

Wiktionary users overview

The poster is based on our conversations with Wiktionary users on-Wiki and at Wikimania; in addition we conducted two in-depth interviews with experienced users

Interests and Motivations of Wikidata users

An interest in Language(s) itself seems to be common: linguistics, learning languages, preserving a language, etymology... Specializations are more towards » improving etymologies«, »vocabulary I learned« and less towards a topic like »Animals« or »Technology«.



Wiktionary user meeting – Credit/License: [1]

Structuring data with templates

Data on Wiktionary is structured explicitly using Wikitext templates. Links to words, grammatical Forms, phonetic transcription etc. have own templates. Knowing the most basic templates (~20) is needed to edit Wiktionary successfully.

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===Etymology===
[[File:Apfelernte 01 (RaBoe).jpg|thumb|[[apple|
to harvest and sell the fruit from it, he or st

From {{der|en|LL.|usufructus}}, from {{der|en|l
{{m|it|usofrutto}}, {{cog|oc|usufrug}}, {{cog|p

===Pronunciation===
* {{a|RP}} {{IPA|/'juːz(j)uːfʌkt/|lang=en}}
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Wiktionary wikitext with templates

Social Nets are smaller

The communities are much smaller than the one on de.WP or en.WP. This leads to:

- “Recent Changes” is actually useful
- Article talk pages are less used, instead meeting places like “tea room” are used for article discussions

Small community does not mean that people know each other in person.

Wiktionary discussion rooms <small>(edit)</small> <small>see also: requests</small>			
Information desk <small>new archives</small> Newcomers' questions, minor problems, specific requests for information or assistance.	Tea room <small>new archives</small> Questions and discussions about specific words .	Etymology scriptorium <small>new archives</small> Questions and discussions about etymology —the historical development of words.	Beer parlour <small>new archives</small> General policy discussions and proposals, requests for permissions and major announcements.

[All Wiktionary: namespace discussions 1 2 3 4 5 - All discussion pag](#)

Discussion rooms of the english Wiktionary community



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[1] Chen - WMIL ([https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:WMIL_First_Wiktionary_Course_-_Final_meeting_\(3\).jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:WMIL_First_Wiktionary_Course_-_Final_meeting_(3).jpg)), <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/legalcode>