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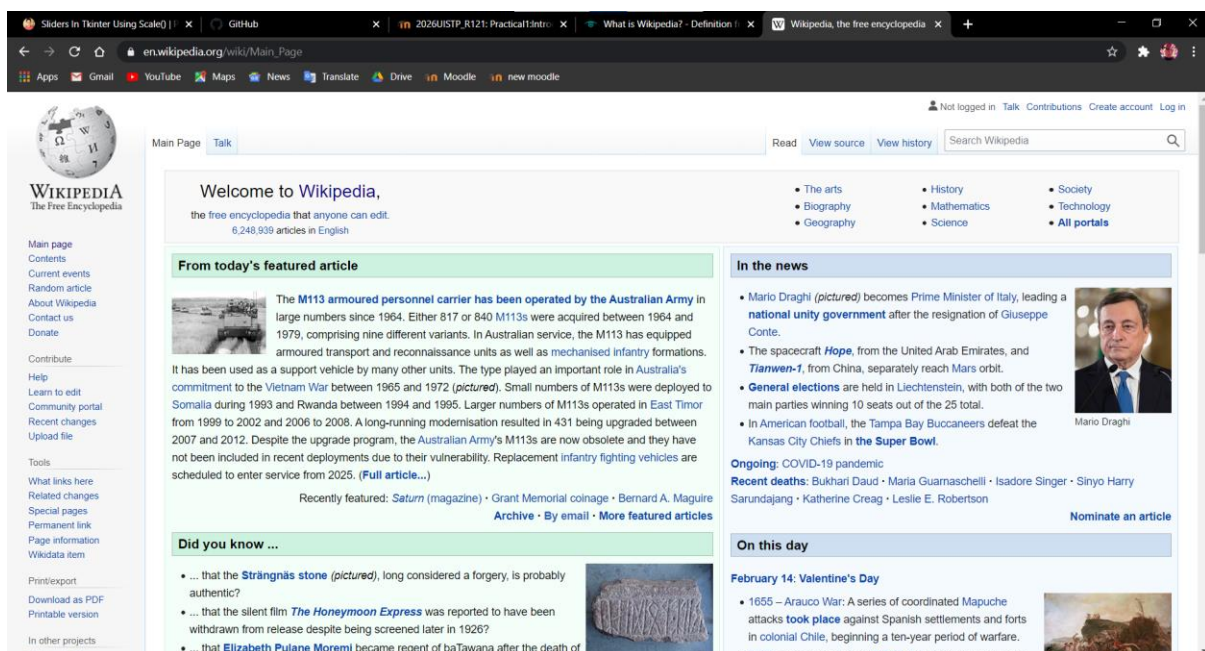
## Introduction and Contribution to Wikipedia

### a) Description about Wikipedia and its features

Wikipedia is a free, open content online encyclopedia created through the collaborative effort of a community of users known as Wikipedians. Anyone registered on the site can create an article for publication; registration is not required to edit articles. The site's name comes from wiki, a server program that enables anyone to edit Web site content through their Web browser.

Jimmy Wales and Larry Sanger co-founded Wikipedia as an offshoot of an earlier encyclopedia project, Nupedia, in January 2001. Originally, Wikipedia was created to provide content for Nupedia. However, as the wiki site became established it soon grew beyond the scope of the earlier project. As of January 2015, the website provided well over five million articles in English and more than that number in all other languages combined. At that same time, Alexa ranked Wikipedia as the seventh-most popular site on the Internet. Wikipedia was the only non-commercial site of the top ten.

### Wikipedia homepage screenshot :



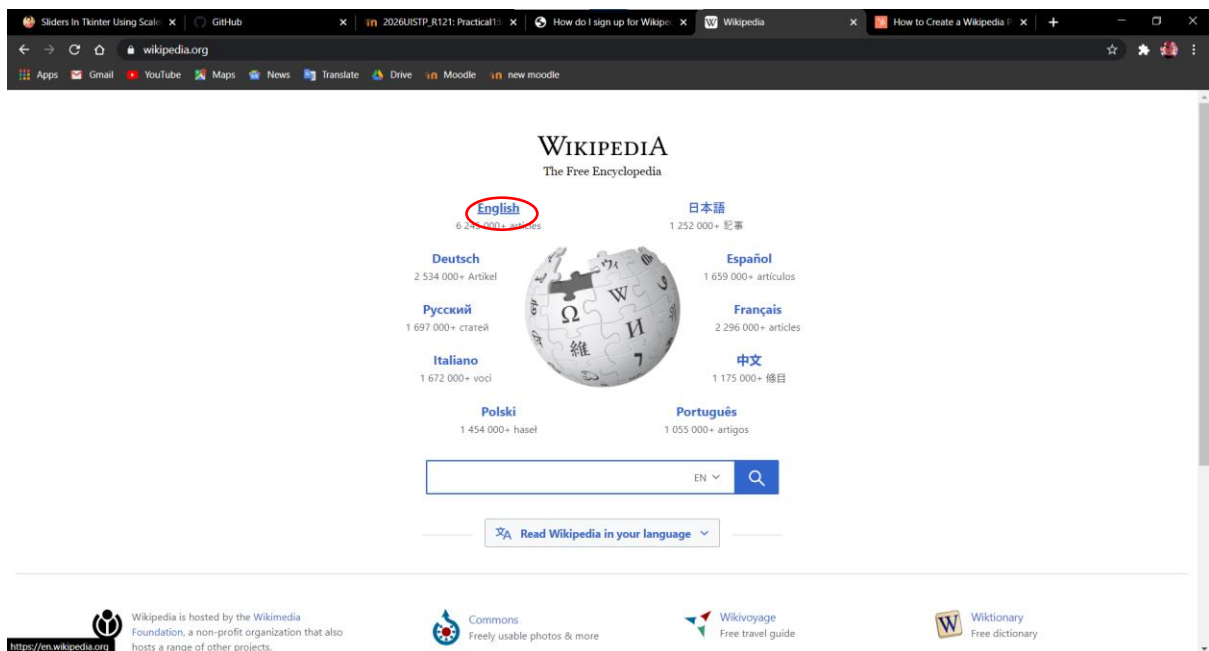
Criticisms of Wikipedia include assertions that its openness makes it unreliable and unauthoritative. Because articles don't include bylines, authors aren't publicly accountable for what they write. Similarly, because anyone can edit any article, the site's entries are vulnerable to unscrupulous edits. In August 2007, Virgil Griffiths created a site, Wikiscanner, where users could track the sources of edits to Wikipedia entries. Griffiths reported that self-serving edits typically involved whitewashing or removal of criticism of a person or organization or, conversely, insertion of negative comments into the entry about a competitor. Wikipedia depends upon the vigilance of editors to find and reverse such changes to content.

### **Features of Wikipedia:**

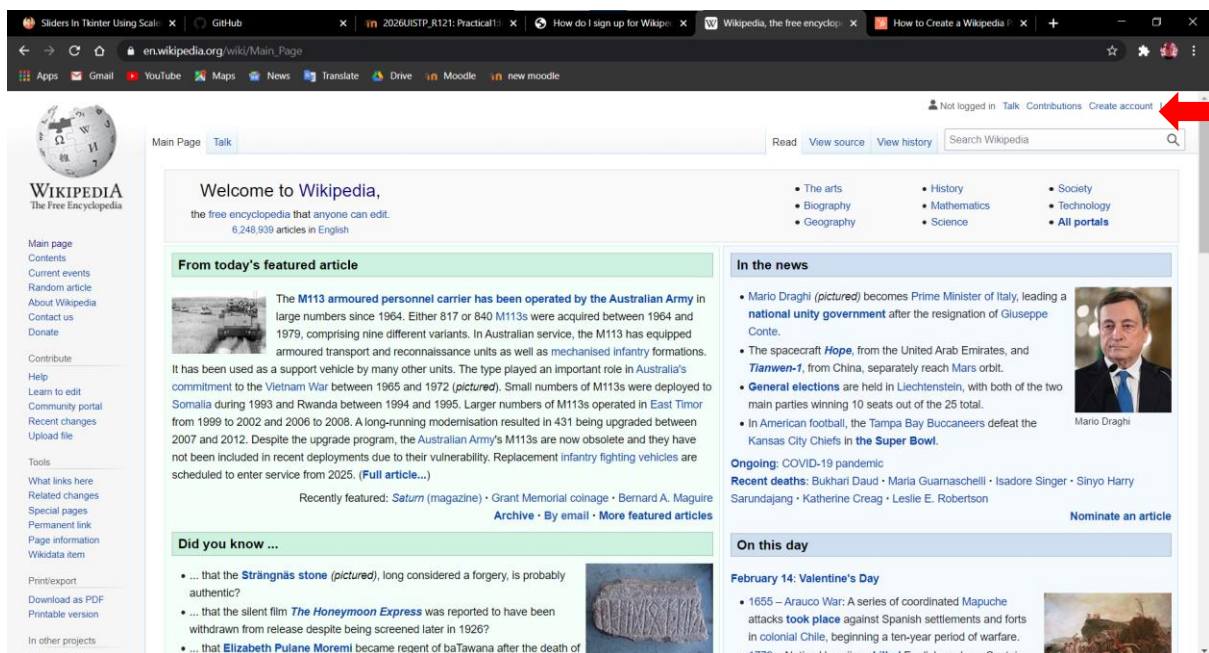
1. Wikis can be edited by multiple approved people.
2. All edits are tracked in the page's history.
3. Linking between pages on a wiki is very simple.
4. Pages are automatically placed in a list of all pages.
5. A recent changes page shows all edits made to the wiki.
6. Any bad edits can be easily reverted
7. Note taking.
8. Knowledge management.
9. Community Websites.
10. Intranets.

### **b) Creating Account on Wikipedia:**

Go to [www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org) and choose "English"



Click "Create account" on the upper right side of your browser



Enter your account information and the captcha, and click "Create Account"

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Enter your username

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It is recommended to use a unique password that you are not using on any other website.

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**Create your account**

Wikipedia is made by people like you.

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After creating account this page will appear:

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Welcome to Wikipedia,  
the free encyclopedia that anyone can edit.  
6,248,939 articles in English

From today's featured article

The **M113 armoured personnel carrier** has been operated by the **Australian Army** in large numbers since 1964. Either 817 or 840 M113s were acquired between 1964 and 1979, comprising nine different variants. In Australian service, the M113 has equipped armoured transport and reconnaissance units as well as mechanised infantry formations. It has been used as a support vehicle by many other units. The type played an important role in Australia's commitment to the Vietnam War between 1965 and 1972 *(pictured)*. Small numbers of M113s were deployed to Somalia during 1993 and Rwanda between 1994 and 1995. Larger numbers of M113s operated in East Timor from 1999 to 2002 and 2006 to 2008. A long-running modernisation resulted in 431 being upgraded between 2007 and 2012. Despite the upgrade program, the Australian Army's M113s are now obsolete and they have not been included in recent deployments due to their vulnerability. Replacement infantry fighting vehicles are scheduled to enter service from 2025. *(Full article...)*

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Did you know ...

- ... that the **Strängnäs stone** *(pictured)*, long considered a forgery, is probably authentic?
- ... that the silent film *The Honeymoon Express* was reported to have been withdrawn from release despite being screened later in 1926?
- ... that **Elizabeth Pulane Moremi** became regent of baTswana after the death of

In the news

- Mario Draghi *(pictured)* becomes Prime Minister of Italy, leading a **national unity government** after the resignation of Giuseppe Conte.
- The spacecraft *Hope*, from the United Arab Emirates, and *Tianwen-1*, from China, separately reach Mars orbit.
- General elections** are held in Liechtenstein, with both of the two main parties winning 10 seats out of the 25 total.
- In American football, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers defeat the Kansas City Chiefs in the **Super Bowl**.

Ongoing: COVID-19 pandemic  
Recent deaths: Bukhari Daud • Maria Guarnaschelli • Isadore Singer • Sinyo Harry Sarundajang • Katherine Creag • Leslie E. Robertson

Nominate an article

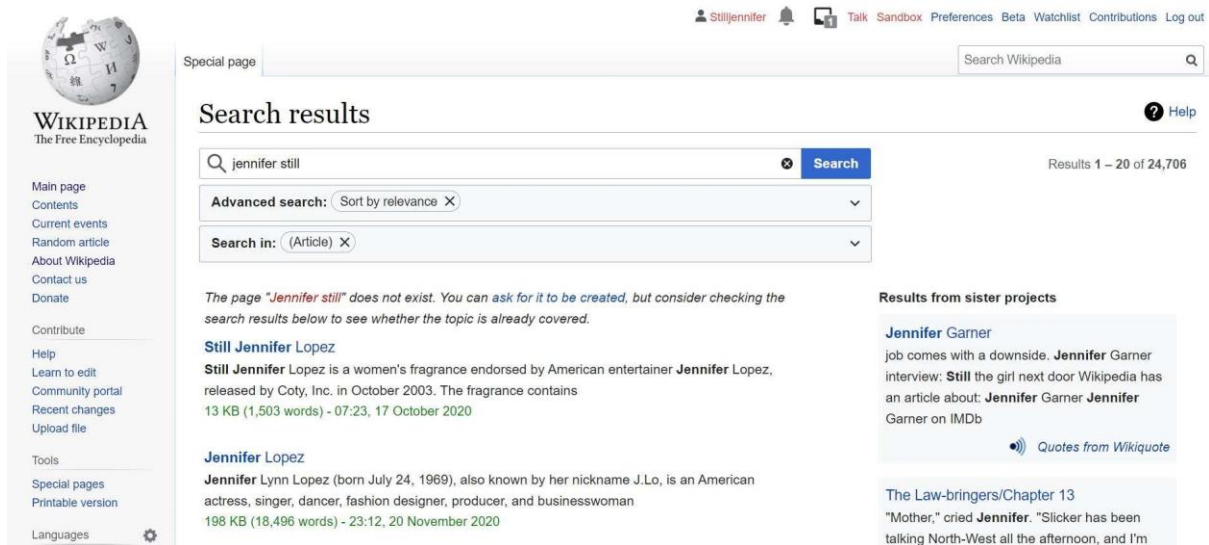
On this day

February 14: Valentine's Day

- 1655 – Arauco War: A series of coordinated Mapuche attacks **took place** against Spanish settlements and forts in colonial Chile, beginning a ten-year period of warfare.
- 1770 – Native Hawaiians **kill** English explorer Captain

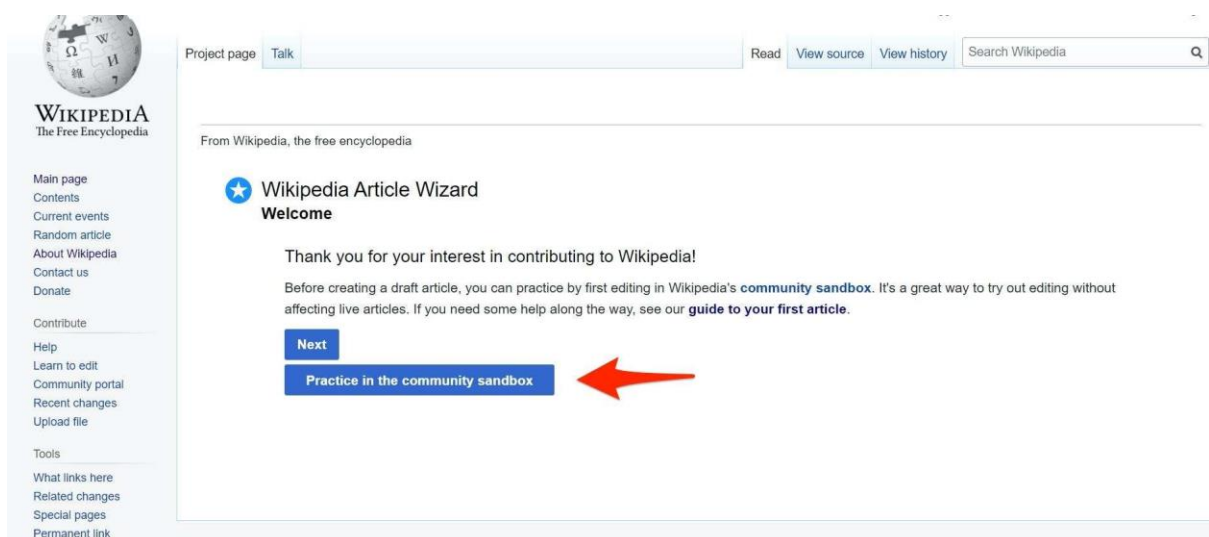
### c) Creating your page on Wikipedia:

1. To create a Wikipedia.org page, you must have a registered account. Log in or create one.
2. Check to verify that the Wikipedia page you want to create doesn't already exist using the search bar.
3. On the search results page for the term you enter, the option to "ask for it to be created" will appear. Click on it to be taken to the Wikipedia article wizard.



The screenshot shows the Wikipedia search results page for the query "jennifer still". The page header includes the Wikipedia logo, a user profile for "Stilljennifer", and navigation links like "Talk", "Sandbox", "Preferences", "Beta", "Watchlist", "Contributions", and "Log out". The search bar at the top right contains the text "Search Wikipedia". The main content area is titled "Search results" and shows the search term "jennifer still" with a "Search" button. Below the search bar, there are options for "Advanced search" (Sort by relevance) and "Search in" (Article). The results show two entries: "Still Jennifer Lopez" and "Jennifer Lopez". The "Still Jennifer Lopez" entry is highlighted and includes a summary: "Still Jennifer Lopez is a women's fragrance endorsed by American entertainer Jennifer Lopez, released by Coty, Inc. in October 2003. The fragrance contains 13 KB (1,503 words) - 07:23, 17 October 2020". The "Jennifer Lopez" entry includes a summary: "Jennifer Lynn Lopez (born July 24, 1969), also known by her nickname J.Lo, is an American actress, singer, dancer, fashion designer, producer, and businesswoman 198 KB (18,496 words) - 23:12, 20 November 2020". On the right side, there are sections for "Results from sister projects" (Jennifer Garner, The Law-bringers/Chapter 13) and "Quotes from Wikiquote".

4. On the wizard, click "Next" to begin creating your page.

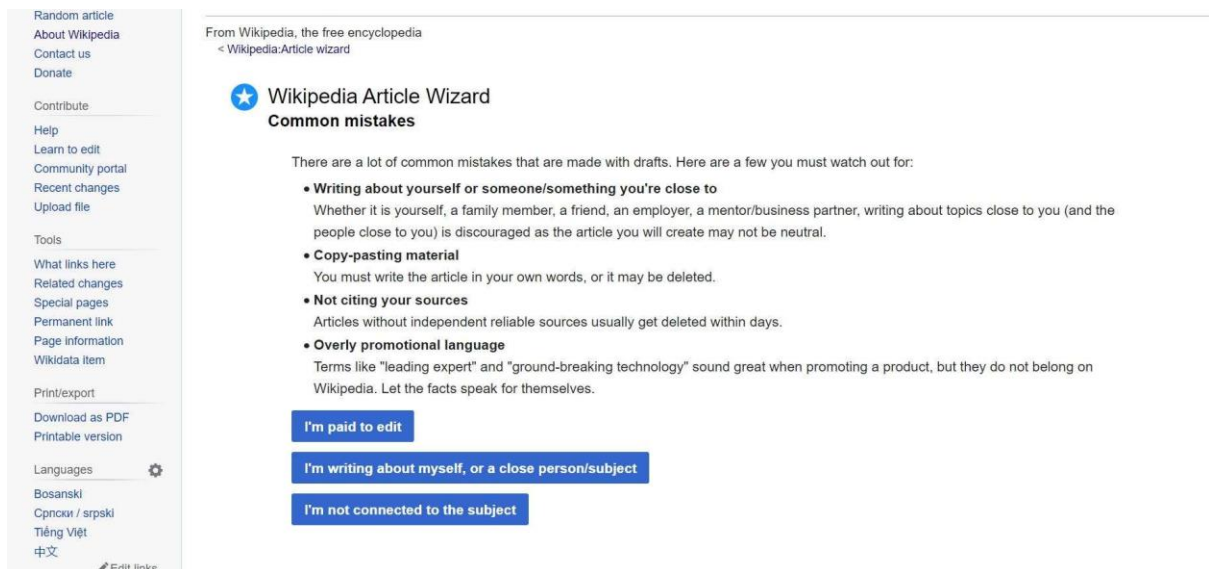


The screenshot shows the Wikipedia Article Wizard page. The header includes the Wikipedia logo, a user profile for "Stilljennifer", and navigation links like "Talk", "Read", "View source", "View history", and "Search Wikipedia". The main content area is titled "Wikipedia Article Wizard" and "Welcome". It includes a message: "Thank you for your interest in contributing to Wikipedia! Before creating a draft article, you can practice by first editing in Wikipedia's community sandbox. It's a great way to try out editing without affecting live articles. If you need some help along the way, see our guide to your first article." Below this message, there are two buttons: "Next" and "Practice in the community sandbox". A red arrow points to the "Practice in the community sandbox" button.



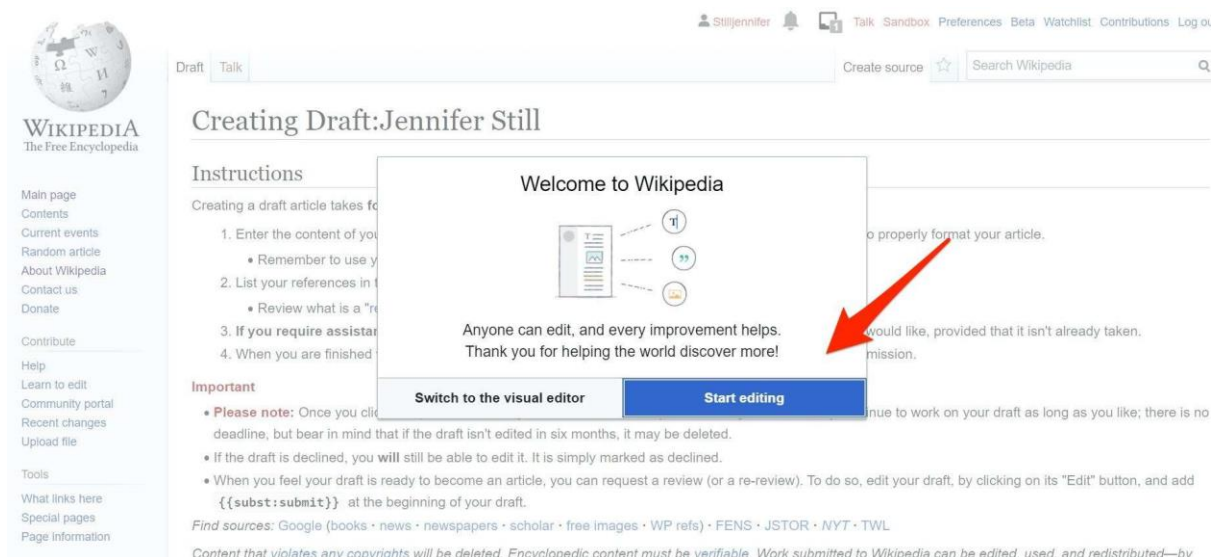
5. After reviewing and agreeing to notability and other publication requirements, click "Next."

6. Select the appropriate option to let Wikipedia know if you're a paid editor, you're writing about yourself, or someone you know/are close to, or if you're writing about a subject to which you have no connection.



7. Enter a name for your draft, then click "Create new article draft."

8. In the pop-up box that appears, select "Start editing" to begin writing your article in the appropriate field.

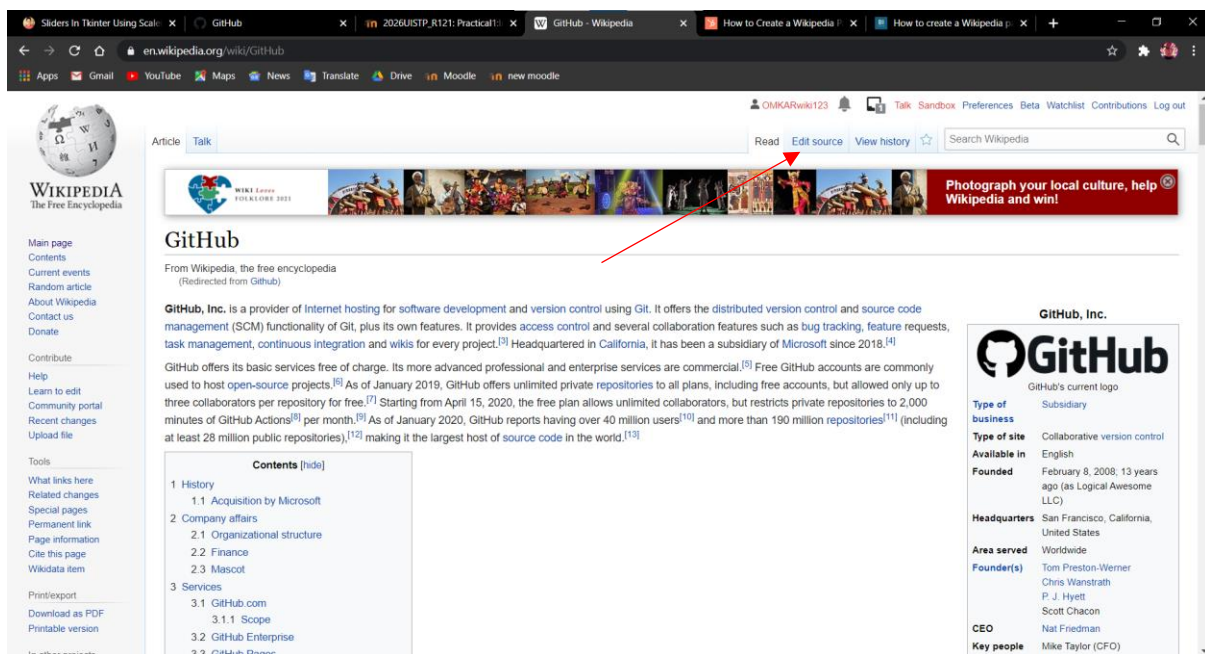


9. When finished with your edits, click "Publish" to save your article to draft.

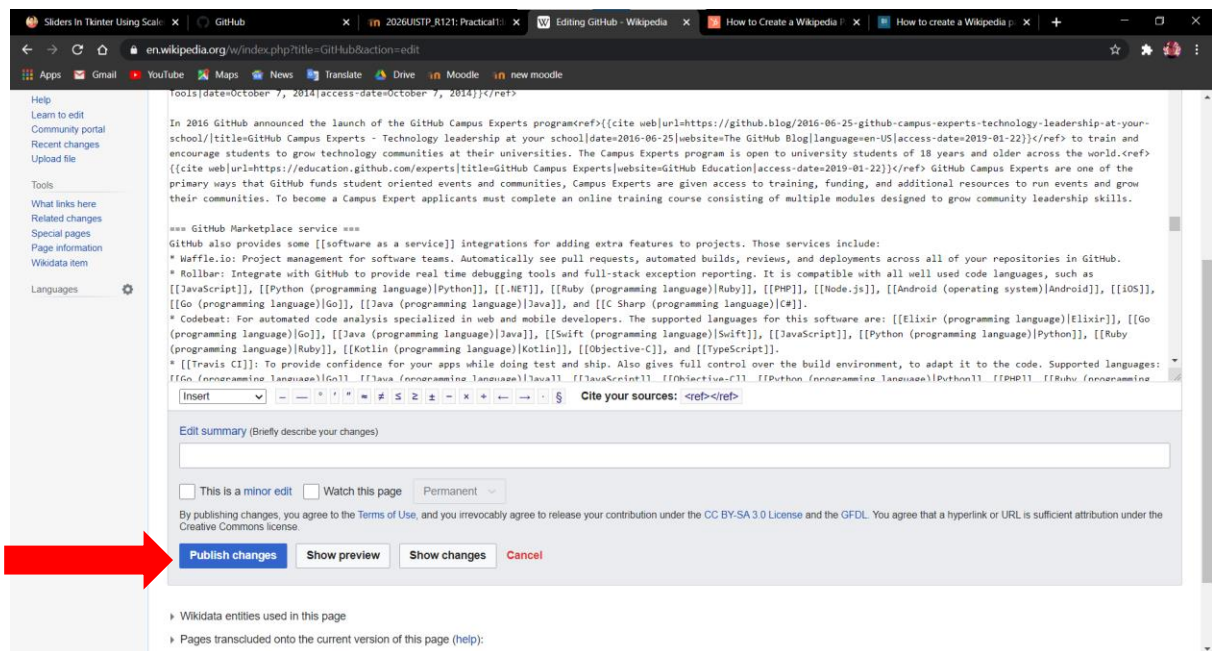


## d) Editing your page on Wikipedia:

- 1) Go to the page you want to edit
- 2) Click on edit source



- 3) Do the changes you wanted to make and click on publish changes



Your changes will be made and will be visible to all users visiting the page