**MessageName**

`symbol : tag` is a name for a message.

You can specify messages by defining values for `symbol : tag`. `symbol : tag` is converted to `MessageName[symbol, "tag"]`. `tag` can contain any characters that can appear in symbol names. `symbol : "tag"` can also be used. Assignments for `s : tag` are stored in the `Messages` value of the symbol `s`. The following messages for functions are often defined:

- `f : usage` how to use the function
- `f : example` examples of the function
- `f : notes` notes on the function

`?f` prints out the message `f : usage`. When `?form` finds more than one function, only the names of each function are printed. You can switch on and off messages using `On[s : tag]` and `Off[s : tag]`. See page 285.