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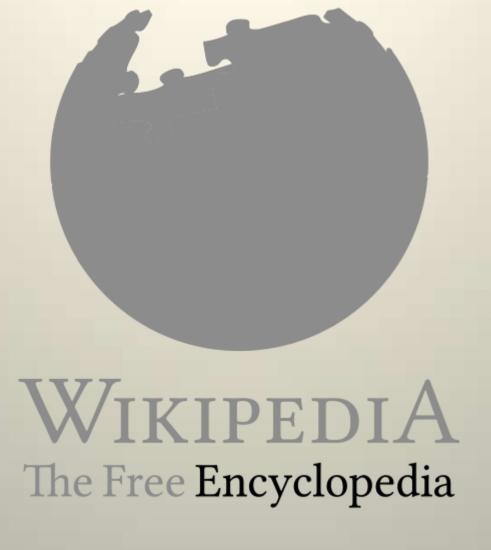
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- 20 million
- Digital media files
- 4 million
- English language articles

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Wikimedia project coordination



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Directory of species



Wiktionary

Dictionary and thesaurus

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