

# HTML <hgroup> Heading Group Tag

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## The <hgroup> Tag in HTML 5

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

Only one of the [heading tags](#) in an **hgroup** element contributes to the current [section outline](#), namely the highest level (<h1> before <h2>, etc.) heading and then the first one of those if there is more than one heading with the same level heading tag.

Level	HTML Code		Level	HTML Code
Level 1	<pre>&lt;hgroup&gt;   &lt;h1&gt;... outline heading ...&lt;/h1&gt;   &lt;h2&gt;... additional heading ...&lt;/h2&gt;   ... &lt;/hgroup&gt;</pre>	Level 4	<pre>&lt;hgroup&gt;   &lt;h4&gt;... outline heading ...&lt;/h4&gt;   &lt;h5&gt;... additional heading ...&lt;/h5&gt;   ... &lt;/hgroup&gt;</pre>	
Level 2	<pre>&lt;hgroup&gt;   &lt;h2&gt;... outline heading ...&lt;/h2&gt;   &lt;h3&gt;... additional heading ...&lt;/h3&gt;   ... &lt;/hgroup&gt;</pre>	Level 5	<pre>&lt;hgroup&gt;   &lt;h5&gt;... outline heading ...&lt;/h5&gt;   &lt;h6&gt;... additional heading ...&lt;/h6&gt;   ... &lt;/hgroup&gt;</pre>	
Level 3	<pre>&lt;hgroup&gt;   &lt;h3&gt;... outline heading ...&lt;/h3&gt;   &lt;h4&gt;... additional heading ...&lt;/h4&gt;   ... &lt;/hgroup&gt;</pre>	Level 6	<pre>&lt;hgroup&gt;   &lt;h6&gt;... outline heading ...&lt;/h6&gt;   &lt;h6&gt;... additional heading ...&lt;/h6&gt;   ... &lt;/hgroup&gt;</pre>	

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## <hgroup> Tag Syntax

### Rules for coding HTML **hgroup** 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 ...
<a mode="pre" href="../hgroup-tag/index.html#syntax"><hgroup></a>
  <b mode="pre"><h1></b><a mode="pre" href=".../definitions/index.html#phrasing-content"
  ...
  </hgroup>
  ...
</body>
```

1. Inside an element where [flow content](#) is allowed, code one or more optional **hgroup** elements.
2. Begin each **hgroup** element with a starting <hgroup> 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 <hgroup> tag](#) as appropriate.
4. End the element with a matching </hgroup> closing tag.
5. Inside the heading element, code one or more [HTML heading tags](#).

## <aside> Content Model

### Content of the <aside> Tag

The inner HTML of the **hgroup** element is restricted to [HTML comments](#) and only the [HTML heading tags](#).

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## <hgroup> Tag Attributes

### Attributes of the <hgroup> tag

<a href="#">global attributes</a>	The only attributes that can be coded on the <hgroup> tag are the <a href="#">common HTML attributes</a> .
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## <hgroup> Heading Group Tag Examples

### Examples of the **hgroup** tag in HTML 5

#### Clear after a floating image so headings do not flow around it

You can float an image with [style="float: left"](#) or [style="float: right"](#) then follow it with headings. If you try to position the headings below the image with [style="clear: both"](#), some browsers (Chrome, Safari) will move the headings below the image while other browsers (Firefox, Opera) will flow the headings around the image. For example:

```
<<a mode="pre" href=" ../img-tag/">img</a>   src="/images/mathml.png" alt="" <b mode="pre">style="float: left; border: 1px solid gray; padding: 6px; margin: 0 12px 8px 0"></img>
<a mode="pre" href=" ../p-tag/">p</a>   >This is the text that flows to the right of the floating image.
<hgroup <b mode="pre">style="clear: both"</b>   >
  <a mode="pre" href=" ../heading-tags/">h3</a>   >This Is A Heading That Should Appear After The Image
  <a mode="pre" href=" ../heading-tags/">h4</a>   >It Is Followed By Another Heading That Is Just A Little Longer
</hgroup>
```

View this in Firefox or Opera to see what happens:

```
</img>
```

This is the text that flows to the right of the floating image.

### This Is A Heading That Should Appear After The Image

### It Is Followed By Another Heading That Is Just A Little Longer

To make it look consistent in all browsers, code [display: block](#) in the [style attribute](#) to make sure the element with the [clear: both](#) style is rendered as a [block element](#). Now that

the position of the headings is correct, code a [text-align: center](#) style to center the headings if desired.

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<a mode="pre" href="../p-tag/">p</a>   >This is the text that flows to the right of the floating image.
<hgroup <b mode="pre">style="display: block; clear: both; text-align: center"</b> >
  <a mode="pre" href="../heading-tags/">h3</a>   >This Is A Heading That Should Appear After The Image
  <a mode="pre" href="../heading-tags/">h4</a>   >It Is Followed By Another Heading That Is Just A Little Longer
</hgroup>
```

```
</img>
```

This is the text that flows to the right of the floating image.

**This Is A Heading That Should Appear After The Image**

**It Is Followed By Another Heading That Is Just A Little Longer**

Of course the styles can be put into a [CSS Style Sheet](#), possibly with a [class selector](#).

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## Changes in HTML 5 - <hgroup> Tag

### What's new in HTML 5

The <hgroup> tag is one of the new elements in HTML 5.

### Differences between HTML 5 and earlier versions of HTML

The <hgroup> 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 **hgroup** element name. In older (pre-2000) [versions of HTML](#), element type names were not associated with a namespace.

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