Some boasting, moaning and inside humour from victim #0 | User:Spiritia | Vassia Atanassova
Victims #2 (Ijon | Asaf) and #22 (Lord Bumbury | Nikola) at WIKICON’2015, Berlin

Author: (Probably) Brion Vibber. :}
So, what it is, and what it is not

- **It is not** a project or program
  - No matter that there is a timeframe and a preset SMART\(^1\) goal

- **It is not** an article writing contest or competition between those who undertake #100wikidays
  - *The only competition worthy of a wise man is with himself.*
    (Washington Allston)

\(^{1}\) [https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Grants:Evaluation/Program_Goals_and_Measurable_Results](https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Grants:Evaluation/Program_Goals_and_Measurable_Results)
So, what it is, and what it is not.

Vassia's evil masterplan for world domination (Asaf)

It's like tamagotchis and Farmville, but useful (Victor, who is not a victim)

It's a marathon, it's not a sprint (Lord Bumby)

The new icebucket (Haitham)

#100wikidays = sleep deprivation

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So, what it is, and what it is not

• Seriously, it is a **self**-challenge.
  It is a personal one – mine for me, yours for you.
There are some notable characteristics

• ... and the period of 100 days is NOT among them.
• Goal, which is difficult per your standards, and pursue it.
• What counts more is the regularity and persistence.
• The Peer Pressure effect – making a commitment in front of a community, who you care for.
  – Probably, not quite rewarding, but quite effective.
  – Probably, the most rewarding aspect of #100wikidays is
• The Domino effect – interact, inspire, involve!
If a tree falls in the woods and no one is around to hear, does it make a sound?
Here comes the role of social media

• #100wikidays is a good example that social media *can* be used as an instrument to foster Wikimedian collaboration,
  – rather than dissipate precious volunteers' attention and efforts

• Especially characteristic for Facebook atmosphere:
  – Friendliness, showing appreciation, “Like” and no “Dislike”
  – Possibility to easily and virally interact with the content
Have pleasure, have fun!

• Coded deeply in the genetics of the #100wikidays
  – which stems from the social media buzz “#100happydays”.
• For me, it became my way to recollect, to recapture the pleasure of editing Wikipedia.
  
  As such, it might be tried as a possible method to retain editors, suffering wiki stress and wiki burn-out.
• And it’s also the pleasure that you get from overcoming difficulties, and stretch yourself beyond your limits.

Author: Oscarjosue | Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Cuerpo_humano_jaqaru.jpg
It's not the mountain we conquer, but ourselves.
– Edmund Hillary
Choosing topics for #100wikidays...

• Make a list of red links for topics which are important for you, to guide you through the journey.
  – Asaf and Petar’s motto: “If she were a man, this article would not have been missing!”

• Be spontaneous (in other words, *chaotic*), look around yourself, and let the topics find you day by day.
  – This requires slight re-definition of the concept of “day”: “Period from waking up to hitting the Save button”
  • “Sleep is for the weak!”
Practical advice 1: Consider the scope!

One article a day means that most often these will not classify as featured articles :) Unless with a good reason, do not create 100 stubs. No need to aim at something "outstanding". It can easily be:
Practical advice 2: Pay 1, Get 2!

• If there is a concurrent article writing competition, thematic week, or something similar, do combine it with #100wikidays. Effect of symbiosis, even synergy.
  – Thus you will always have a pool of topics you can select from, if no better idea occurs.
  – In my (our) case, CEESpring2015 conceived during the CEE Wikimedia Meetup in Kiev was a perfect match!
  – As Asaf has put it once:
    “When in doubt, write about Estonians.”
Practical advice 3: Get inspired!

- Just have a look in the Meta page

https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/100wikidays

for what other co-victims have written, and get inspired, get viral.
What if *something* happens?! 

• “What if something happens during #100wikidays that objectively limits my writing capabilities?”
  – Moan about it, we'll listen to you with compassion
What if *something* happens?!

- "What if something happens during #100wikidays that objectively limits my writing capabilities?"
  - Have a really bad headache?
    Heal it with an article.
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- “What if something happens during #100wikidays that objectively limits my writing capabilities?”
  - Half dead? Okaay...
    This very time, we allow you to write “only a stub”.

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Krzysztof Machocki
Yesterday at 01:12 · Warsaw, Poland

#100wikidays 003 #CEESpring - I'm half dead, so only a stub, but at least a decently-sourced one, on one of Turkey's richest women, Güler Sabancı. https://pl.wikipedia.org/wiki/G%C3%B6l%C3%A7_Sabanc%C4%B1

Güler Sabancı – Wikipedia, wolna encyklopedia
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  – Very well! Write an article *about* this objective something!
Sometimes we have a survivor...

- #0, Spiritia: A Very Long Engagement
- #3, Ата: List of National Monuments of the United States
- #4, Antanana: Turtles all the way down
- #6, Satdeep Gill: Roald Amundsen
- #19, Ehrich91: Historical Dictionary of Switzerland
- #21, Papuass: Julia Reda
- #22, Lord Bumbury: Olympic spirit
- #35, AgrisR: Anni-Frid Lyngstad

... and counting!
Alumni therapy (or "Is there life after the #100wikidays")

Sleep!

Create the missing Wikidata items

Start AGAIN!

Improve your 100 articles, expand your stubs

Start a #100commonsdays or #100wikiquotedays
Some inside #100wikidays jokes

Vassia Atanassova
28 March · Sofia · Edited

Ladies and gentlemen, new #100wikidays vict... eeerh, member Vojtěch Dostál! Voitech, add your name and daily articles in the Meta page, please.

Like · Comment · Share

Gregory Varnum, Tito Dutta, Satdeep Gill and 8 others like this. Seen by 90

Vira Motorko There's no need in being super polite. Victim is victim and all the story with #100wikidays is about

Stockholm syndrome - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
Stockholm syndrome, or capture-bonding, is a...
EN.WIKIPEDIA.ORG

28 March at 22:36 · Unlike · 4 · Remove Preview
Some inside #100wikidays jokes

Vira Motorko
15 June · Kyiv, Ukraine

I hate edit conflicts on Meta page 😞 I have them every time for a number of last days. And what is worse—can't say that it's bad

Unlike · Comment · Share

You, Asaf Bartov, Satdeep Gill, Sailesh Patnaik and 3 others like this.

Gheorghe A. Iordachi I don't have any conflicts. am i updating the right page? 😞
15 June at 16:30 · Unlike · 2

Icsan Mochtar can't wait for victim 100's comment on this... 😊
16 June at 11:19 · Edited · Like · 1

Write a comment...
Some inside #100wikidays jokes

Background:

Antanana cuts her hair short, and uses the occasion to write in uk: about Sinead O’Connor’s song “Nothing Compares 2 U”, her day 53.

It gets viral and Lord Bumbury also writes about the song in bg:, his day 46.
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Actually, 2 ½.
To wrap it up!

• To new victims who will join later today:

  You don't have to be crazy to start #100wikidays.

  But it helps.

• To survivors – current and future ones: (attr Lord Bumbury)

  You have proved to yourself that you can follow an aim for 100 days if you like it.

  Don't tell that to your boss.