Bold and *Italics*

Bold and Italics in XHTML

Strictly speaking, there are three different ways to bold or italicize text in XHTML:

1. Via CSS, using the "font-weight:bold" and "font-style:italic" styles.
2. By using the and ("emphasis") elements.
3. By using the <b> ("bold") and <i> ("italics") elements.

Do not use <b> or <i> in your XHTML documents. These are older elements that have been redefined in the newer HTML5 specification. They are mentioned here so that you will recognize them in older web pages.

The and Elements

***** (out-dated)*****

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<p>Normal text</p>
<p><strong>Text in Bold</strong></p>
<p><em>Text in Italics</em></p>
<p><strong><em>Text in Bold and Italics</em></strong></p>
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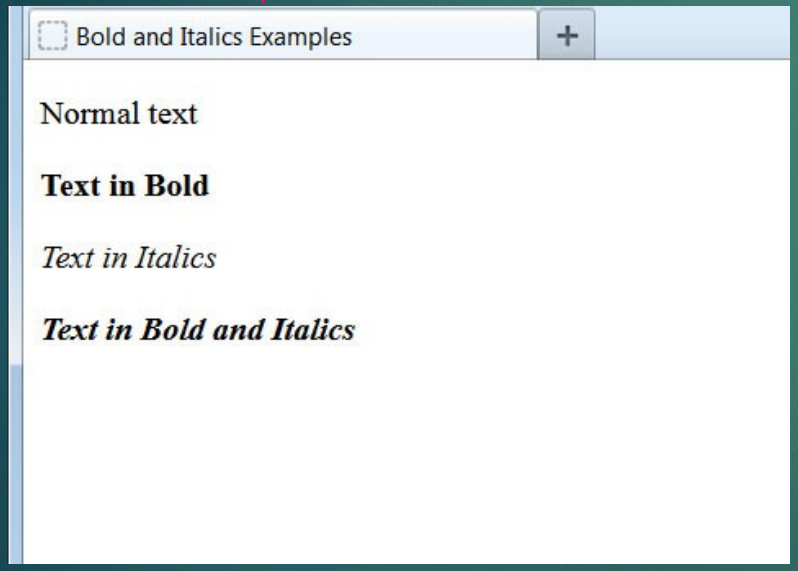

**** is generally used only when the enclosed text has a special meaning and should stand out on the page. One example would be a technical keyword.

**** is generally used only when the enclosed text has a special, emphasized meaning that would be spoken with a different voice inflection.

We will use only CSS to bold and italicize text in this course. We won't see or any further.

Bold and Italics via CSS

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<p>Normal text</p>
<p style="font-weight:bold;">Text in Bold</p>
<p style="font-style:italic;">Text in Italics</p>
<p style="font-weight:bold;font-style:italic;">Text in Bold and Italics</p>
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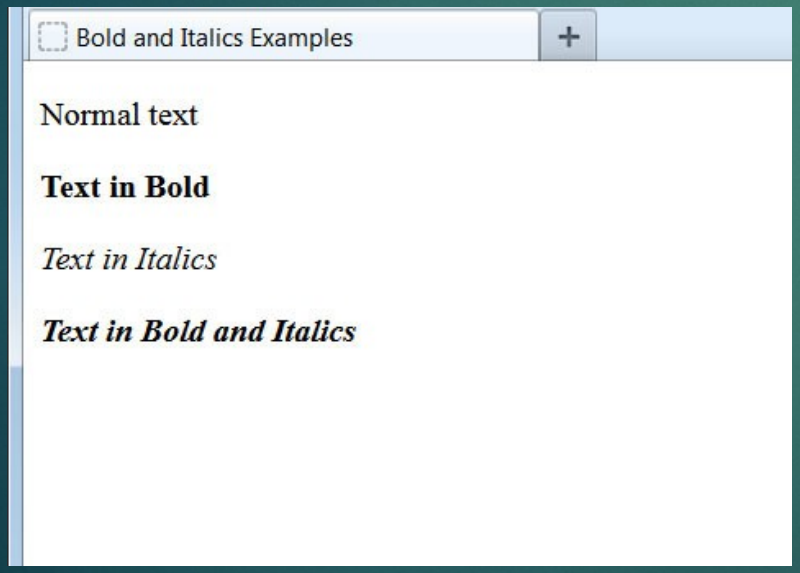

CSS is the preferred method of bolding and italicizing text on the page.