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# Template Tags/the title

## ***Description***

Displays or returns the title of the current post. This tag must be within [The Loop](#).

## ***Usage***

```
<?php the_title('before', 'after', display); ?>
```

## ***Example***

```
<?php the_title('<h3>', '</h3>'); ?>
```

## ***Parameters***

before

(*string*) Text to place before the title. Defaults to ' '.

after

(*string*) Text to place after the title. Defaults to ' '.

display

(*Boolean*) Display the title (`TRUE`) or return it for use in PHP (`FALSE`). Defaults to `TRUE`.

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