Starting a new chapter further down the page.

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A change in the “document rendering engine” for Word introduced in Word 2013 made it hard to start a heading for a new chapter anywhere but at the top, especially using styles.

This document was prepared using Word 2016, which uses the new rendering system.

Andrew Lockton discovered that one way of dealing with this is to set a document in Word 2010 or earlier “compatibility mode.” See [this thread](http://www.msofficeforums.com/word/40577-set-heading-page-break-middle-page.html) on the Word Forum. This is not easy to do for the average user and may disable nice features introduced later.

Another method is to use a **Frame** as part of the **Style** definition. In this document, Heading 1 is set to have a Page Break Before, substantial space before and to have a Frame. The second Heading 1 in this document has the Frame removed so that you can see the difference.

See [Frames and Textboxes in Microsoft Word](http://addbalance.com/word/frames_textboxes.htm).

The same change in the rendering engine changed how Text Boundaries work. See [Text Boundaries Display in Microsoft Word](http://addbalance.com/word/textBoundaries.htm). Now check out the differences here. (The Navigation Pane helps because it will show the headings.)



# Page with Heading 1 in a Frame

## Same in Word 97-2010 and Word 2013-2019

## The text above is in a frame with space before and after in the paragraph setting. It is set with Page Break before paragraph formatting.

It extends from margin to margin.

# Heading 1 without Frame

## Different in Word 97-2010 from Word 2013-2019.

Above uses Page Break before and has same Space-Before and Space-After formatting but no Frame.

Manual Page break follows (not part of paragraph formatting or style).

# Heading 1 without Page Break Before Formatting – Manual Page Break – without Frame – same spacing

## Same in Word 97-2010 and 2013-2019

## Manual Page break before

Compare this in the same document saved in 2010 format and with the [Heading 1 without the frame but with the other characteristics.](#_Heading_1_without) in this document. That heading uses the Page Break Before while the one on this page does not! In Word 2010 they are the same but here there is a difference.