

Dashes & Quotes

Art & Design

The marks a keyboard hides, and the substitutes it hands you by mistake.

Six marks, and none of them are interchangeable.

Mark	Its job
Hyphen -	Compound words, and line breaks
En dash –	Ranges: 1919–1933
Em dash —	A break in the sentence
Minus –	Arithmetic; wider than a hyphen
Quote marks " "	Speech and quotation
Prime marks	Feet and inches, never quotes

A straight quote is a typewriter substitute for two different characters. Turn substitution on, then check every one.