Setting Up a WordPress Site for Selling Articles with Payment Split

* Both the website owner and author will need verified PayPal account.

1. Install necessary plugins
2. **WooCommerce PayPal Payments:** For handling PayPal transactions.
3. **WooCommerce Wallet:** To manage user balances and withdrawals.
4. **User Role Editor:** To manage different user roles and permissions.
5. **WooCommerce Product Vendors:** This plugin can handle vendor commissions and payments.
6. Configure PayPal Payments:
   1. Go to WooCommerce > Settings > Payments.
   2. Enable and configure the WooCommerce PayPal Payments plugin with your PayPal API credentials.
7. Set Up User Roles:
   1. Use the User Role Editor plugin to create custom roles such as "Author" for article writers and "Subscriber" for purchasers.
8. Set Up WooCommerce Product Vendors:
   1. Install and activate the WooCommerce Product Vendors plugin.
   2. Configure the plugin to set up authors as vendors.
   3. Set the commission rate to 50% for vendors (authors).
9. Create Products for Articles:
   1. When an author uploads an article, create a corresponding WooCommerce product.
   2. Assign the author as the vendor for the product.

Detailed Implementation

**a. Set Up WooCommerce Product Vendors:**

* Go to WooCommerce > Settings > Product Vendors.
* Set the commission rate to 50% for vendors (authors).

**b. Create Vendor (Author) Accounts:**

* Go to WooCommerce > Vendors > Add New.
* Create a new vendor for each author.
* Assign the vendor to the author.

**c. Create Products for Articles:**

* Go to WooCommerce > Products > Add New.
* Create a product for each article.
* Set the author as the vendor for the product.
* Set the price for the product (article).

**d. Configure WooCommerce Wallet:**

* Go to WooCommerce > Wallet > Settings.
* Enable the wallet for managing user balances.
* Ensure that the wallet is set up to handle the split payments.

**e. Handle Payments and Splits:**

When a purchase is made, WooCommerce Product Vendors will automatically split the payment between the website owner and the author according to the commission rate set (50% each). The WooCommerce Wallet plugin can be used to handle the balance and withdrawal for the author.