Popular Science Communication – on Wikipedia

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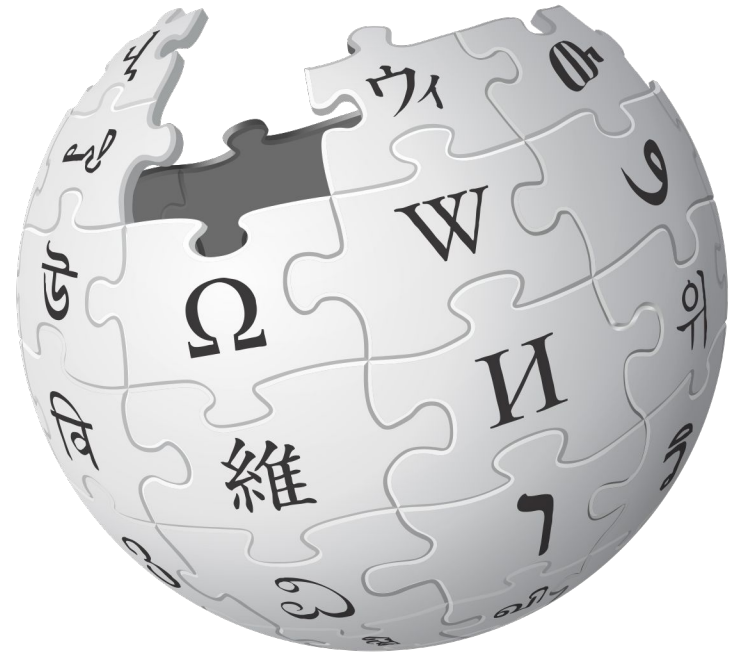
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Content today

- How does Wikipedia work, really?

- Reliability aspects

- How could we work on and with Wikipedia?

The Wikimedia Family

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"Imagine a world in which every single person on the planet is given free access to the sum of all human knowledge.
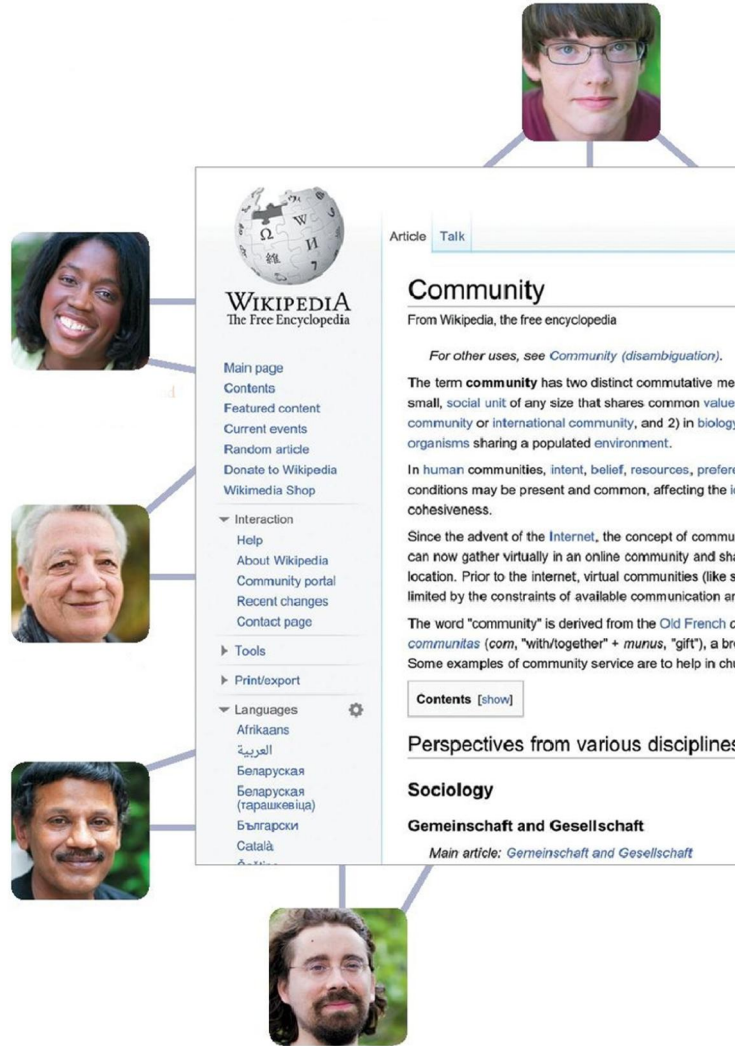That's what we're doing."

Community driven

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Who decides?

Wikipedia is run, edited and controlled by people just as you and I.

For people just as you and I.

Pillars

WIKIPEDIA IS AN ENCYCLOPEDIA

- ❏ No original research

- ❏ There is a style form for the text

- ❏ Everything does not fit in an encyclopedia, there is a notability criteria

EDITORS SHOULD TREAT EACH OTHER WITH RESPECT AND CIVILITY

- ❏ Respect your fellow wikipedians, even when you don't agree

- ❏ Never use Wikipedia as a battleground

FREE CONTENT THAT ANYONE CAN USE, EDIT AND DISTRIBUTE

- ❏ All users license their work under free license, so anyone can use it – even for commercial reasons

- ❏ Plagiarizing from other sources is forbidden and controlled

A NEUTRAL POINT OF VIEW

- ❏ Wikipedia characterize information and issues rather than debate them, presenting different opinions where such exist

- ❏ No commercials of any kind

WIKIPEDIA HAS NO FIRM RULES

- ❏ There are policies and guidelines, but they are always open for discussion

- ❏ The principles and spirit is what matters

- ❏ Be bold!

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Source criticism: [Talk](#) and [history](#) pages

Conflict of interest

- One of the trickiest aspects
- Remember:
  - Neutral point of view
  - Be open with who you are
  - Use the Talk pages for input and help
  - Citation, citation, citation
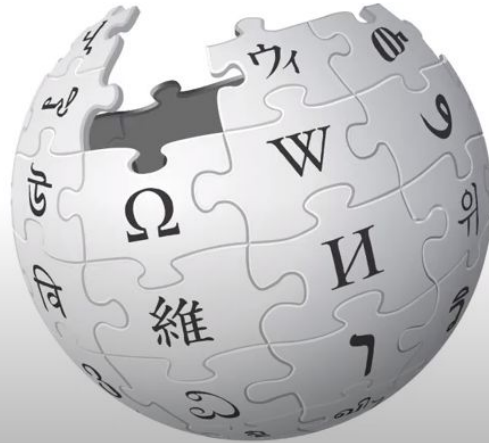

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Style

- ❏ Remember it is an encyclopedia for *every*one
- ❏ Write for the future reader, avoiding undefined time marks such as "recently"
- ❏ Follow established language norms (or discuss this on Talk pages)
- ❏ Disposition:
  - ❏ Introduction that concludes the topic
  - ❏ Main text divided with headlines
  - ❏ External links, See also
  - ❏ References
  - ❏ Categories

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The beginning of information seeking – not the end.

Why me?

"Femke Nijsse, a climate researcher, made her first Wikipedia edit seven years ago. In 2018, she started editing Wikipedia's English climate change webpage. Since then, she's grown increasingly obsessed.

"I slowly got more addicted," said Nijsse, who recently submitted a Ph.D. thesis in mathematics at the University of Exeter's climate systems group."

Mashable | The guardians of Wikipedia's climate change page

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Educate yourself

What does it sound like?

Wikipedia is being changed in real time,
by the active community
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Thank you!

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