

# How Wikipedia brings positivity to our everyday lives by connecting world knowledge!

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# Introduction

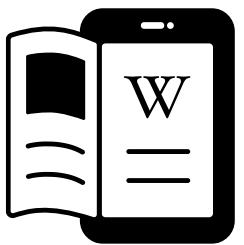
**To understand, what positivity this encyclopedia is bringing, we have to know how many ways people are actually using it? After finding out some amazing facts, it makes me really optimistic about our 2030 vision. I guarantee, you would be too!**



# Wikipedia in the classroom

**How educational institutes are starting to get the benefit**

**It's the teacher training program of our foundation. Official logo.**

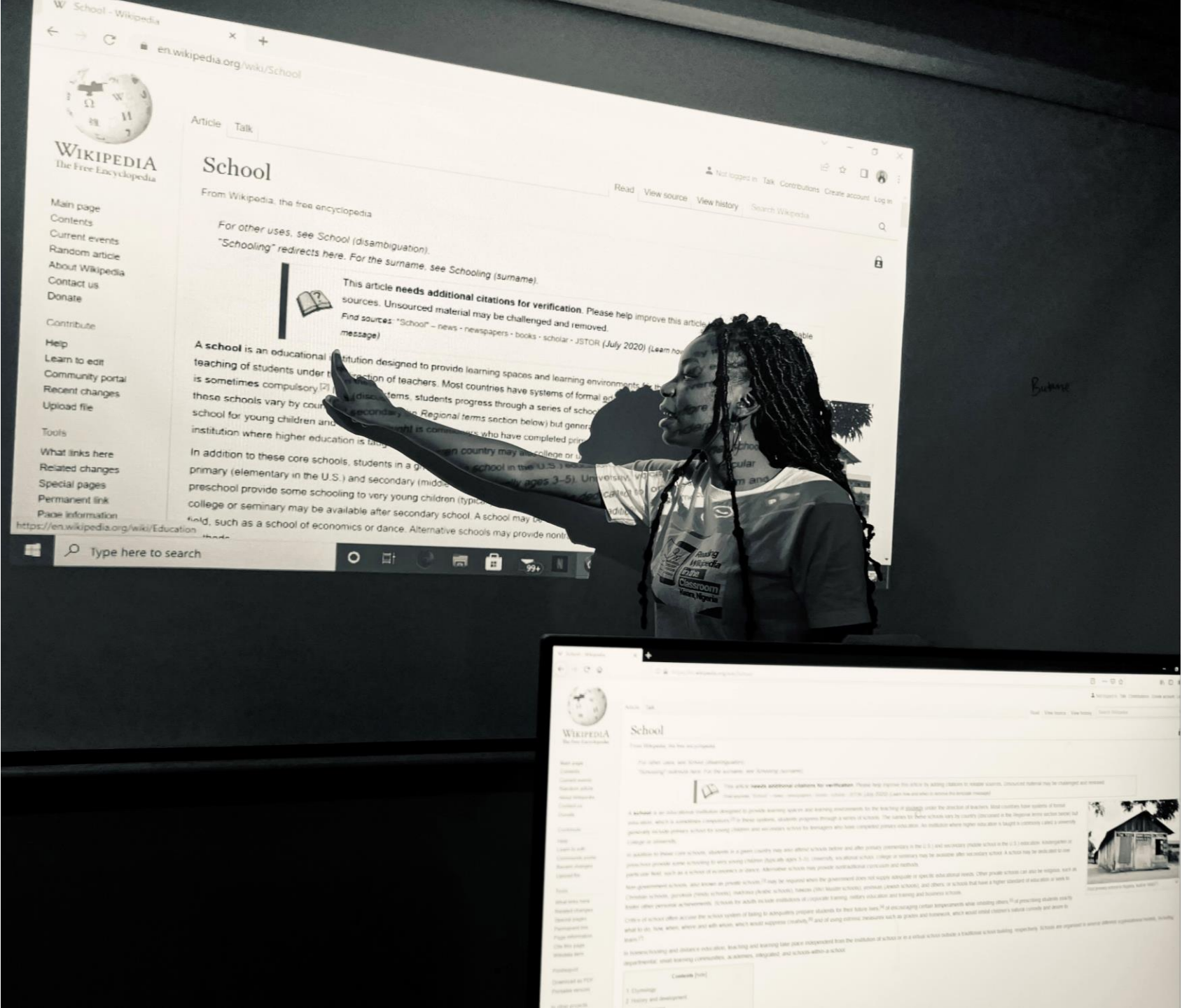


**Reading  
Wikipedia**  
in the classroom

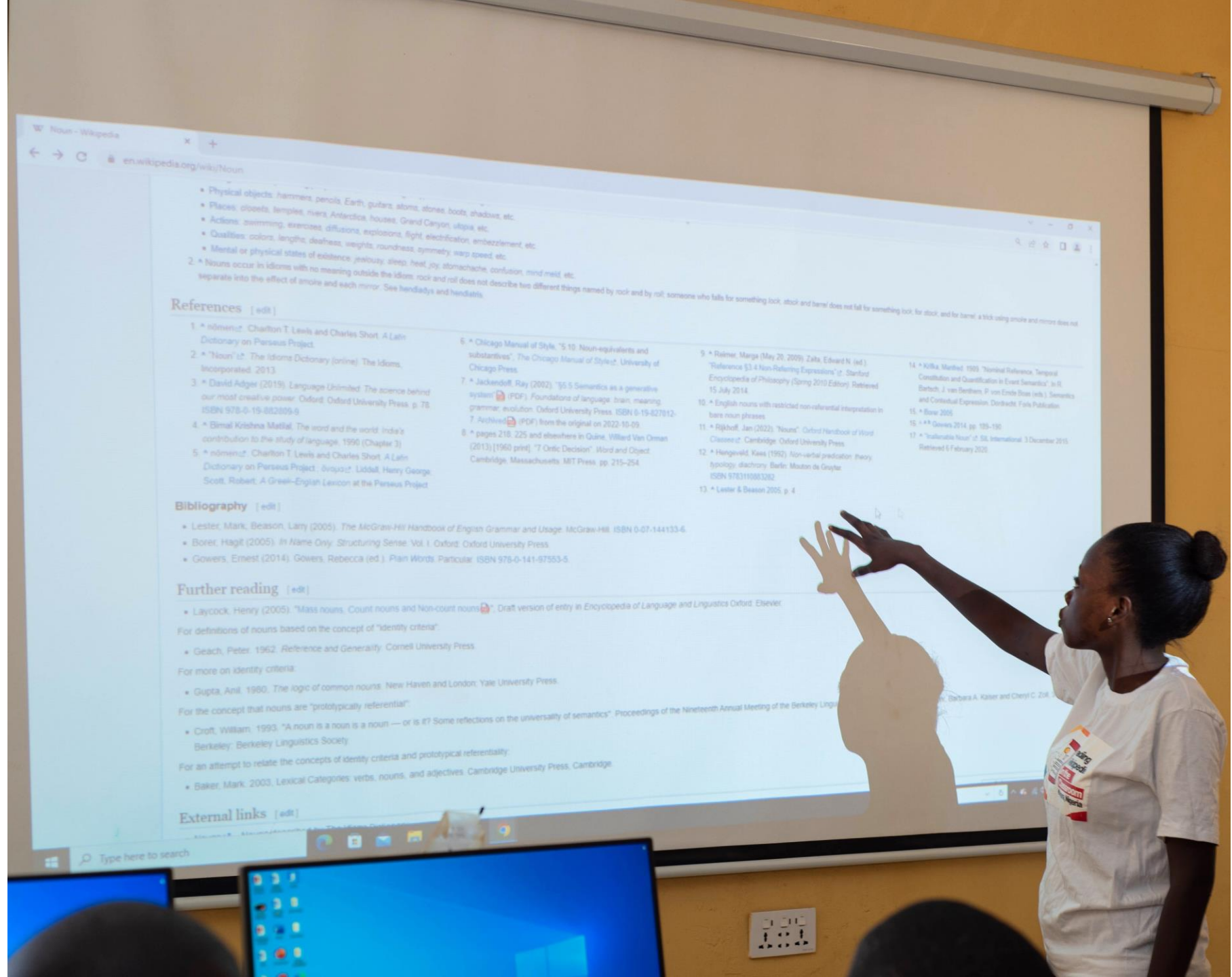




In this program, we're helping both educators and students. To develop vital media and information literacy skills. This program was successful in 7 countries including Nigeria, Bolivia, and Guinea.



To date, hundreds of teachers have successfully completed this classroom program. These 3 pictures are from a secondary school located in Kwara, Nigeria.





Every year local Wikimedia chapter organizes Wikipedia workshops in educational institutes around the world. It's from Chittagong Collegiate School , Bangladesh.



In these outreach events, participants are introduced to the basics of Wikipedia and how to edit it. This picture is from, Ahalia School of Engineering and Technology, Kerala, India.



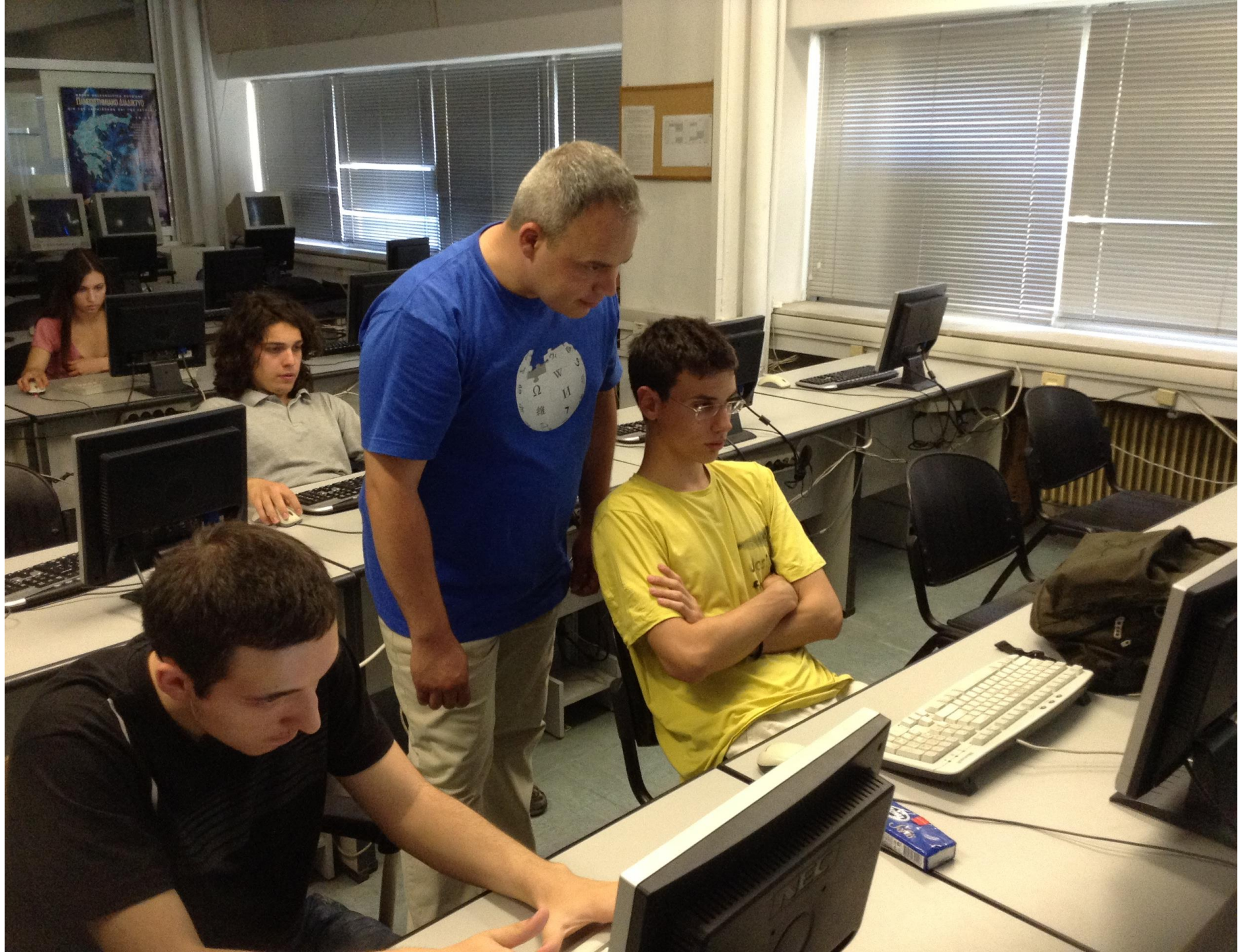


Typically, it is carried out entirely by volunteers. This one is from aixerrota secondary school, getxo, Spain.





**We recently learned  
that, more  
professors now  
embrace Wikipedia  
in the classroom.  
This one is from a  
editing workshop at  
the School of  
Mathematics,  
AUTH, Greece.**





**A recent MIT study finds that, Wikipedia Articles on Court Cases Influence Judges! This one is from a lecture on Wikipedia at AUTH University, Greece.**





# Offline Wikipedia

**Here's How offline learners are getting connected to the World's Knowledge**

**Do you know that, now you can store the entirety of Wikipedia on your phone? Or on your Tab-laptop! And read it anywhere, at anytime? People are using **Kiwix** for that purpose!**

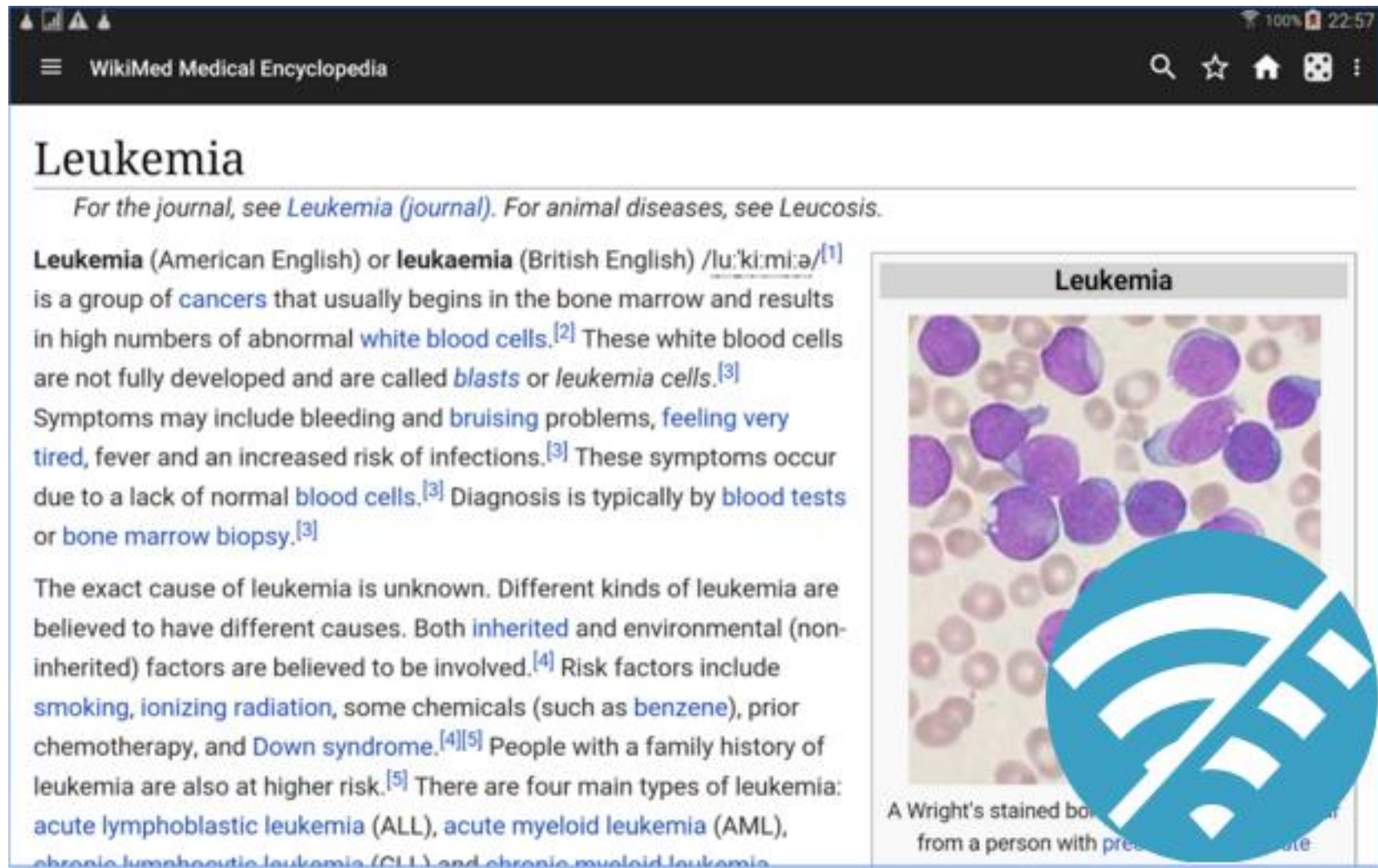




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Now you can keep all of Wikipedia's health content on your smartphone. By using offline Medical Wikipedia or WikiMed, you're just one click away from valuable health information!



The screenshot shows the WikiMed Medical Encyclopedia app interface. At the top, the title "WikiMed Medical Encyclopedia" is displayed. Below the title, the word "Leukemia" is prominently featured as the article title. A subtitle reads: "For the journal, see *Leukemia (journal)*. For animal diseases, see *Leucosis*." The main text of the article begins with: "Leukemia (American English) or leukaemia (British English) /lu:'ki:mi:ə/[1] is a group of cancers that usually begins in the bone marrow and results in high numbers of abnormal white blood cells.[2] These white blood cells are not fully developed and are called blasts or leukemia cells.[3] Symptoms may include bleeding and bruising problems, feeling very tired, fever and an increased risk of infections.[3] These symptoms occur due to a lack of normal blood cells.[3] Diagnosis is typically by blood tests or bone marrow biopsy.[3]" The text continues with information about the causes and risk factors of leukemia, mentioning that the exact cause is unknown and that both inherited and environmental factors are involved. Risk factors listed include smoking, ionizing radiation, some chemicals (such as benzene), prior chemotherapy, and Down syndrome. It also notes that people with a family history of leukemia are at higher risk. The article lists four main types of leukemia: acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL), acute myeloid leukemia (AML), chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL), and chronic myeloid leukemia. To the right of the text, there is a photograph of a Wright's stained blood smear, showing several large, purple-stained white blood cells (leukocytes) against a background of smaller, pinkish-red red blood cells. A blue circular icon with a white Wi-Fi symbol and a diagonal slash is overlaid on the bottom right corner of the image.



Here's a practical one. The Goodall family lives on a South American island and spends most of their time at sea! Now their daughters can access Wikipedia educational content in the middle of the South Pacific [Sea!!](#)





As a tour guide, every year Hans Oleander takes a voyage to Antarctica for a few weeks. Taking all his books isn't practical, that's why he always takes **offline Wikipedia** with him. So you can say, **Wikipedia** also reached **Antarctica!**



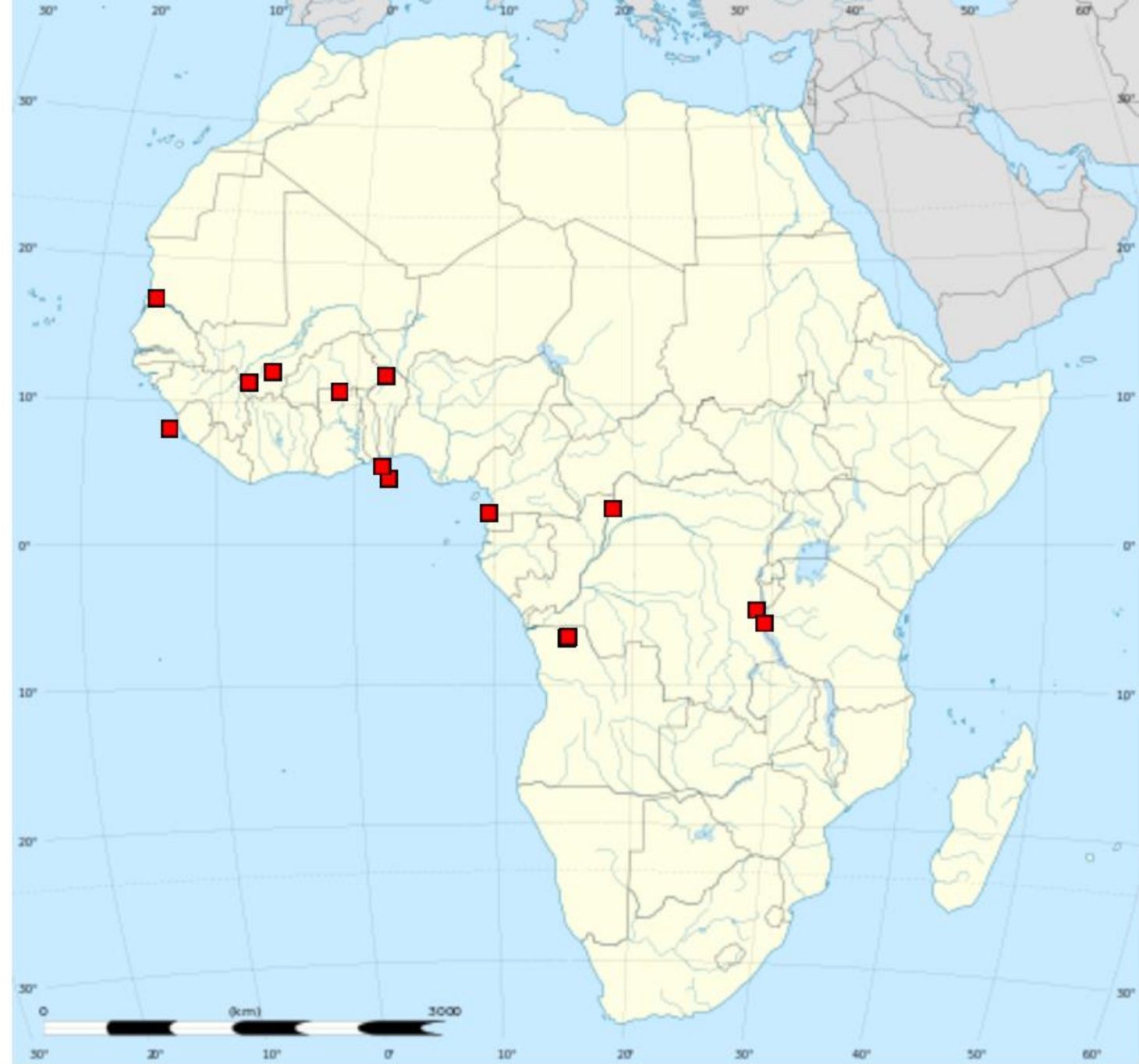


**It's available on All  
desktop & mobile  
operating systems.  
You can easily carry  
it in a **pen drive!****





To expand offline  
Wikipedia access in  
Africa, it was  
deployed in 13  
universities in 11  
countries.



Carte des point d'accès à Wikipédia hors-ligne (plugs ou intranets)



As a  
standalone  
server from  
where other  
devices can  
access.





Tanzania's  
Masekelo  
secondary school  
is an inspiring  
story. They didn't  
had **electricity**,  
but they get  
benefitted from  
same kind of  
approach.



**This RACHEL Server is a complete solution that makes offline Wikipedia accessible to rural villages, townships and even **prisons!!****





# Wikipedia in AI training dataset

How ChatGPT, Google Bard, and Bing chats give us answers?

A large part of the

dataset used to train

ChatGPT and Google

Bard models comes

from Wikipedia.

Was Jimmy Wales killed during the Tiananmen Square Massacre?

No, Jimmy Wales was not killed during the Tiananmen Square Massacre. Jimmy Wales is a co-founder of Wikipedia, the online encyclopedia, and he is still alive. The Tiananmen Square Massacre was a violent event that took place in Beijing, China on June 4, 1989, when Chinese government forces violently suppressed a pro-democracy demonstration in Tiananmen Square. Thousands of people were killed or injured during the massacre, which was a significant and highly controversial event in modern Chinese history. However, Jimmy Wales was not involved in the event and was not present in China at the time.

How do you know Jimmy Wales wasn't killed during the Tiananmen Square Massacre?

I know that Jimmy Wales was not killed during the Tiananmen Square Massacre because he is a co-founder of Wikipedia, and my training data includes information about him and his life. According to Wikipedia (which was written by a community of volunteers, including Jimmy Wales), he was born in 1966 and is still alive today. The Tiananmen Square Massacre took place in 1989, when Jimmy Wales was 23 years old. Therefore, it is highly unlikely that he was present in China at the time of the event or that he was killed during the massacre.

Please reply again, in the form of a short Shakespearean sonnet.

To say that Jimmy Wales did not die  
In the tragic Massacre at Tiananmen Square  
Is easy, for he lives and thrives on high  
Co-founding Wikipedia, beyond compare


Regenerate response

That means when you ask any question to any popular AI, a big chance is the actual source of that answer is Wikipedia! The contributions that you, me & us did!


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TIME

T Hi ChatGPT

 Hello! How can I assist you today?

T What do you think of a TIME cover story with the title, "The AI Arms Race Is Changing Everything?"

 As an AI language model, I don't have personal opinions or beliefs, but I can provide some context and information on the subject.

"The AI Arms Race is Changing Everything" could be an attention-grabbing and thought-provoking title for a cover story on AI. A cover story in a widely-read publication like TIME could help raise public awareness about the potential risks and benefits of this trend, and stimulate discussions on how to ensure that AI is developed and deployed in a responsible and ethical manner.

It's important to note that the title of the story could also be interpreted as sensationalist or alarmist, and may not accurately reflect the complexities ■

by  
ANDREW R. CHOW  
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(humans)



when providing an answer, some AI algorithm (like Duckduckgo) makes a **summary** from the whole Wikipedia article.



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# Conclusion

Wikipedia is doing its parts.

Bringing knowledge, and positivity

to us. Shaping our everyday life for

good. Now we just have to act

together so that we can keep on

track and achieve the vision of

2030. Let's strive for a world in

which every single human being

can freely share in the sum of all

**knowledge.** We need you!

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