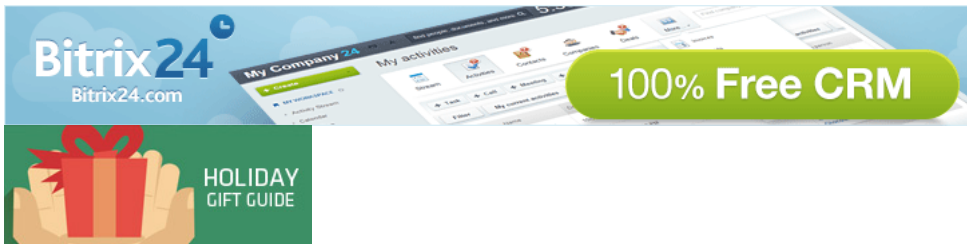- **Back to Home, top(/blog/#top)**
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- 25GB inbox, and
- 99.9% uptime guarantee with the price of $50/user/year.

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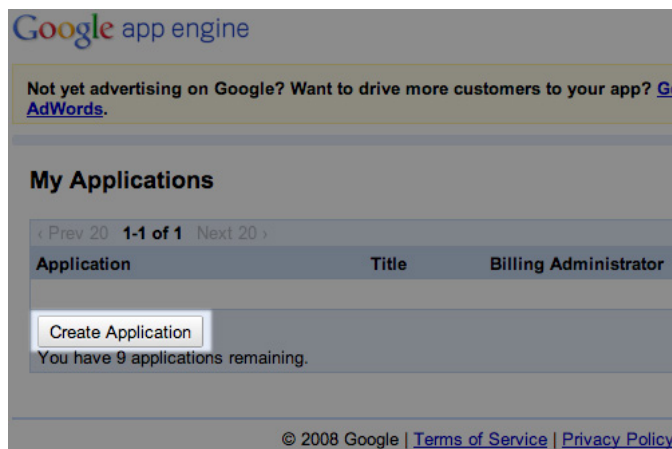
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Here's how to sign up Google Apps for free via Google App Engine.

1. Sign up a Google account.

2. After that, sign in **appengine.google.com** (https://appengine.google.com/)with your Google Account. Click on "**Create Application**" to proceed.

3. Fill in the requested information with dummy data and click "**Create Application**" to proceed.
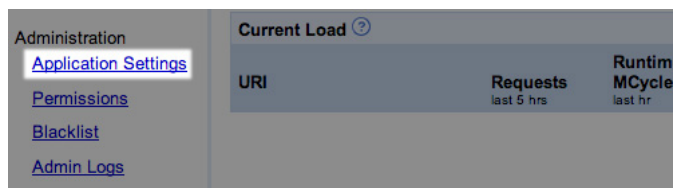
4. In "Application Registered Successfully" page, click on "**dashboard**" text link.
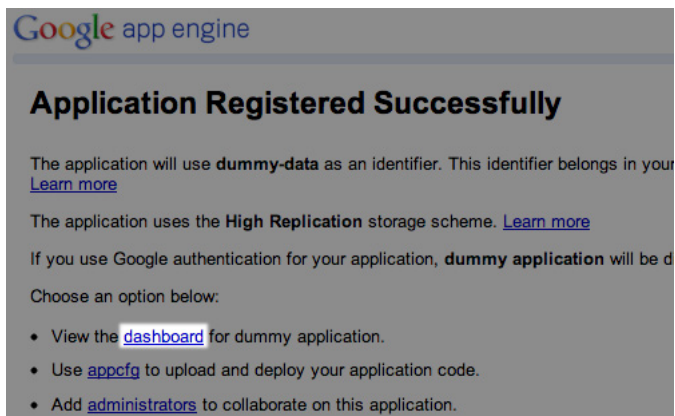
5. In dashboard, look for "Application Settings" on the left panel and click on it.

6. Under "Domain Setup" section, click on the **Add Domain…** button.

Now you will be able to see a link named **Sign up for Google Apps Standard**. Click on it to sign up Google Apps for free.

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8. You'll be redirected to a sign up page where you're allowed to get started with Google Apps for free.

Conclusion

With the steps above, you can sign up Google Apps for free, but **only for 1 user**. It is a pretty useful workaround to use Gmail or other services to fit your business with your custom email address.

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