Fonts & Typefaces

A typeface is a set of characters designed with a consistent visual style. A font is a typeface of a particular size (e.g., 12-point) and style (e.g., normal, bold or italic).

Serif vs. Sans-serif Typefaces

A **serif** typeface has decorative marks at the end of many strokes.



A **sans-serif** typeface does not have these extra marks.

"sans" = without.

quack

Proportional vs. Monospace Typefaces

In a **proportional** typeface, each glyph is as wide or narrow as it needs to be:

mmmmm iiiii



In a **monospace** typeface, each glyph is the same width:

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