### Page.tpl.php Variables

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| $base_path | The base URL path of the Drupal installation. At the very least, this will always default to /.
| $css | An array of CSS files for the current page.
| $directory | The directory the theme is located in, e.g. themes/garland or themes/garland/minelli.
| $is_front | TRUE if the current page is the front page.
| $logged_in | TRUE if the user is registered and signed in.
| $is_admin | TRUE if the user has permission to access administrative pages.

### Page metadata

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| $language | (object) The language the site is being displayed in. $language->language contains its textual representation. $language->dir contains the language direction. It will either be 'lt' or 'rt'.
| $head_title | A modified version of the page title, for use in the TITLE tag.
| $head | Markup for the HEAD section (including meta tags, keyword tags, and so on).
| $styles | Style tags necessary to import all CSS files for the page.
| $scripts | Script tags necessary to load the JavaScript files and settings for the page.
| $body_classes | A set of CSS classes for the BODY tag. This contains flags indicating the current layout (multiple columns, single column), the current path, whether the user is logged in, and so on.

### Site identity

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| $front_page | The URL of the front page. Use this instead of $base_path, when linking to the front page. This includes the language domain or prefix.
| $logo | The path to the logo image, as defined in theme configuration.
| $site_name | The name of the site, empty when display has been disabled in theme settings.
| $site_slogan | The slogan of the site, empty when display has been disabled in theme settings.
| $mission | The text of the site mission, empty when display has been disabled in theme settings.

### Navigation

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| $search_box | HTML to display the search box, empty if search has been disabled.
| $primary_links (array) | An array containing primary navigation links for the site, if they have been configured.
| $secondary_links (array) | An array containing secondary navigation links for the site, if they have been configured.

### Page content (in order of occurrence in the default page.tpl.php)

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| $left | The HTML for the left sidebar.
| $breadcrumb | The breadcrumb trail for the current page.
| $title | The page title, for use in the actual HTML content.
| $help | Dynamic help text, mostly for admin pages.
| $messages | HTML for status and error messages. Should be displayed prominently.
| $tabs | Tabs linking to any sub-pages beneath the current page (e.g., the view and edit tabs when displaying a node).
| $content | The main content of the current Drupal page.
| $right | The HTML for the right sidebar.

### Footer/closing data

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| $feed_icons | A string of all feed icons for the current page.
| $footer_message | The footer message as defined in the admin settings.
| $footer | The footer region.
| $closure | Final closing markup from any modules that have altered the page. This variable should always be output last, after all other dynamic content.

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| $title | the (sanitized) title of the node.
| $content | Node body or teaser depending on $teaser flag.
| $picture | The authors picture of the node output from theme_user_picture().
| $date | Formatted creation date (use $created to reformat with format_date()).
| $links | Themed links like “Read more”, “Add new comment”, etc. output from theme_links().
| $name | Themed username of node author output from theme_user().
| $node_url | URL to the current node.
| $terms | the themed list of taxonomy term links output from theme_terms().
| $submitted | themed submission information output from theme_node_submitted().

### Other variables

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| $node | Full node object. Contains data that may not be safe.
| $type | Node type, i.e. story, page, blog, etc.
| $comment_count | Number of comments attached to the node.
| $uid | User ID of the node author.
| $created | Time the node was published formatted in Unix timestamp.
| $zebra | Outputs either "even" or "odd". Useful for zebra striping in teaser listings.
| $id | Position of the node. Increments each time it’s output.

### Node status variables

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| $teaser | Flag for the teaser state.
| $page | Flag for the full page state.
| $promote | Flag for front page promotion state.
| $sticky | Flags for sticky post setting.
| $status | Flag for published status.
| $comment | State of comment settings for the node.
| $readmore | Flags true if the teaser content of the node cannot hold the main body content.
| $is_front | Flags true when presented in the front page.
| $logged_in | Flags true when the current user is a logged-in member.
| $is_admin | Flags true when the current user is an administrator.

### Comment.tpl.php Variables

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| $author | Comment author. Can be link or plain text.
| $content | Body of the post.
| $date | Date and time of posting.
| $links | Various operational links.
| $new | New comment marker.
| $picture | Authors picture.
| $signature | Authors signature.
| $status | Comment status. Possible values are comment-unpublished, comment-published or comment-preview.
| $submitted | By line with date and time.
| $title | Linked title.

**These two variables are provided for context.**

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| $comment | Full comment object.
| $node | Node object the comments are attached to.

### Box.tpl.php Variables

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| $title | Box title.
| $content | Box content.
**Common Template Files** (http://drupal.org/node/171194)

- **Filename**
- **Description**
  - [themename].info: Meta data, style sheets, JavaScripts, block regions and more can be defined here.
  - page.tpl.php: main template file, controls the display of most content
  - template.php: all the conditional logic and data processing of the output
  - screenshot.png: thumbnail screenshot of the theme
  - logo.png: graphic file of the site's logo
  - node.tpl.php: controls node display
  - block.tpl.php: controls block display
  - comment.tpl.php: controls comment display
  - box.tpl.php: obscure and rarely used
  - page-front.tpl.php: used to display a custom front page

**Nodetype Template Files** (http://drupal.org/node/190815)

- node-[-nodetype].tpl.php


Adapted from: http://www.nerdiness.com/article/2007/09/10/drupal-theming

```html
<?php print $closure ?>

<?php if (!empty($help)): print $help; endif; ?>

<?php if (!empty($messages)): print $messages; endif; ?>

<?php if (!empty($title)): ?><h1 class="title" id="" />
<?php endif; ?>

<?php if (!empty($left)): ?>
<?php endif; ?>

<?php print theme('links', $primary_links, array(  
  'title' => $title,  
  'attributes' => array(  
    'rel' => 'prev',  
    'title' => $prev_page)  
  )  
  )  

<?php print $search_box; ?>

<?php if (!empty($search_box)): ?>

<title><?php print $head_title; ?></title>

<?php print $search_field; ?>

<?php print $search_results; ?>

<?php print $search_result_count; ?>

<?php print $search_box; ?>

<?php if (!empty($search_box)): ?>

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**Reference Links:**

- Drupal 6 theme guide: http://drupal.org/theme-guides/6
- How I converted my HTML template into a Drupal 6 theme: http://drupalauthority.com/node/52
- Theme developer module for Drupal 6 - Screencast: http://drupal.org/node/209561
- Overriding functions: http://drupal.org/node/173880#function-override
- Themeable functions: http://api.drupal.org/api/group/themeable
- Assigning content to regions: http://drupal.org/node/171224
- Theming Views 2 – The Basics: http://www.group42.ca/thinging_views_2_the_basics
- Create A Base Style.css File: http://mydrupalblog.lhmdesign.com/create-base-style-css-file
- Default baseline variables (available to all template files): http://drupal.org/node/226776
- Devel module: http://drupal.org/project/devel

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