

The draft class option

The `draft` class option will display badly typeset lines with a black margin mark. For example, a list of words that are 23 letters long¹ will not typeset nicely—note how the right margin is not flush—because it consists of lots of big words:

anthropomorphologically blepharosphincterectomy epididymodeferentec-
tomy formaldehydesulphoxylate formaldehydesulphoxylic gastroenteroanas-
tomosis hematospectrophotometer macracanthrorhynchiasis pancreaticoduo-
denostomy pathologicohistological pathologicopsychological pericardiome-
diastinitis phenolsulphonophthalein philosophicotheological pseudolamelli-
branchiate scientificogeographical scientificophilosophical tetraiodophenolph-
thalein thymolsulphonophthalein thyroparathyroidectomize transubstanti-
ationalist

While contrived, this demonstrates very well what happens when \TeX can't find any appropriate ways to typeset the text you've given it.

Other packages will behave appropriately with this option as well: `graphicx` will display blank squares instead of the real image; and `hyperref` will not colour any hyperlinks.

¹`egrep [a-z]{23} /usr/share/dict/web2`