

HTML <header> Tag for Header Content

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The <header> Tag in HTML 5

The <header> tag is one of the [heading tags in HTML](#).

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<header> Tag Syntax

Rules for coding HTML **header** elements

```
<a mode="pre" href=" ../body-tag/index.html#syntax"><body></a>
...
<a mode="pre" href=" ../html-tag-list.html#flow-content-model">... flow content expected ...
<b mode="pre"><header></b>
  <a mode="pre" href=" ../definitions/index.html#flow-content">... flow content ...</a>
  <b mode="pre"></header></b>
...
</body>
```

1. Inside an element where [flow content](#) is allowed, code one or more optional **header** elements.
2. Begin each **header** element with a starting <header> tag. The element name uses lower case letters and should be in the [HTML namespace](#), which it will pick up automatically from the [xmlns attribute](#) on the <html> tag.
3. Include any [HTML global attributes on the <header> tag](#) as appropriate.
4. End the **header** element with a matching </header> closing tag.
5. Inside the **header** element, code the appropriate [flow content](#).

<header> Content Model

Content of the <header> Tag

The content of the **header** element can include [HTML comments](#), [text content](#) and any [tags that can be used in flow content](#) except for other <header> tags or <footer> tags.

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<header> Tag Attributes

Attributes of the <header> tag

global attributes	The only attributes that can be coded on the <header> tag are the common HTML attributes .
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<header> Tag Examples

Examples of the `header` tag in HTML 5

Header for the body of a page:

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Page Title</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <header>
      <h1>Page Title</h1>
    </header>
    ...
  </body>
</html>
```

It is common to use the same `Page Title` for both the `<title>` tag and the first heading `<h1>` tag.

Header for a subsection of a page:

```
<section>
  <header>
    <h2>Subsection Title</h2>
  </header>
  ...
</section>
```

Section header with multiple heading lines:

```
<section>
  <header>
    <hgroup>
      <h2>Section Title</h2>
      <h3>Section Subtitle</h3>
    </hgroup>
  </header>
  ...
</section>
```

The `<hgroup>` tag associates the `<h3>` heading with the `<h2>` section rather than starting a new implied subsection.

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Changes in HTML 5 - <header> Tag

What's new in HTML 5

The <header> tag is one of the new elements in HTML 5. It is one of the [new sectioning tags in HTML 5](#), which are intended to reduce the need to use [<div> tags](#) for sectioning purposes.

Differences between HTML 5 and earlier versions of HTML

The <header> tag did not exist in older versions of HTML.

The [2000-2010 Recommendations from the W3C HTML Working Group](#) defined the [HTML namespace](#) for the names of all [HTML element types](#), which now includes the **header** element name. In older (pre-2000) [versions of HTML](#), element type names were not associated with a namespace.

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