Excel Formula Symbols and meaning

[TEXT.XLSX] -brackets indictate a reference to another file in the formula

TEXT! - exclamation marks indicate a sheet reference

\$A\$1- the \$ signs indicate a cell, column, or row as an absolute reference.

B1: B10 - the colon means through, cells B1 through B10.

B1,B10 - the comma means and, cells B1 and B10 only.

(arguments) – the parenthesis are used to enclose the arguments, the cells being refered to in the formula, or in algebraic math.

