

Drop Caps

Using ' [-ah-initial-letters](#) ', creates [Drop Capitals](#). Drop Capitals is a layout technique that enlarges the first character of a paragraph. This feature is available in AH Formatter V7.0 or later.

`-ah-initial-letters="3"`

Specify the letter size as 3 lines

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Fusce sit amet risus ut sapien vehicula aliquam molestie vitae lacus. In aliquam sem quis suscipit iaculis.

`-ah-initial-letters="3 adjacent"`

Indent all the lines in block

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`-ah-initial-letters="3"` (for image)

Image as initial letter



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Languages written right-to-left

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The height of the dropped initial is set to the cap-height or x-height of the first line by specifying '[-ah-initial-letters-first-line-head-height](#)'. However, some fonts do not have the cap-height and x-height information, so the dropped initial characters and the height of the first line will not match. In such a case, it can be adjusted by specifying in the [Font Configuration File](#) of Antenna House Formatter. For example, the setting in the font construction file is as follows:

```
<font-folder path="C:\*****">  
  <font-entry file="frank.ttf" cap-height="0.46"/>  
</font-folder>
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By adjusting in the Font Configuration File, the above sample changes as follows:

Result when adjusted:

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Result when not adjusted:

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In addition, various layouts can be created by combining the specifications for the dropped initial. For details, see [Drop Capitals](#) in the online manual, download this [HTML](#) and refer to it by using an editor.

Raised initial letter

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Fusce sit amet risus ut sapien vehicula aliquam molestie vitae lacus.

Change indent only for first line

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Language-specific letter selection

IJzel zorgt voor zeer gevaarlijke omstandigheden op de weg. IJzel zorgt voor zeer gevaarlijke omstandigheden op de weg.

Black ice creates very dangerous conditions on the road. Black ice creates very dangerous conditions on the road.

Combination with small-capitals

LOREM IPSUM dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Fusce sit amet risus ut sapien vehicula aliquam molestie vitae lacus. In aliquam sem quis suscipit iaculis. In vitae nibh volutpat, blandit mi at, cursus ipsum.

Individual color

Zorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Fusce sit amet risus ut sapien vehicula aliquam molestie vitae lacus.

Partially raised

gazing on that which seems to dim thy sight? What
seest thou there? King Henry's diadem, encased
with all the honours of the world? If so, gaze on,
and grovel on thy face, until thy head be circled
with the same.

Initial letter in vertical text

吾輩は猫である。名前
生れたかとんと見当がつかぬ。何でも薄暗いじめじめした所でニャーニャー泣いていた事だけは記憶している。吾輩はここで始めて人間というものを見た。しかもあとで聞くとそれは書生という人間中で一番獰悪な種族であったそうだ。この書生というのは時々我々を捕えて煮て食うという話である。しかしその当時は何とも考もなかつたから別段恐しいとは思わなかつた。