

# GETTING SET UP

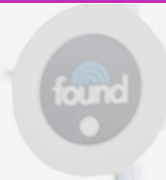
## Getting Online

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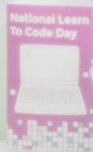
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**Register an account on Wikipedia** (if you haven't already):

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Tutorial/Registration>



# WIKIPEDIA EDIT-A-THON



# READ, WRITE AND BUILD A BETTER WEB

*Thanks to our partners*

the Inc.



# AGENDA

- Welcome + Introductions
- Intro to Editing on Wikipedia
- Group Example Edit
- Open Edit Time
  - ◆ Work individually or in small groups on your own edits

# WELCOME + INTRODUCTIONS

- Your Name
- Your 'day-job'
- What drew you to this event

# Why are we here?

- Less than 10% of editors on Wikipedia are women
- When we don't tell our stories or participate in the ways our history is preserved, it gets erased
- Amplify the voices of women online
- Promote Wikipedia as a site for preservation of information

LET'S GET STARTED!

# WIKIPEDIA IS...

- An encyclopedia
  - ◆ A tertiary source that provides a overview of information already the subject of publication
- The goal of a Wikipedia article is to create a comprehensive and neutrally written summary of existing mainstream knowledge about a topic
- Requires that information be verifiable in reliable sources



# CORE CONTENT POLICIES

- Neutral point of view
- Verifiability
- No original research
- Notability
- Reliable sources


*More about core policies [here](#)*

# EDITING BASICS

*\* Adapted from Wikipedia's Tutorial <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Tutorial/Editing>*

- Classic editing through wiki markup
- VisualEditor (must be logged in to use)

Content that *violates any copyrights* will be deleted. Encyclopedic content must be *verifiable*. Work submitted to Wikipedia is subject to *certain terms and conditions*.

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In August 2012, they began an expansion of these workshops across Canada, establishing chapters first in Vancouver and then subsequently in Newburg, Ontario. The following are the URLs of the websites of the chapters that have been established:

==See also==

- \*[[Women in computing in Canada]]
- \*[[Pixelles]]

== References ==

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See also

- Women in computing in Canada
- Pixelles

## References

1. ↑ Torontoist. "Ladies Learning Code" Helping Women Crack the Coding Ceiling". *torontoist.com*. Retrieved 24 January 2015.
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# EDIT SUMMARY

- Good etiquette (or "Wikiquette") is to enter an explanation of your changes in the Edit summary box
- Short explanation is okay
- For example: "fixing a typo"



The screenshot shows the Wikipedia edit interface. At the top is a toolbar with various icons for text formatting (bold, italic, link, etc.) and a 'Cite your sources' field. Below the toolbar is the 'Edit summary' section, which includes a text input box and two checkboxes: 'This is a minor edit' and 'Watch this page'. Below these is a paragraph of text explaining the terms of use and Creative Commons license. At the bottom are four buttons: 'Save changes', 'Show preview', 'Show changes', and 'Cancel'. A grey arrow points from the left towards the 'Edit summary' text input box.

Insert [formatting icons] Cite your sources:

**Edit summary** (Briefly describe your changes)

☐ This is a [minor edit](#) ☐ Watch this page

By saving changes, you agree to the [Terms of Use](#), and you irrevocably agree to release your contribution under the [CC BY-SA 3.0 License](#) and the [GFDL](#). You agree that a hyperlink or URL is sufficient attribution under the Creative Commons license.

# SHOW PREVIEW

- After you make a change use the ‘Show Preview’ button
- Lets you see what the page will look like after your edit before you save



The screenshot shows a standard Wikipedia edit summary form. At the top is a toolbar with various editing icons and a 'Cite your sources' field. Below the toolbar is a text area for the 'Edit summary'. Underneath the text area are two checkboxes: 'This is a minor edit' and 'Watch this page'. A paragraph of text follows, stating that by saving changes, the user agrees to the Terms of Use and releases their contribution under the CC BY-SA 3.0 License and the GFDL. At the bottom of the form are four buttons: 'Save changes', 'Show preview', 'Show changes', and 'Cancel'. A grey arrow points from the bottom left towards the 'Show preview' button.

Insert [toolbar icons] Cite your sources:

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[Cancel](#)

# SAVE YOUR WORK

→ Always, always, always remember to click 'save changes'

# CREATING NEW ARTICLES

- An article must have already been the subject of publication in reliable sources, such as books published by major publishing houses before it can be its own article
- Information on Wikipedia must be verifiable; if no reliable third-party sources can be found on a topic, then it should not have a separate article
- An [Article Wizard](#) is available to help you create articles

# PROTECTED PAGES

- Some pages are protected from editing
- View source tab instead of an Edit tab
- You can edit these pages indirectly, by submitting an "edit request"
- You can submit a request by clicking on the View source tab on that page and using the "Submit an edit request" link at the bottom right



# GETTING REVERTED

- If you ever make a change that gets reverted by another editor, discuss the change on the talk page
- The [BOLD, revert, discuss cycle](#) is a popular method of reaching consensus, and may be useful for identifying objections, keeping discussion moving forward and helping to break deadlocks

# GROUP EXERCISE (5 minutes)

Wikipedia's Sandbox

# WIKIPEDIA SANDBOX

→ Page allows you to practice edit

→ Go to:

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Tutorial/Editing/sandbox>

# FORMATTING

Intro to Markup Language

# WHAT IS MARKUP?

- Simple language for formatting
- “Marking up the text” comes from print editing when the editors would annotate things like ‘bold’ this or ‘italic’ that
- Simplified alternative to HTML
- Easily converted to HTML for web browsers

# BOLD AND *ITALICS*

→ surrounding a word or phrase with multiple apostrophes ('):

You type

You get

"italic"

*italic*

""bold""

**bold**

""""bold italic""""

***bold italic***

# HEADINGS AND SUBHEADINGS

- Headings are a great way to organize an article
- Create headings surrounding the heading text with several '=' wiki tags. The more '=' symbols in the wiki tag, the more nested the heading is:

**You type**

**You get**

== Elizabeth II hats ==

=== Straw hats ===

Elizabeth II hats

**Straw hats**

# SUBSCRIPT AND SUPERScript

- To use the subscript format you type an opening `<sub>` tag before the text and a closing `</sub>` tag after it
- The tags for superscript are `<sup>` and `</sup>`. Example



# HTML

- Formatting capabilities are limited
- If you want to have more control of the formatting, such as using colors, text and paragraph styles, and page layout you can use HTML
- HTML is the language used to format web pages in the Internet
- **Note:** we run full-day workshops on HTML & CSS if you want to learn more!

# LINKS

- Linking Wikipedia articles together is very important to help readers jump to related information
- But, too many links can be distracting
- Link only the **FIRST** occurrence of a word or phrase and don't link common words
- Wiki links vs external links

# WIKI LINKS

- To make a link to another Wikipedia page (called a wiki link), put it in double square brackets, like this:

`[[Sandbox]]`

- If you want to link to an article + display text add pipe "|" divider  
`[[Ladies Learning Code | LLC ]]`

*In the finished article, the text will read 'LLC', and link to the article called 'Ladies Learning Code'*

# EXTERNAL LINKS

- Link to websites with significant and reliable additional information on the article's topic
- Only a few per article are recommended
- To add a new external link, just type, inside a single set of brackets, the full URL for the link, followed by a space and the text that will be visible. For example:

[<http://www.linkurl.com/>]

# CITING SOURCES

- **Very** important
- You must include references listing websites, newspapers, articles, books and other sources you have used to write or expand articles
- Based on reliable, third-party, published sources with a reputation for fact-checking and accuracy
- Sources should verify the information but you must not 'copy and paste' text you find anywhere

**Note:** Cite templates can be found [here](#)

# FOOTNOTES

- References are typically added directly after the facts they support, at the end of the sentence
- Any citation system is allowed such as footnotes or parenthetical references ()

Wiki markup for Footnote → ref tags around your source

`<ref>Your Source</ref>`

**Note:** using the Visual Editor select “**Cite**” option

# MEDIA FILES

- Images, sounds and videos
- A file that is already hosted on Wikipedia or the Wikimedia Commons can be inserted with the basic code "[[File:FILENAME|thumb|DESCRIPTION]]"
- Only logged in users can upload files
  - ◆ The first step in uploading a file is to determine its copyright status. The [File Upload Wizard](#) will guide you through the process of submitting media

# TALK PAGES

- Key feature of Wikipedia
- A place to discuss articles
- If you have a question/comment/suggestion for an article you can put it directly on the Talk Page for that article
- Click 'Talk' tab at the top of the article

More on Talk Pages [here](#)



# OPEN EDIT TIME

Let's get editing!

# HOT TIPS

- Just go for it!
- Wikipedia not only allows you to create, revise, and edit articles, but it wants you to!
- You can't break Wikipedia → it's a work in progress itself
- Collaborative editing means that incomplete or poorly written first drafts can evolve over time into excellent articles

# EXAMPLE PAGES TO EDIT

Don't know where to start? Try these ideas:

1. Peruse #BecauseOfHer or #meToo hashtag to enhance women's pages
2. Add our Edit-a-thon to the Wikipedia listing:  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:How\\_to\\_run\\_an\\_edit-a-thon](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:How_to_run_an_edit-a-thon)
3. Update Ladies Learning Code's page with all the Chapters
4. Create a page for Canada Learning Code
5. Update your company's page
6. Update a page of someone you know

# SHARE YOUR WORK

What pages did you edit? We want to know!

Share online and tag us @LearningCodeYYC or @NerdLabYYC

THANK YOU!