



The Handbook

Codex

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Template Tags/the content

Description

Displays the contents of the current post. This tag must be within [The_Loop](#).

If the quicktag `<!--more-->` is used in a post to designate the "cut-off" point for the post to be excerpted, the `_content()` tag will only show the excerpt up to the `<!--more-->` quicktag point on non-single/non-[permalink](#) post pages. By design, the `_content()` tag includes a parameter for formatting the `<!--more-->` content and look, which creates a link to "continue reading" the full post.

Note: *The `<!--more-->` Quicktag will not operate and is ignored if there is only one post being displayed.*

Usage

```
<?php the_content('more_link_text', strip_teaser, 'more_file'); ?>
```

Examples

Designating the "More" Text

Displays the content of the post and uses "Read on..." for the more link text when the `<!--more-->` Quicktag is used.

```
<?php the_content('Read on...'); ?>
```

Include Title in "More"

Similar to the above example, but thanks to [the_title\(\)](#) tag and the *title* parameter, it can show "Continue reading *ACTUAL POST TITLE*" when the `<!--more-->` Quicktag is used.

```
<?php the_content("Continue reading " . the_title('', '', false)); ?>
```

Parameters

`more_link_text`

(*string*) The link text to display for the "more" link. Defaults to ' (more...) '.

`strip_teaser`

(*boolean*) Should the "more" link be hidden (`TRUE`) or displayed (`FALSE`). Defaults to

FALSE.

more_file

(*string*) File the "more" link points to. Defaults to the current file.

Related

[the_ID](#), [the_title](#), [single_post_title](#), [the_title_rss](#), **the_content**, [the_content_rss](#),
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