

`<!DOCTYPE html>`

`<html>`

`<head>`

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`</html>`

## html is like a hamburger

At the very top of your hamburger you have the stake holding all the goodness together. And, just like this stake may tell you how cooked your meat is, the DOCTYPE tag tells the web browser what language to expect to read on the webpage (in our case, html).

You have tags to open and close the html language surrounding all the other code the way a bun surrounds a hamburger.

Then the head tags are at the top like condiments. When your metadata is known they're really important but before we learn that, let's just keep them nice and thin like mustard and ketchup. Don't leave `<head>` and `</head>` out though!

`<header>` `</header>` and `<footer>` `</footer>` aren't introduced until your first website project is due. They're like the cheese that you add at the last moment, so it's melted perfectly. You'll put your navigation bar at the top of all your pages in the header and your Creative Commons license at the bottom of all your pages in the footer.

The most important part of the hamburger though is the meat and toppings. Be sure all the important content for the website goes between the body tags just like where the best part of a hamburger is.