



Full text page

Print at 100% (Actual size) with headers and footers turned off.

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A test page is the quickest way to see what your printer is really doing. This sheet is set like an ordinary document: plain paragraphs of body text in black, edge to edge across the printable area. Problems that hide on a colorful test pattern are easy to spot on a full page of words.

Look at the page from arm's length first. The gray of the text should look even from the top of the sheet to the bottom. A lighter band running across the page usually means some nozzles are not firing on an inkjet, or the toner is running low on a laser printer.

Next, hold the page at an angle to the light. Smears, shiny streaks or text that rubs off under your finger point to drying or fusing problems rather than missing ink. Faint copies of earlier lines further down the page are ghosting, which comes from the drum or fuser on a laser printer.

Then check the margins. The lines of text should sit square to the edge of the paper. If they slope, the paper fed in at an angle: check the paper guides and the pickup rollers. If the text is cut off or the rulers measure short, the page was scaled or the paper size setting does not match the paper.

Finally, read a few lines closely. Letters should have clean edges. Doubled or blurry letters on an inkjet usually mean the print head needs aligning. Fuzzy edges on a laser printer can come from damp paper or the wrong paper type setting.

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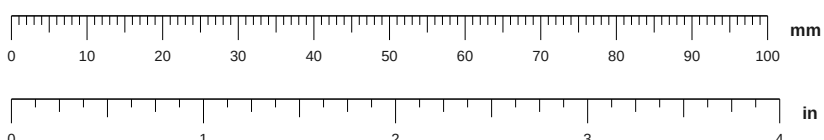
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Scale check

Measure both rulers. If they read 100 mm and 4 in, the page printed at true size. Each corner cross should sit 10 mm from both edges. A missing cross means cropping.

