

# 5. Cheat Sheet

This cheat sheet provides a quick overview of all the Markdown syntax elements. It can't cover every edge case! If you need more information about any of these elements, refer back to the chapters on [basic](#) and [extended syntax](#).

## Basic Syntax

These are the elements outlined in John Gruber's original design document. All Markdown applications support these elements.

Element	Markdown Syntax
<a href="#">Heading</a>	<pre># H1 ## H2 ### H3</pre>
<a href="#">Bold</a>	<pre><b>**bold text**</b></pre>
<a href="#">Italic</a>	<pre><i>*italicized text*</i></pre>
<a href="#">Blockquote</a>	<pre>&gt; blockquote</pre>
<a href="#">Ordered List</a>	<pre>1. First item 2. Second item 3. Third item</pre>
<a href="#">Unordered List</a>	<pre>- First item - Second item - Third item</pre>
<a href="#">Code</a>	<pre>`code`</pre>
<a href="#">Horizontal Rule</a>	<pre>---</pre>
<a href="#">Link</a>	<pre>[title](https://www.example.com)</pre>
<a href="#">Image</a>	<pre>![alt text](image.jpg)</pre>

## Extended Syntax

These elements extend the basic syntax by adding additional features. Not all Markdown applications support these elements.

Element	Markdown Syntax
Table	<pre>  Syntax   Description     -----   -----     Header   Title     Paragraph   Text  </pre>
Fenced Code Block	<pre>``` {   "firstName": "John",   "lastName": "Smith",   "age": 25 } ```</pre>
Footnote	<pre>Here's a sentence with a footnote. [<sup>1</sup>]  [<sup>1</sup>]: This is the footnote.</pre>
Heading ID	<pre>### My Great Heading {#custom-id}</pre>
Definition List	<pre>term : definition</pre>
Strikethrough	<pre>~~The world is flat.~~</pre>
Task List	<pre>- [x] Write the press release - [ ] Update the website - [ ] Contact the media</pre>