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History of the Internet

Facebook and its evolution over the years

* **2006 –** news feed with the lowest quality started.
* **2011** – its design differed a lot since its preceding years by allowing us to add a cover photo that is the major phenomenon I observed.
* **2020 –** it is by far the most advanced Facebook I have ever seen. It is graphically appealing and easy to use.

IMDB

* **2013 –** the color combination was not eye catching, box office labeled brown and the movies labeled blue with black numberings? Not so much.
* **2015 –** better view, more appealing with matching color combinations and a more interesting news feed.
* **2020 –** in my opinion, there is not much difference between 2015, 2019 and 2020. All three were good looking, appealing and interesting websites of their time.

Wikihow and its evolution over time

* **2013 –** looks good; I really like how they presented the headlines; it’s kind of stylish for a 2013 wikihow.
* **2017 –** I did not see major changes between periods 2013-2016 aside from having a static headline but in 2017, they prepared multiple platforms like Facebook, Google and Civics for us to join wikihow.
* **2019 –** they added email on their ‘join wikihow’ window; and as usual they got a bit more graphically appealing.

You tube and its evolution

* **2010 –** it’s not eye catching at all. It displayed the videos in plain small boxes of windows that was so unattractive but the categorization of the videos was okay.
* **2015 –** it was way much better than what I saw in 2010. Its display style changed pretty much.
* **2020 –** it’s really good now banking on its strategy to take form an online social platform to a glamorous entertainment network.

W3School and its evolution over time

* **2013 –** it does look like a 2013 w3school website, it looks a bit old and not that much eye catching.
* **2017 –** it became greener, but this time it was a cooler green that the previous versions. It is more graphically interesting now and the courses to be learned are moved from the right of the screen to the left side of the screen which was more comfortable for the eye.
* **2019 –** I did not see that much difference in between 2017 and 2019 but for sure w3school is one of my favorite learning platforms because of its appealing nature.

Educational

* Edx - <https://www.edx.org/>
* Khan academy - <https://www.khanacademy.org/>
* Bright Storm - <https://www.brightstorm.com/>
* W3Schools - <https://www.w3schools.com/>
* Udemy - <https://www.udemy.com/>

Entertainment

* IMDB - <https://www.imdb.com/tv/>
* Netflix - <https://www.netflix.com/et/>
* You tube - <https://www.youtube.com/> - lots of entertaining sites on youtube are available.
* Spotify - <https://www.spotify.com/>
* Iheart Radio - <https://www.iheart.com/podcast/>

Blog

* Word press - <https://wordpress.org/>
* Wix - <https://www.wix.com/> - a blogging platform for small websites.
* Blogger - <https://www.blogger.com/>
* Weebly - <https://www.weebly.com/>
* Typepad - <https://www.typepad.com/>

Advocacy

* Word Advocacy - [http://www.worldadvocacy.com](http://www.worldadvocacy.com/)
* Environmental Defense Action Fund - [http:/www.undoit.org](http://www.undoit.org/)
* Natural Resources Defense Council - [http://www.nrdcwildplaces.org](http://www.nrdcwildplaces.org/)
* Amnesty International - [http://www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org/)
* Greenpeace - [http://www.greenpeace.org](http://www.greenpeace.org/)

Wiki

* Wikihow - <https://www.wikihow.com/Main-Page>
* Wiktionary - <https://www.wiktionary.org/>
* Wikibooks - <https://en.wikibooks.org/>
* Wikitravel - <https://wikitravel.org/>
* Wikiquotes - <https://en.wikiquote.org/>

Social Network

* Twitter - <https://twitter.com/twitter>
* Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/>
* Tumblr - <https://www.tumblr.com/>
* Reddit - <https://www.reddit.com/>
* Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/>

Content Aggregator

* Alltop - <https://alltop.com/>
* Popurls - <http://popurls.com/>
* The web list - <https://theweblist.net/>
* WP news network - <http://wpnewsdesk.com/>
* Blog engage - <http://www.blogengage.com/>

Personal

* RachaelKing - <http://www.rachaelgking.com/>
* Devon Stank - <https://www.devonstank.com/>
* Kristi Hines - <https://kristihines.com/>
* Red russak - <http://redrussak.com/>
* Sarah Chang - <http://www.sarahlichang.com/>

Marketing

* DMN - [www.dmnews.com](http://www.dmnews.com/) – explores digital and data driver marketing.
* Fortune -  [www.fortune.com](http://www.fortune.com/)
* Inc. - [www.inc.com](http://www.inc.com/)
* Amazon - <https://www.amazon.com/>
* EBay - <https://www.ebay.com/>

Informational

* Wikipedia - <https://www.wikipedia.org/>
* Stack Overflow - <https://stackoverflow.com/>
* Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/> - we gather information on the news we get from our newsfeed.
* YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/> - we get information from informative channels we subscribed.

News

* Yahoo - <https://www.yahoo.com/> - through ABC News Network
* CNN - <https://edition.cnn.com/>
* NBC News - <https://www.nbcnews.com/>
* BBC - <https://www.bbc.com/news>
* USA Today - <https://www.usatoday.com/>

Portal

* Allianz - <https://www.liferay.com/resource?title=allianz> – General insurance company.
* West band - <https://www.liferay.com/resource?title=west-bend> – Mutual insurance company.
* Av Med - <https://www.liferay.com/resource?title=avmed> – health care insurance.
* Med impact - <https://www.liferay.com/resource?title=medimpact> – Pharmacy benefit management.
* Council of Europe - <https://www.liferay.com/resource?title=council-of-europe> – Created for the protection of human rights, democracy.