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How to use

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1 Text structure

To structure your text, use sections and subsections. For each section, subsections should only be used, if there are more than one subsection.

Leave a blank line to start a new paragraph. Do not make use of double blackslashes to force a line break.

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<tr>
<td>Octopuses</td>
<td>Orange</td>
<td>LinkedIn</td>
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Table 1: The Cognitive Science Student Journal’s Favorites

Figure 1: Summary of all transformations, the first of which is a parallel transformation, the second a relative, and the last one a leading-tone transformation. Adapted with added chord names from “Essential Neo-Riemannian Theory for Today’s Musician” (Master’s Thesis), by L. F. Mason, 2003, University of Tennessee, *Tennessee Research and Creative Exchange (TRACE)*, p. 7 (https://trace.tennessee.edu/utk_gradthes/1646/). Copyright 2013 by Laura Felicity Mason.

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