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If you want to put a small piece of text in a specific type style, you can do it as follows:

```
{\em This text will be in italics}

{\bf This text will be bold!}

{\tt This will be in a "typewriter font"}
```

If you want to put larger amounts of text into these type styles, you can use `\begin` and `\end` commands; i.e.:

```
\begin{em}
All this text
will
be italicized
\end{em}
```

If you want to be able to "stack" type styles (bold and italic, etc), then you need to use slightly different commands:

```
{\bffamily This is in bold {\em This is italic bold}}
```

OR

```
\textbf{This text is only bold but \emph{this} was also italics}
```

Not all combinations of styles will have a font associated with them.

More information is available in the document [LaTeX on Athena](#)