

PRACTICAL 1: INTRODUCTION AND CONTRIBUTION TO WIKIPEDIA

a) Description about Wikipedia and its features

Wikipedia is a free, [multilingual open-collaborative online encyclopedia](#) created and maintained by a [community of volunteer editors](#) using a [wiki](#)-based editing system. It is one of the 15 most popular websites as ranked by [Alexa](#), as of January 2021. [The Economist](#) newspaper placed it as the "13th-most-visited place on the web".^[4] Featuring no [advertisements](#), it is hosted by the [Wikimedia Foundation](#), an [American non-profit organization](#) funded primarily through donations.

Wikipedia was launched on January 15, 2001, by [Jimmy Wales](#) and [Larry Sanger](#). Sanger coined its name as a [portmanteau](#) of "[wiki](#)" and "[encyclopedia](#)". It was initially an [English-language encyclopedia](#), but versions in [other languages](#) were quickly developed. With [6.2 million articles](#), the English Wikipedia is the largest of the 317 Wikipedia encyclopedias. Overall, Wikipedia comprises more than 55 million articles, attracting 1.7 billion unique visitors per month.

FEATURES:

1) Create a page

To contribute to a Wiki, you'll start by creating a page. All pages have a title and text. Unlike pages of a normal website, you won't need to know any code to contribute content here. You can write and format text on a Wiki page like you would an email.

Edit a page

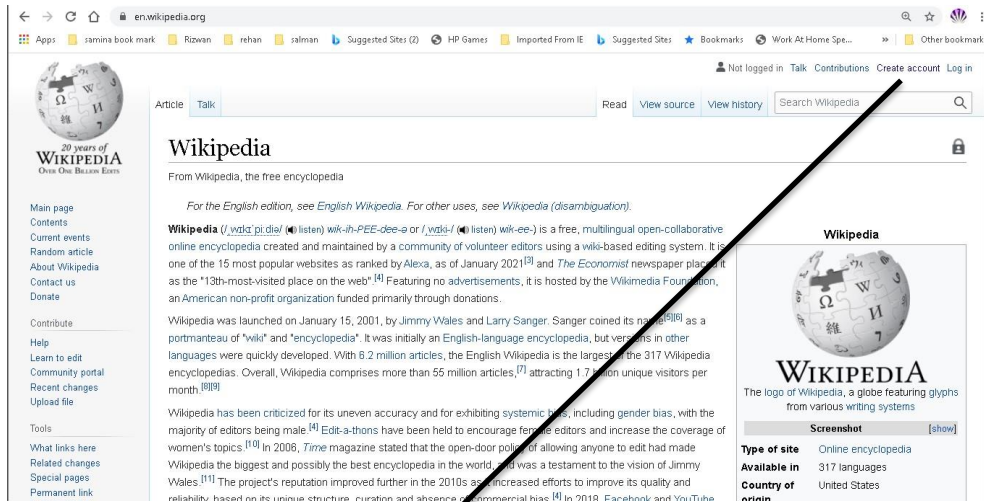
Published pages can be edited by anyone that reads them. If, for example, you notice that a page created by someone else contains inaccurate/outdated information, you can open the editing screen and correct that information directly.

Link between pages

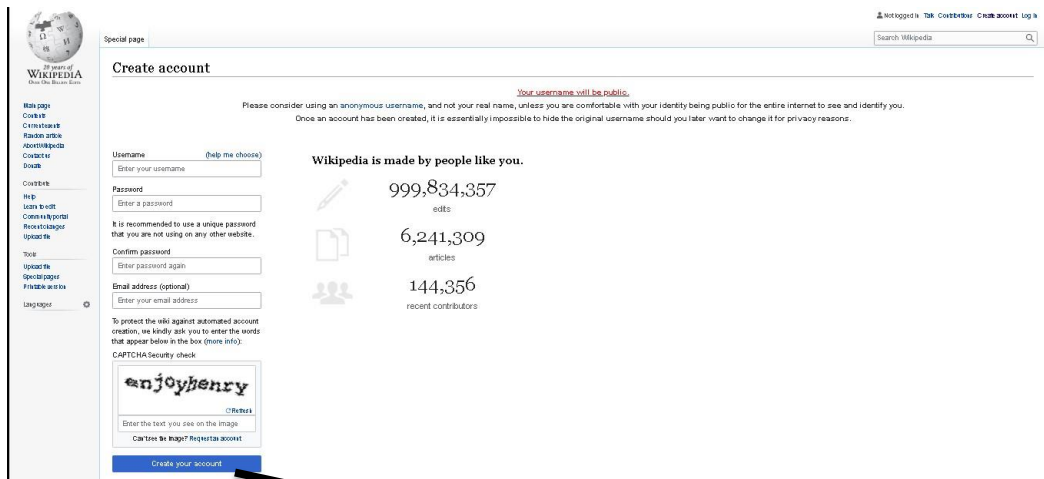
Linking between Wiki pages makes it easier for readers to find secondary materials they may need, especially as your Wiki grows

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b) Creating Account on Wikipedia

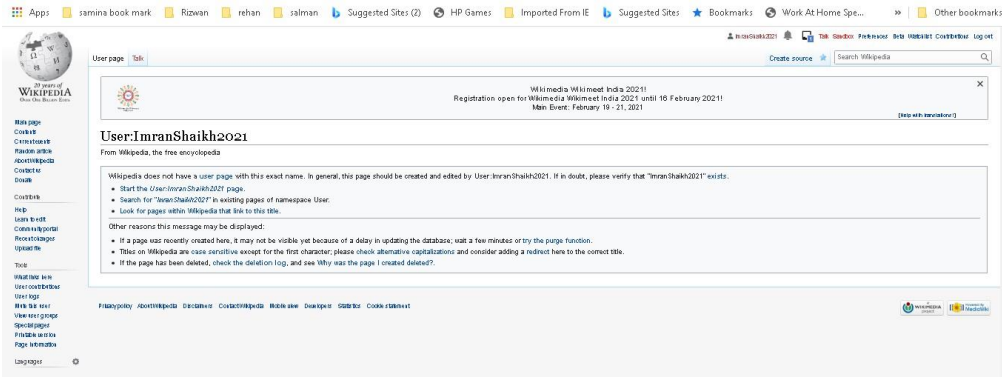


1) Click on :Create Account



2) Enter the details and click on :Create your account

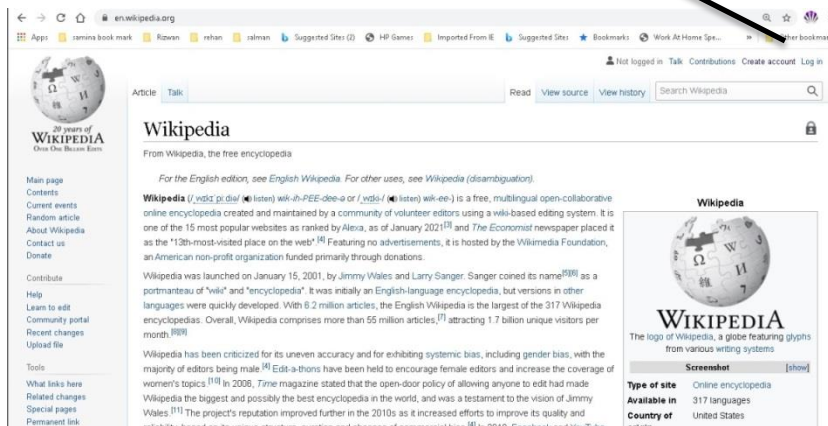
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3) Your page will create.

c) Creating your page on Wikipedia

1) After creating account click on Log in



2) Enter your Username and password

Log in

Username

ImranShaikh2021

Password

☐ Keep me logged in (for up to 365 days)

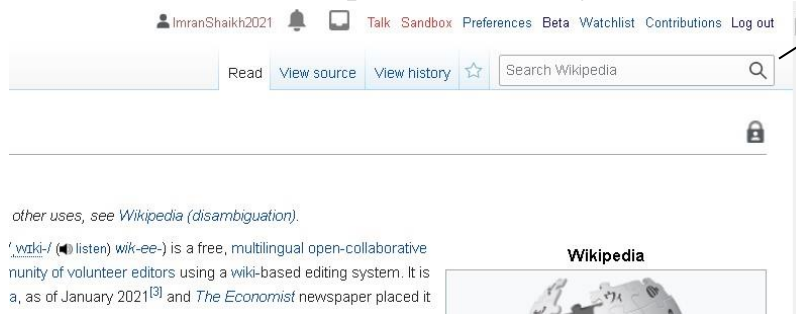
Log in

[Help with logging in](#)

[Forgot your password?](#)

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3) Your account will open and search your name in Search Wikipedia



4) Then click on “ask for it to be created”



5) Then click on “Click here to strt a new article”

Creating an article

Before you start writing, here are some things you should have in mind:

- Make sure that the topic is notable enough for an article. Is it already covered? If yes, will it ever be accepted as an article. If yes, have you improved the article?
- Articles should reflect only what reliable sources have said about the topic.
- If you have a conflict of interest with the topic you are writing about, you should not write the article.
- If you are being paid to contribute to Wikipedia, you **must**—under any circumstances—disclose your payment and other relevant affiliation.
- If you have an idea for the title of an article, but no content for the article, you should not create the article.

Your article title will have "Draft:" in front of it until it is accepted as an article.

[Click here to start a new article](#)

Submitting for review

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6) Then simply click on Next-Next-Next-I'm writing about.....subject-

 **Wikipedia Article Wizard**
Common mistakes

There are a lot of common mistakes that are made with drafts. Here are some of the most common ones:

- **Writing about yourself or someone/something you're close to**
Whether it is yourself, a family member, a friend, an employer, or someone you are close to, writing about them is discouraged as the article you will create will be biased.
- **Copy-pasting material**
You must write the article in your own words, or it may be deleted.
- **Not citing your sources**
Articles without independent reliable sources usually get deleted.
- **Overly promotional language**
Terms like "leading expert" and "ground-breaking technology" are discouraged. Let the facts speak for themselves.

Then click on “I have Disclosed”

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COI Editing

Disclosing your relationship with the subject is important in order to assist you in making your content more suitable for Wikipedia.


Here are the steps to disclose:

- Edit your user page by clicking [here](#)
- Paste the following in the edit box, replacing `Title of your draft` with the title of your draft:

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{{UserboxCOI|1=Title of your draft}}
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- Click the **"Publish changes"** button

You must complete these steps in order to continue.

Write a draft name

 **Wikipedia Article Wizard**
Draft Creation

You're all ready to go! When you create your draft, it will not be seen by external search engines. However, when you finish, you'll be able to submit it to be reviewed by our volunteers. Reviews can take a long time, so please be patient and rest assured that your draft will be reviewed in due course. This may take 3 months or more, since drafts are reviewed in no specific order.

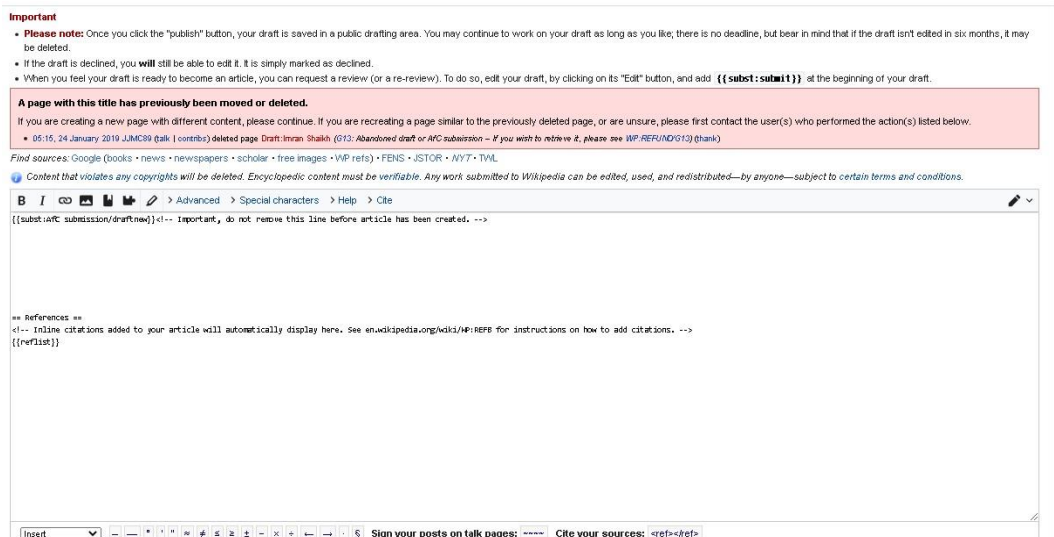
Click on “Start editing”

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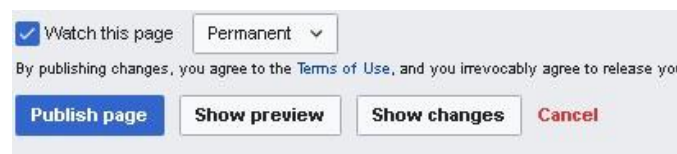
For your drafts, it is recommended to use the "Draft" button. You may use the "Publish" button to publish your work, but you must use your own words. Do **not** copy content from another website.



Start creating your page



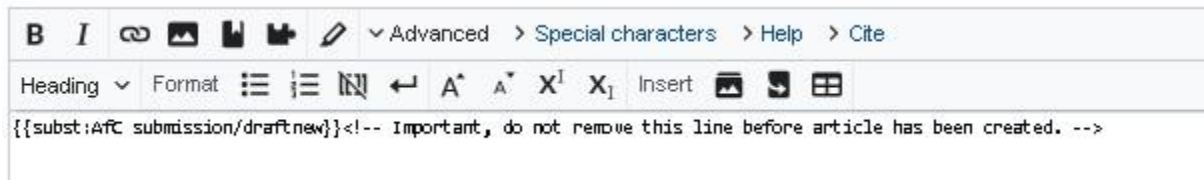
At last click on “Publish page”



YOUR PAGE WILL CREATED.

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c) Editing your page on Wikipedia



Once you logged in to your account you can create your page and even you can do editing also. You can use these option to edit your Wikipedia page and make it attractive.