

## WordPress Detailed Study Guide

Expanded explanations of WordPress.org documentation sections with diagrams and glossary.

Includes beginner-friendly details, dashboard layout, and key terms.

## 1. Getting Started

This section introduces WordPress basics:

- What is WordPress?
- Difference between WordPress.com and WordPress.org
- How to install WordPress

Beginner Tip: Start with WordPress.org for full control.

Link:

<https://wordpress.org/documentation/article/get-started-with-wordpress/>

## 2. Installation & Setup

Steps to install WordPress:

- Check hosting requirements
- Download WordPress from WordPress.org
- Upload files to your server
- Create a MySQL database
- Run the installation script

Link:

<https://wordpress.org/documentation/article/installing-wordpress/>

### 3. Dashboard & Publishing

Dashboard Overview:

- Posts: Create blog entries
- Pages: Static content
- Media: Manage images and videos
- Appearance: Themes and customization
- Plugins: Extend functionality

Publishing:

- Use the Block Editor for rich content

Link: <https://wordpress.org/documentation/article/dashboard/>

## 4. Customization

Themes: Change your site's look

Plugins: Add new features

Block Editor: Design with blocks

Links:

- Themes: <https://wordpress.org/documentation/article/themes/>
- Plugins: <https://wordpress.org/documentation/article/plugins/>
- Block Editor:

<https://wordpress.org/documentation/article/block-editor/>

## 5. Maintenance & Security

Keep WordPress updated for security.

Use strong passwords and backups.

Install security plugins like Wordfence.

Link: <https://wordpress.org/documentation/article/security/>

## 6. Community & Help

Join support forums for help.

Contribute to WordPress development.

Links:

- Support: <https://wordpress.org/support/>
- Contribute: <https://make.wordpress.org/>

# Dashboard Layout Diagram

Below is a visual representation of the WordPress Dashboard layout.

## Sections in

### - Navigation

### - Main Content

### - Toolbar (top)

(Diagram provided by user.)

- Discovering the Benefits of WordPress
- Getting set up the fast and easy way
- Extending WordPress's capabilities
- Taking part in the community
- Choosing a WordPress Platform
- Choosing the hosted version from WordPress.com
- Self-hosting with WordPress.org
- Shining the Spotlight on WordPress
- Dipping Into WordPress Technologies
- Archiving your publishing history
- Interacting with your readers through comments
- Feeding your readers
- Tracking back
- Dealing with comment and trackback spam
- Using WordPress as a Content Management System
- Exploring the differences between a website and a blog
- Viewing examples of blogs and websites
- Moving On to the Business of Publishing

## Glossary of Key Terms

WordPress: A content management system (CMS).

Theme: A design template for your site.

Plugin: An add-on to extend functionality.

Block Editor: A visual editor using blocks.

Dashboard: The admin interface of WordPress.

Self-hosted: Hosting WordPress on your own server.

Widget: A small block that performs a specific function.

Permalink: The permanent URL of a post or page.