Naming conventions:-

Archive : Displays sorted by categories, tags, author, date, etc using archive.php.  
Single : Content of a page uses page.php, and content of a post uses single.php.  
Blog's main : which is a special archive, uses home.php.   
Web site's home page : uses front-page.php.  
404 page : uses 404.php.  
Search result page : uses search.php.

Templates:-

• You will need to create the following PHP files :   
• archive.php  
• front-page.php  
• home.php  
• page.php  
• single.php   
• Each of the files contain very minimal coding for the moment   
(the header, the footer and a heading to identify the page on screen)

A template defines part of a web page generated by a WordPress theme. Most WordPress themes have some default templates with code to generate HTML output for particular sections of a website.