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To double space a LaTeX document, you should include the line

```
\usepackage{setspace}
```

after your `\documentclass` line.

Before your `\begin{document}` command,

```
\doublespacing
```

will make the text of the whole document double spaced. Footnotes, figures, and tables will still be singlespaced, however. For one-and-a-half spacing, instead use the command

```
\onehalfspacing
```

In order to make a part of the text of your document singlespaced, you can put:

```
\begin{singlespace}
```

at the beginning of the text you want singlespaced, and

```
\end{singlespace}
```

at the end.

You can also set the spacing to be something other than doublespaced; for example, if you wanted to have one-and-a-quarter spacing between lines, use the line

```
\setstretch{1.25}
```

before your `\begin{document}` command, and after the `\usepackage{setspace}` line.



There is another package, called "doublespace" which will usually work exactly the same way as setspace. However, it interacts poorly with some graphics packages.