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To use tabs, you want to use the "tabbing" environment. (This is all described on page 62 of the latex book). It's probably easiest to explain this by example:

```
\begin{tabbing}
If \= it's raining \\
\> then \= put on boots, \\
\> \> take hat; \\
\> or \> smile. \\
Leave house.
\end{tabbing}
```

This would produce:

```
If it's raining
    then put on boots
        take hat;
    or   smile.
Leave house.
```

Tab stops are set with the `\=` command, and `\>` moves to the next tab stop. Lines are separated by the `\\` command.

Here are some of the other commands that are available in this environment:

```
\+   Causes left margin of subsequent lines to be indented one tab stop to the right,
      just as if a \> command were added to the beginning of subsequent lines.
\-   Undoes the effect of a previous \+.
\'   Indents text flush right against the next tab stop.
```

For a full description of all the commands available in this environment, see Section C.9.1 of the LaTeX manual.