ two point one ◆ two point two 3. three - three item one - three definition one 4. four - four definition one - this rather looks like the continuation of # four - the continuation of # four - and thus often used instead of
 5. five 1. five sub 1 1 2. five sub 2 item 1 ◆ definition 1-1 ◆ definition 1-2 item 2 1. definition 2-1 2. definition 2-2 preformatted text is done with a space at the
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`''beginning''` of the line

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This way of preformatting only applies to section formatting, and character formatting markups are still effective.

Paragraphs

MediaWiki ignores normal line breaks. To start a new paragraph, leave an empty line. You can force a line break within a paragraph with the HTML tags `<br />`.

HTML

Some HTML tags are allowed in MediaWiki, for example `<code>`, `<div>`, `<span>` and `<font>`. These apply anywhere you insert them.

Description	You type	You get
Strikethrough	<code>Strikethrough</code>	Strikethrough
Fixed width text	<code><tt>Fixed width text</tt></code>	Fixed width text
Blockquotes	<pre> text <blockquote> quote quote quote quote quote quote </blockquote> text text text text text text text text text text text text </pre>	quote quote quote quote quote quote quote quote text text text text text text text text text text
Comment	<code><!--This is comment--></code>	text
Completely preformatted text	<code><pre>this way, all markups are '''ignored'''</pre></code>	this way, all markups are

 **Tip for wiki admins:** If you trust your users you can allow full HTML by setting `$wgRawHtml = true;` in `LocalSettings.php`.

Other formatting

Beyond the text formatting markup shown above, here are some other formatting references:

- [Links](#)
- [Images](#)
- [Tables](#)