

# TEI

TEI is a text markup standard created by the Text Encoding Initiative.

- **Type of collection:** Text collections intended for full-text searching in an online environment. Full text may or may not be intended to be used together with page images of the original document.
- **Appropriate metadata standard:** TEI P4
- **Example collection:** Indiana University, Wright American Fiction, 1851-1875 <<http://www.letrs.indiana.edu/web/w/wright2/>>
- **Resources to consult:** TEI Text Encoding in Libraries Guidelines for Best Encoding Practices <<http://www.indiana.edu/~letrs/tei/>>; TEI Guidelines <<http://www.tei-c.org/Guidelines2/index.htm/>>
- **Usage notes:** Choose an Encoding Level as described in the TEI Text Encoding in Libraries Guidelines for Best Encoding Practices. Bibliographic information for resource discovery is encoded in the TEI Header. The entire full text of the resource is marked up structurally in the bulk of the TEI document, and this markup is used for powerful full-text searching.

## An outline of TEI markup

```
<tei>
  <teihdr>
    <!-- lots of header stuff -->
  </teihdr>
  <body>
    <div>
      <p>Some text</p>
    </div>
  </body>
</tei>
```