\texttt{\LaTeX} for Beginners

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WYSIWYG tools

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Where to get it?

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- **help**: TeX User’s Group http://www.tug.org (Getting Started, FAQ), newsgroup: comp.text.tex (specific questions)
Local Help

1. Check out the local \TeX{} website at http://lts.unet.brandeis.edu/research/tools/tex.html
2. Ask to join the Brandeis-Boston \TeX{} User Group mailing list: https://lists.brandeis.edu/wws/subrequest/TeX
3. Ask me by emailing me at texlatex@brandeis.edu
Basic formatting commands

‘‘Emphasized text is marked with \emph{to show that it is something important} (with italic correction).’’

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Some Accented Characters

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(LATEX also reads unicode, so you may not need to use these commands.)
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<th>Enter</th>
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Environments

\begin{enumerate}
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Other common environments: itemize, verse, quotation, center, tabular, verbatim.
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Footnotes, endnotes, marginal notes

- \footnote{footnote text}
- \endnote{endnote text}
- \marginpar{marginal note}
Making Tables: Placing the Table

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\caption{default}
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\label{tab:example}
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Fractions

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\frac{\text{numerator}}{\text{denominator}}
\end{equation}

numerator
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(1)
# Other Math Symbols

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Class and Style Files

Thousands of style files are available at CTAN for special purposes such as chemical formulas, Feynmann diagrams, recipe books, slides, or business cards.

Class files are available for kinds of documents: letters, CVs, music.
**Multiple Languages**

\texttt{\LaTeX} will follow the hyphenation rules of any language, and will adjust the names of “Chapter” or “Bibliography” to suit the language.

\begin{verbatim}
\usepackage[german,italian]{babel}
\selectlanguage{german}
\iflanguage{language}{iftrue}{iffalse}
\end{verbatim}
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Example Counter

From `chemno.sty`:

```
\newcounter{chemnum}
\newwrite\chem@out
\immediate\openout\chem@out\jobname.chemno
\def\chemno#1{\refstepcounter{chemnum}%
   \label{#1}\immediate\write\chem@out%
   {\thechemnum}{#1}{\thepage}}}%
\def\cref#1{\textbf{\ref{#1}}}
```

Thanks to Toby Sommer.
Usage of \texttt{chemno}

This input:

\texttt{Ketone \texttt{\chemno{ketoneA}} was coupled with previously prepared bromide \texttt{\chemno{vinylbromide}} (Scheme \texttt{\ref{bromoprep}}) to produce the desired allylic alcohol \texttt{\chemno{allylalcAB}}}

Yields this output:

\texttt{Ketone 22 was coupled with previously prepared bromide 6 (Scheme 2) to produce the desired allylic alcohol 28.}
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Making an Index from Galleys

To make an index from somebody else's galleys create the .idx intermediate file:

- \indexentry{animal}{5}
- \indexentry{animal@\emph{animal}}{5}
- \indexentry{animal!cat}{5}

Run MakeIndex to generate the .ind file, then read it in to a dummy file with \printindex.
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    author = {Ahlstrom, Sydney E.},
    title = {A Religious History of the American People},
    address = {New Haven},
    publisher = {Yale University Press},
    year = 1972,
}

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A more complex .bib entry

```latex
@inCollection{Brandwood1992,
    author = {Brandwood, Leonard},
    title = {Stylometry and Chronology},
    booktitle = {The Cambridge Companion to Plato},
    address = {New York},
    publisher = {Cambridge University Press},
    year = 1992,
    crossref = {Kraut1992},
}
```
Using a Bibliography

• for the preamble:
  \usepackage{chicago}

• inline citation in the body:
  \cite{Ahlstrom1972}

• no inline citation in the body:
  \nocite{Ahlstrom1972}
Printing the Bibliography

To put where you wish the bibliography to appear:

- specify the style:
  \bibliographystyle{chicago}

- select cited entries from lincoln.bib and typeset them here:
  \bibliography{lincoln}
Further Reading

- Donald Knuth, *The TeXbook*, Addison Wesley 1984 ISBN 0201134489 (Despite the date, the absolutely crucial book. Knuth is the author of TeX.)