Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

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Housekeeping

Wifi, wiki event page, username creation

Create A Username/Sign-in : en.wikipedia.org

Navigate to the wiki event page

1. Go to en.wikipedia.org
2. Enter the following shortcut into the search bar (top right).

WP:WMDC-APHM

3. Bookmark this page. We will use it throughout the day.

Wiki Event Page

Shortcut
WP:WMDC-APHM

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Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

Asian Pacific American people, places, and events that shaped our world have gone under- and unrepresented in the historical record. This APA History Month, join archivists, historians, and the public for a Wikipedia edit-a-thon where we will edit and improve Wikipedia content related to Asian Pacific America using source material from the National Archives. New to Wikipedia? Don't worry - Training and lunch will be provided. Laptops are required. Please bring your own. Wikimedia has two laptops to loan. Reserve one by emailing info@wikimediadc.org.

The APA edit-a-thon will be held in the Innovation Hub at the National Archives Research Center, 700 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20408. Please bring a picture ID and enter the building at the Pennsylvania Avenue entrance.

National Archives and Records Administration

When

Wednesday, May 8, 2019 10AM-2PM

Where

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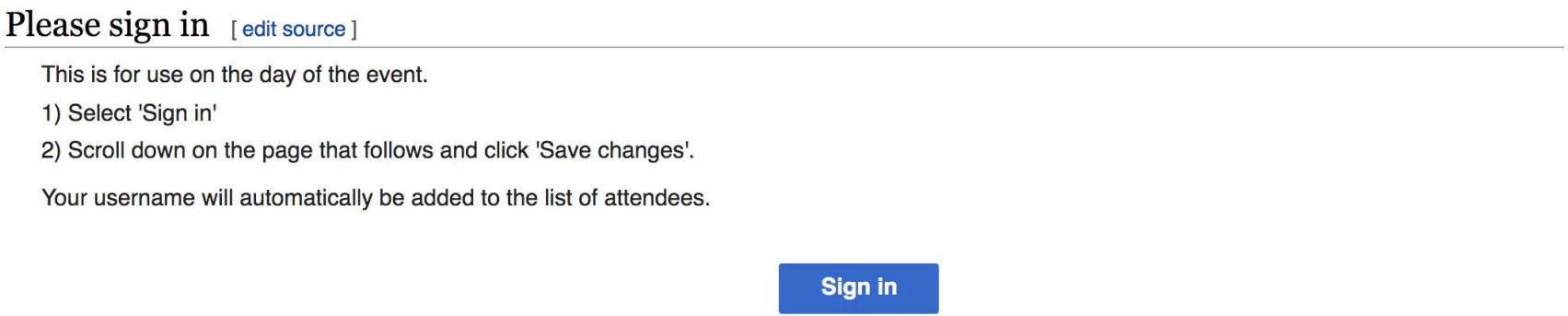

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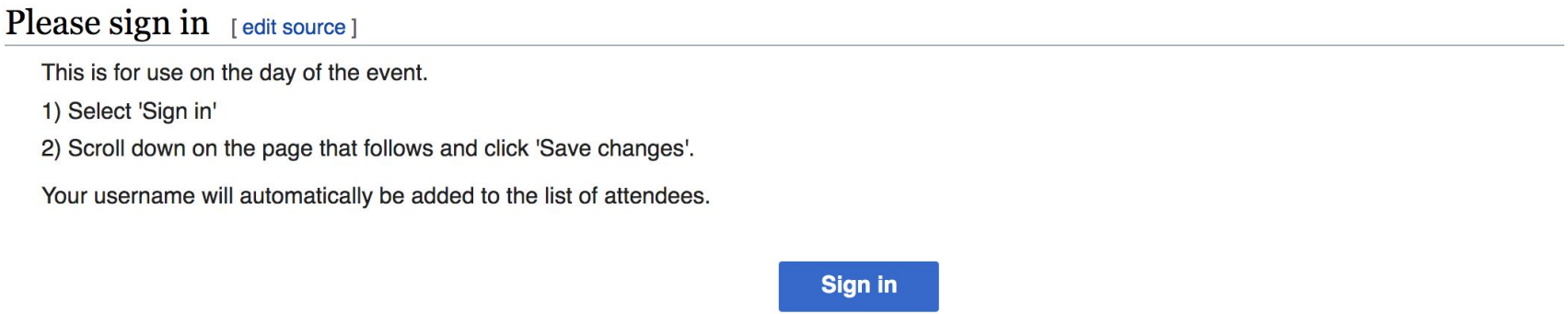

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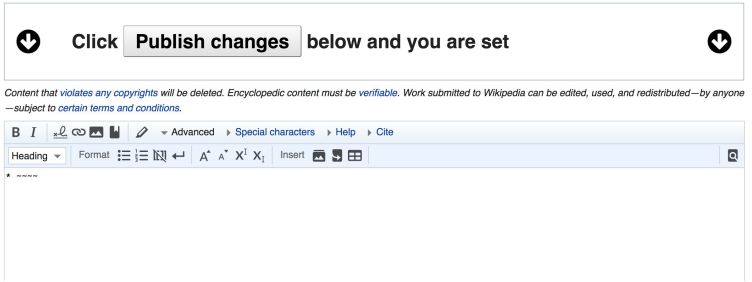

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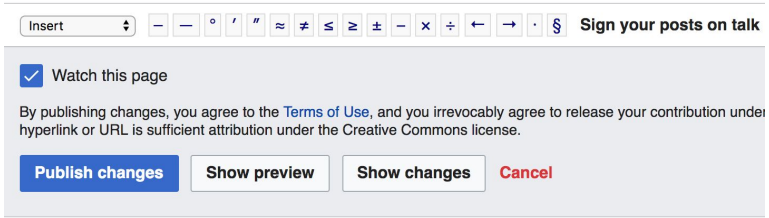

Wikipedia

What exactly is it, anyway???

What is Wikipedia?

Wikipedia is a multilingual, web-based, free encyclopedia based on a model of openly editable content. It is the largest and most popular general reference work on the Internet. [Wikipedia] is supported by the Wikimedia Foundation, a non-profit organization which operates on money it receives from donors.

From Wikipedia (en)

Wikipedia: the 21st-century encyclopedia

“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.”

-Jimmy Wales, co-founder, Wikipedia

About us

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5+ million articles, 270+ languages

75k active editors/month, 11k very active editors/month

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Wikipedia Basics and Policies

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Wikis

- A website where anyone can edit any page at any time
- Meant to be "quick"
- Remembers all versions (nothing ever destroyed)
- Hyperlinks between pages

Wikipedia Five Pillars

- Wikipedia is an encyclopedia
- Wikipedia is written from a neutral point of view
- Wikipedia is free content that anyone can use, edit, and distribute
- Wikipedia's editors should treat each other with respect and civility
- Wikipedia has no firm rules

Wikipedia Policies

- **Neutral Point of View** - written so all sides can agree
- **Notability** - significant independent sources -> importance
- **Verifiability** - Using reliable sources to reference information
- **No original research** - point to existing scholarship
- **Assume good faith** - start with congenial spirit
- **Conflicts of interest** - disclose and abide by terms of service

Additional policies: Wikipedia:List of policies

Why Edit?

Photo: Women's Economic Empowerment Edit-a-thon, Embassy of Sweden

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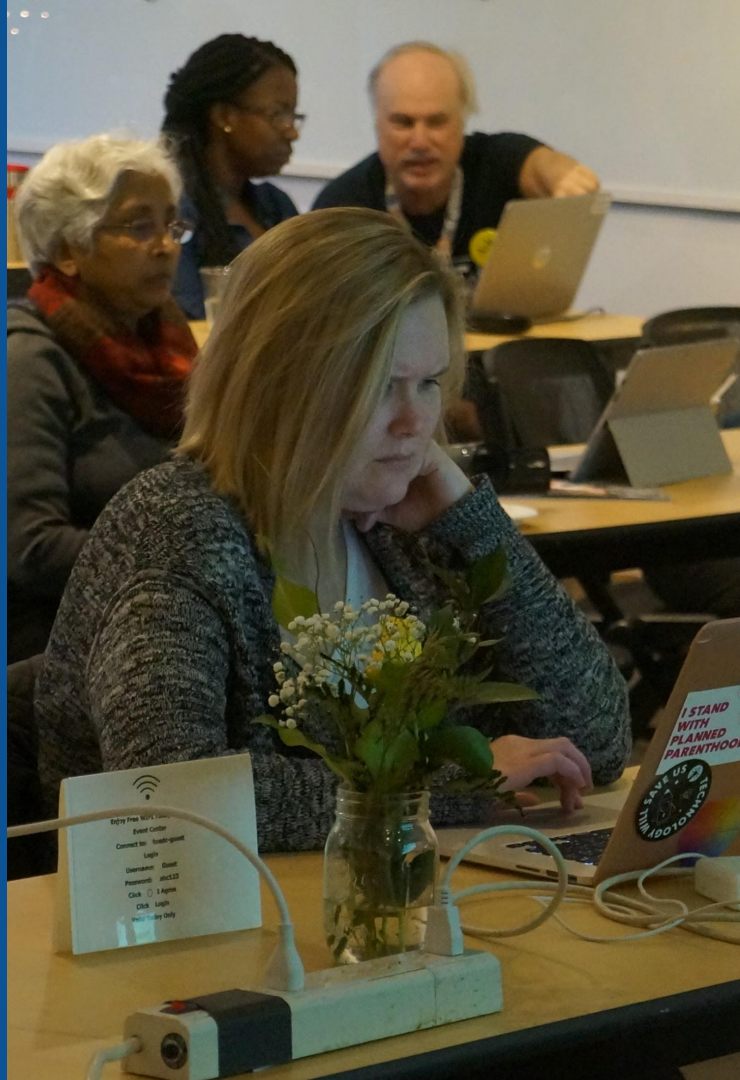

Why Edit?

Because #FactsMatter

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xQ4ba28-oGs

Wikipedia's Gender Gap

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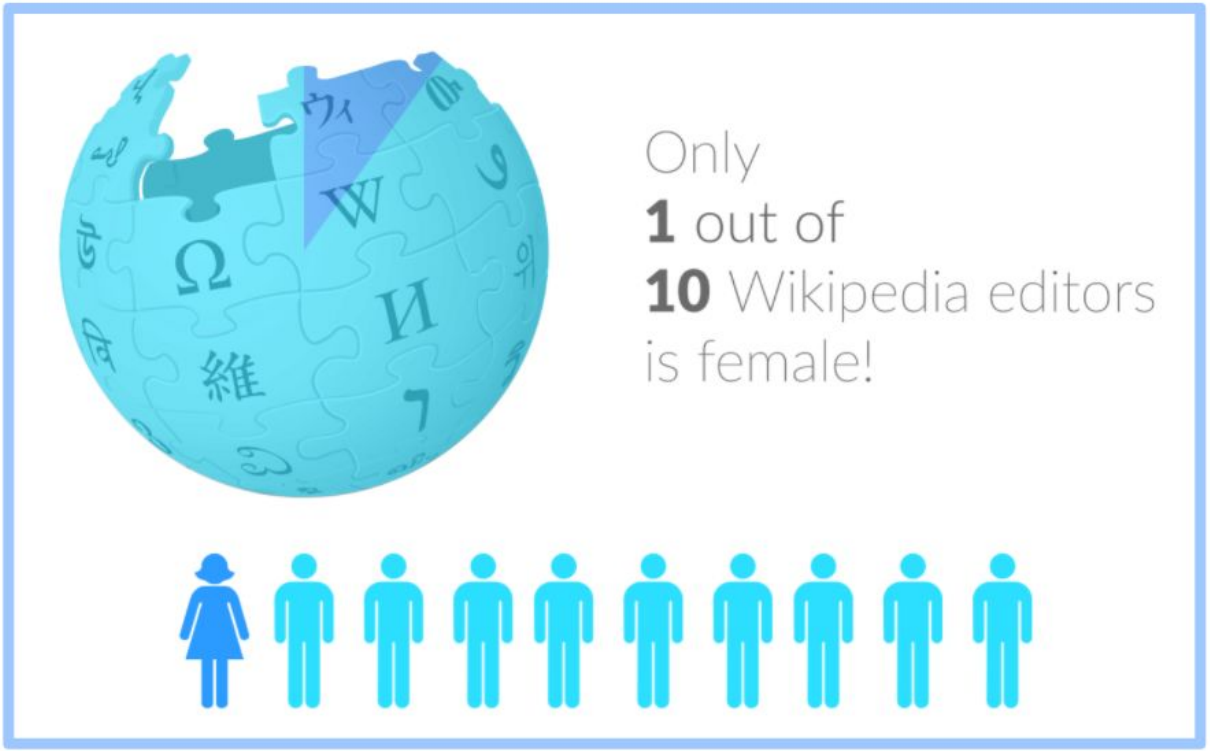
Editor gender gap? Unsilence the silent



Content gender gap? Make the invisible visible

Percentage of women's biographies

November 2014	March 2019
15%	17.74%
English language Wikipedia	English language Wikipedia

How Can We Fix This?

- Engagement through edit-a-thons, training opportunities and Wikiprojects like Women in Red. (Example: NMWA event featured the the BBC)
- Partnerships with nonprofits*, colleges/universities, government entities and beyond

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***75% of nonprofit employees are female.**
These nonprofits include educational, scientific and literary organizations. It's time to engage these 'gatekeepers'.

*Source The White House Project's 2009 report, ***Benchmarking Women's Leadership***,

Set Preferences

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Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

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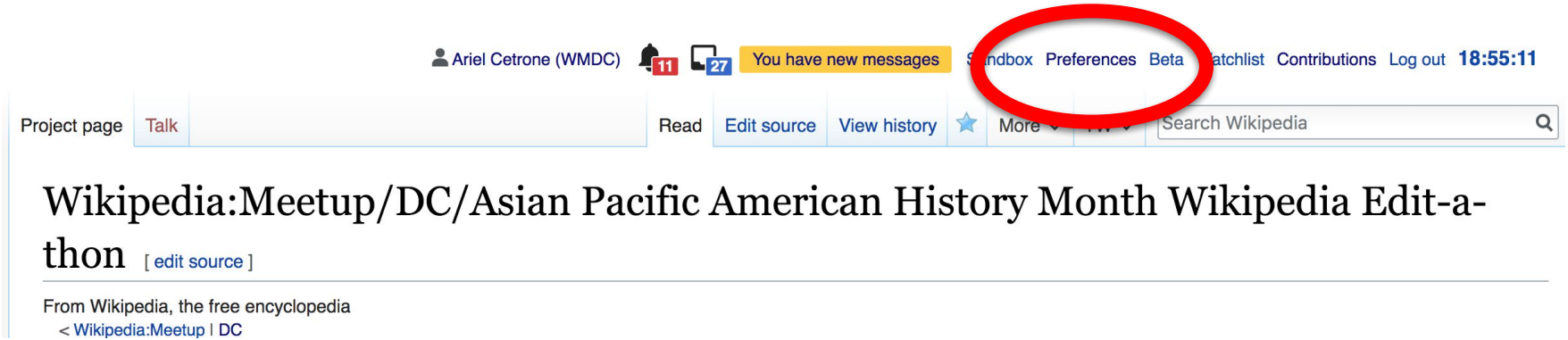

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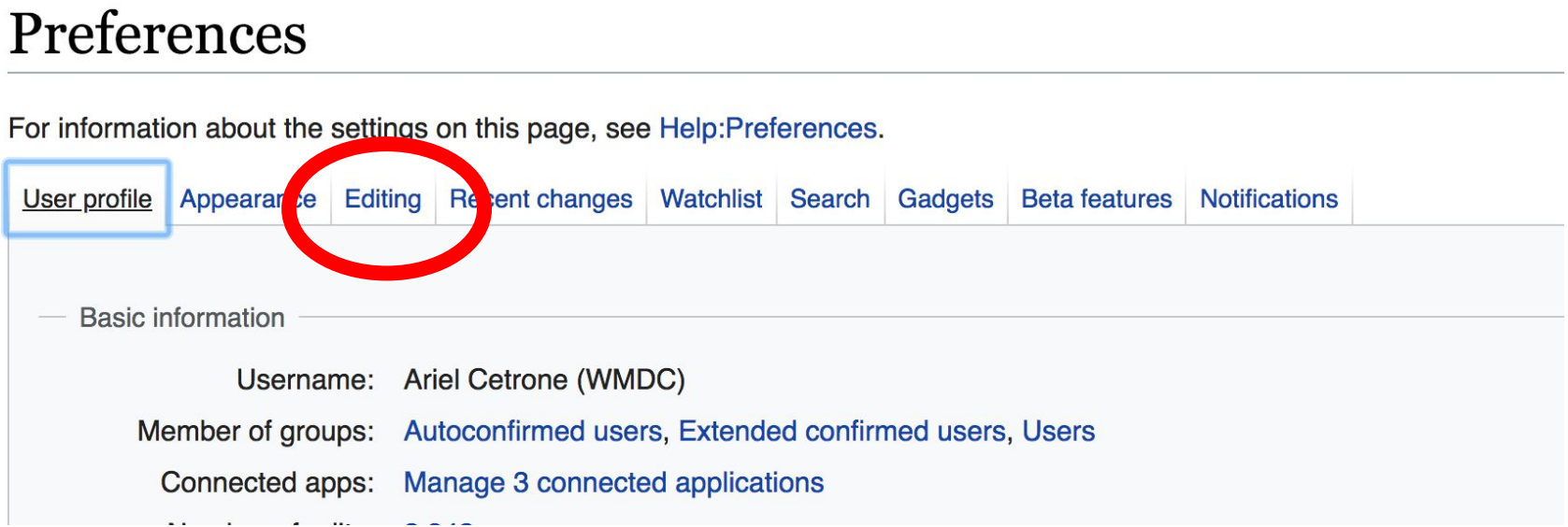
3. Select the 'Editing' tab



Set Editing Preferences: Editor Type

4. Scroll down to 'Editor'

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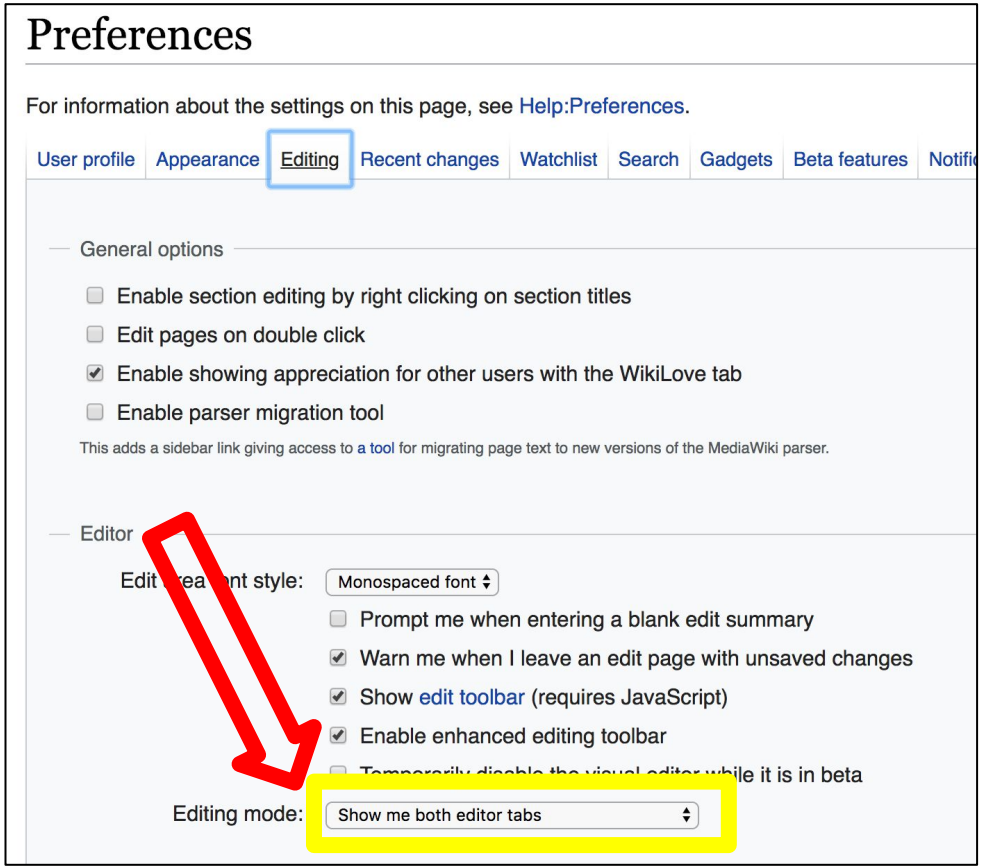
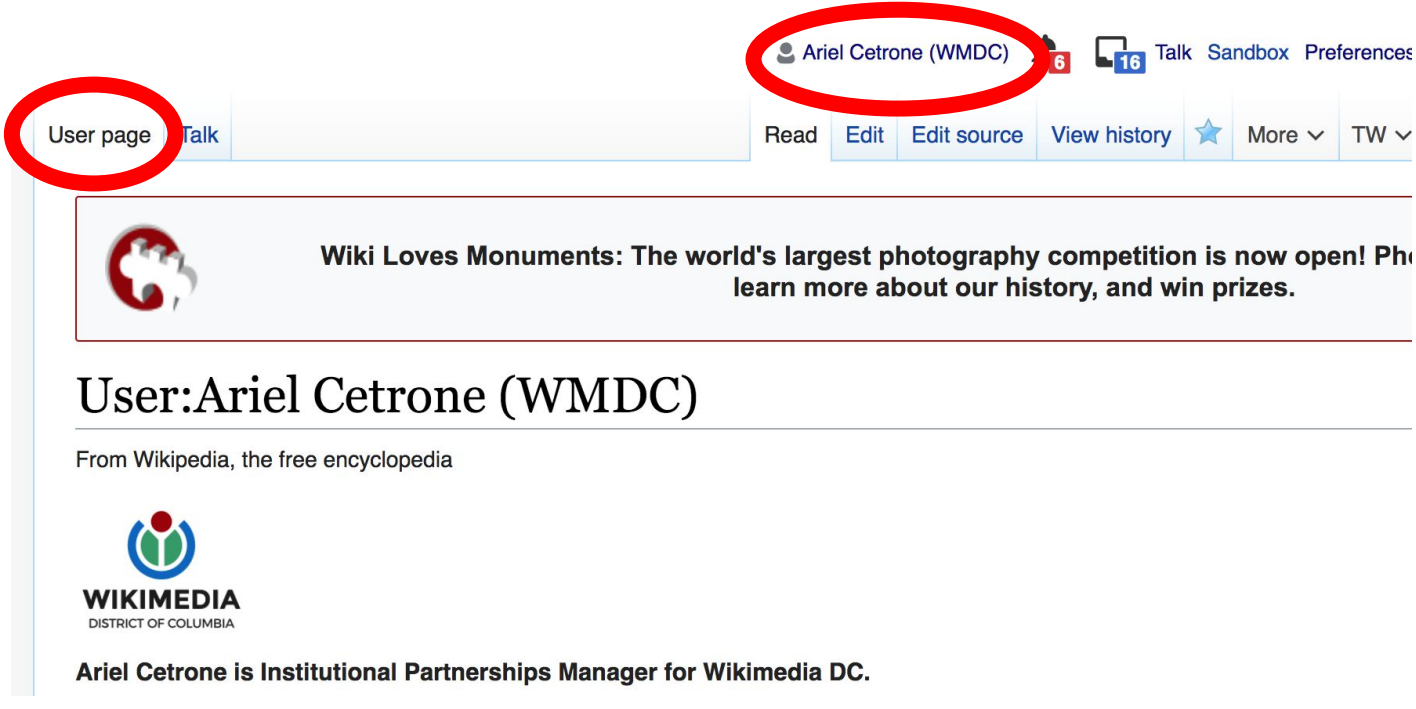
6. Save (Bottom left)



User Page

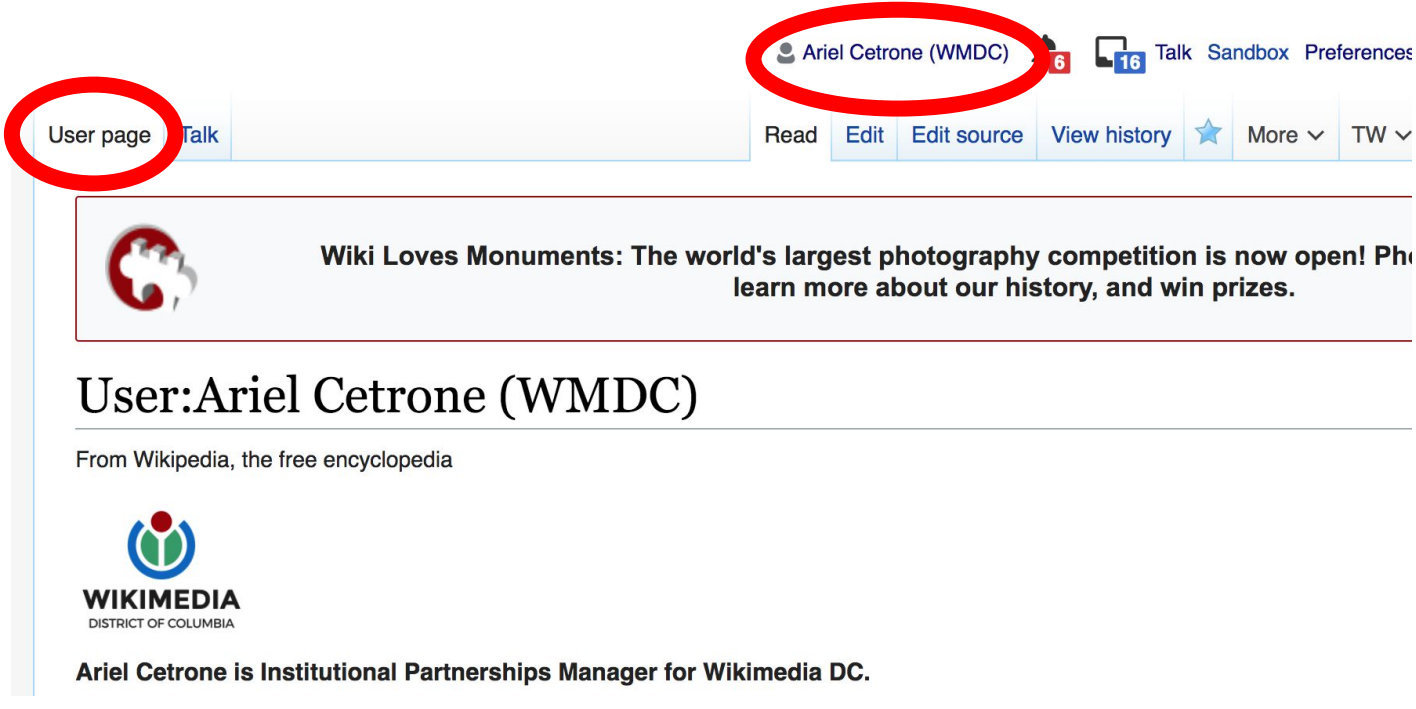
User Page

- All users/editors are assigned a user page
- Access user page by selecting your username (top right)



User Page

- Opportunity to share information and interests
- Use is optional



Talk Page

- Receive messages
- Communicate with other users

Tabs/Article Anatomy

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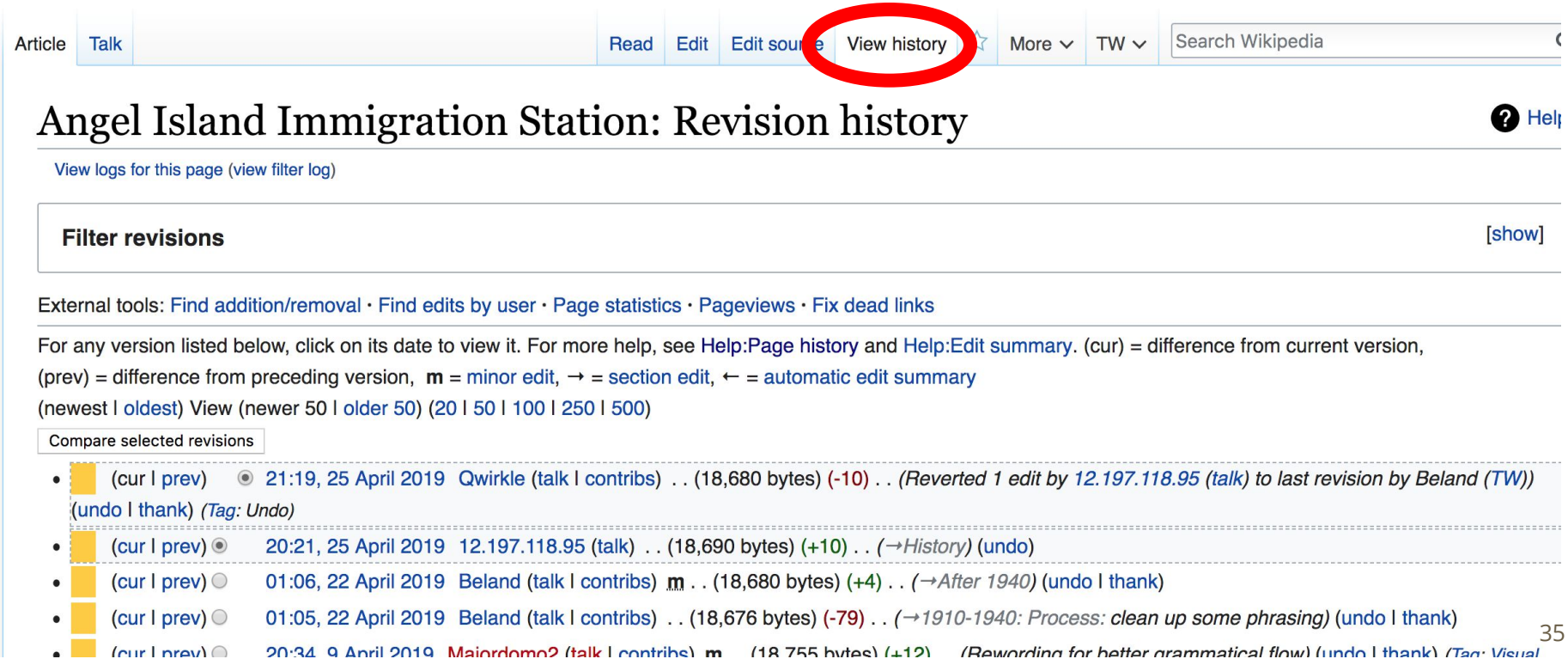
Exploring Tabs: Article history

View all edits ever made by selecting 'View History'



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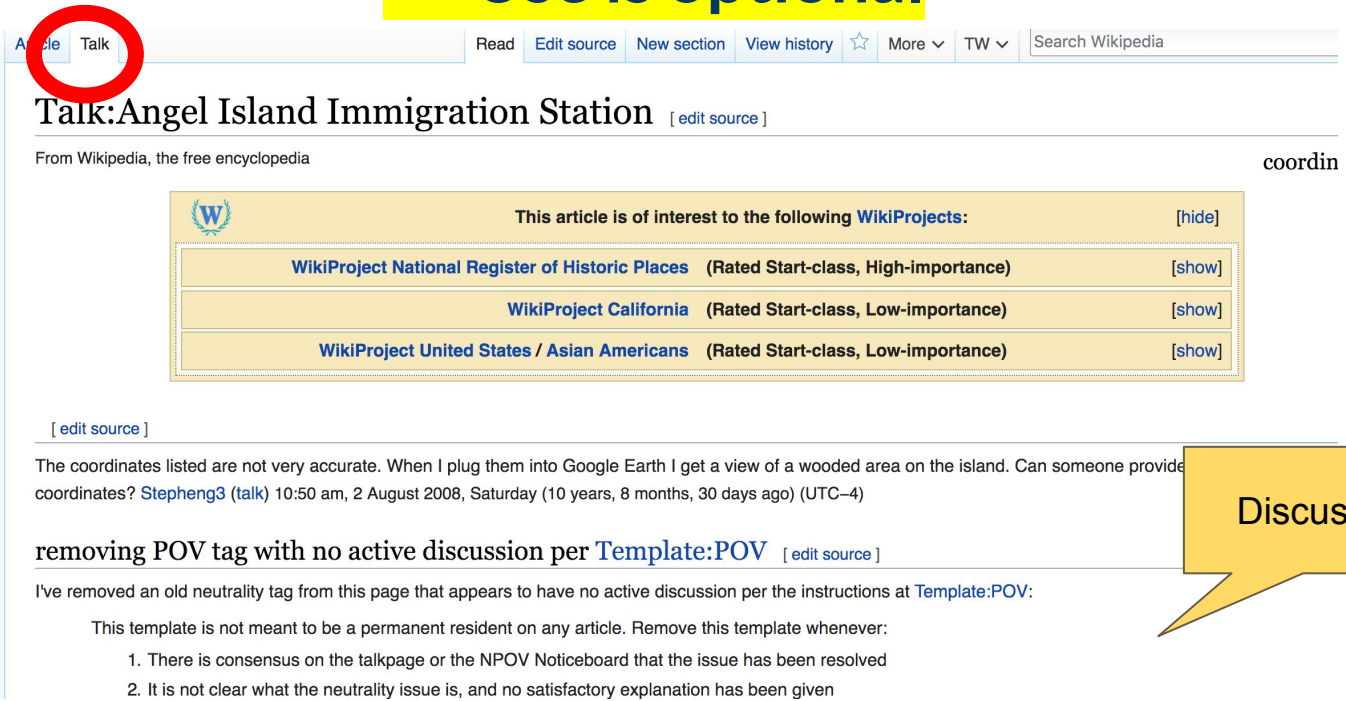
Exploring Tabs: Talk Page - Community Discussion

- **Discuss the article with other editors**
- **Use is optional**



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Angel Island Immigration Station [edit | edit source]

Lead paragraphs

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A start-class article from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Angel Island Immigration Station was an immigration station located in San Francisco Bay which operated from January 21, 1910 to November 5, 1940,[4] where immigrants entering the United States were detained and interrogated. Angel Island is an island in San Francisco Bay. It is currently a State Park administered by California State Parks and a California Historical Landmark. The island was originally a fishing and hunting site for Coastal Miwok Indians, then it was a haven for Spanish explorer Juan Manuel de Ayala. Later, it was developed as a cattle ranch, then, starting with the Civil War, the island served as a U.S. Army post. During the island's Immigration Station period, the island held hundreds of thousands of immigrants, the majority from China, Japan, India, Mexico and the Philippines. The detention facility was considered ideal because of its isolated location, making it very easy to control immigrants, contain outbreaks of disease, and enforce the new immigration laws.[5] The station is listed on the National Register of Historic Places under the title Angel Island, U.S. Immigration Station, and is a National Historic Landmark. The station is open to the public as a museum – "a place for reflection and discovery of our shared history as a nation of immigrants".[6]

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- 1.2 After 1940

2 Immigrant perspectives

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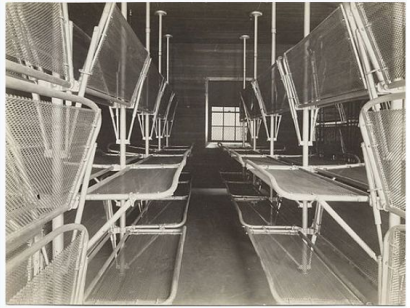
Angel Island

U.S. National Register of Historic Places

U.S. National Historic Landmark District



Angel Island Dormitory

Sections: References

structed detention center
the Angel Island Immigration

At Ellis Island, only between one and three percent of all arriving immigrants were rejected; at Angel Island, the number was about 18%.[7] The Chinese were targeted due to the large influx of immigrants that were arriving in the United States. Chinese immigrants were seen as a threat because they occupied low-wage jobs, and after the economic downturn during the 1870s, Americans experienced serious unemployment problems. This resulted in increased discrimination against the Chinese, who were labeled as unsuitable due to their appearance and social status. The detention center was opened in 1910, after a series of laws were enacted which significantly restricted Chinese immigration. Immigrants arrived from 84 different countries, with Chinese immigrants accounting for the largest ethnic group to enter San Francisco until 1915 when Japanese immigrants outnumbered the Chinese for

[5]

Inline citations

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11. ^ Yu, Connie Young. "Rediscovered Voices: Chinese Immigrants and Angel Island." Amerasia Journal Vol. 4, No. 2 (1977), pp. 131.

Additional Sections

External links [edit | edit source]

- Angel Island State Park official website
- Angel Island Immigration Station Foundation - the non-profit partner of California State Parks and the National Park Service in the work to restore the historic immigration station at Angel Island.
- Angel Island Conservancy - Established in 1975, AIC's primary mission is to facilitate the preservation, restoration and interpretation of historical and natural resources on Angel Island, with the goal of enhancing the visitors' experiences and building a community to support AISP.
- U.S. Immigration Station Tours
- Early History of the California Coast, a National Park Service *Discover Our Shared Heritage* Travel Itinerary
- Angel Island Company, State Parks concessionaire for tours, bike rentals, and catered picnics
- Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) No. CA-1841, "Camp Reynolds, Angel Island State Park, Angel Island, Marin County, CA", with 14 other entries for individual buildings
- Angel Island materials in the South Asian American Digital Archive (SAADA)
- Angel Island-Tiburon Ferry

Wikimedia Commons has media related to ***Angel Island, U.S. Immigration Station***.

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Editing Existing Articles

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Edit w/ Visual Editor = What you see is what you get (mostly)

1. Locate article on work list
2. Select 'Edit' to use Visual Editor, 'Edit Source' for Source editing
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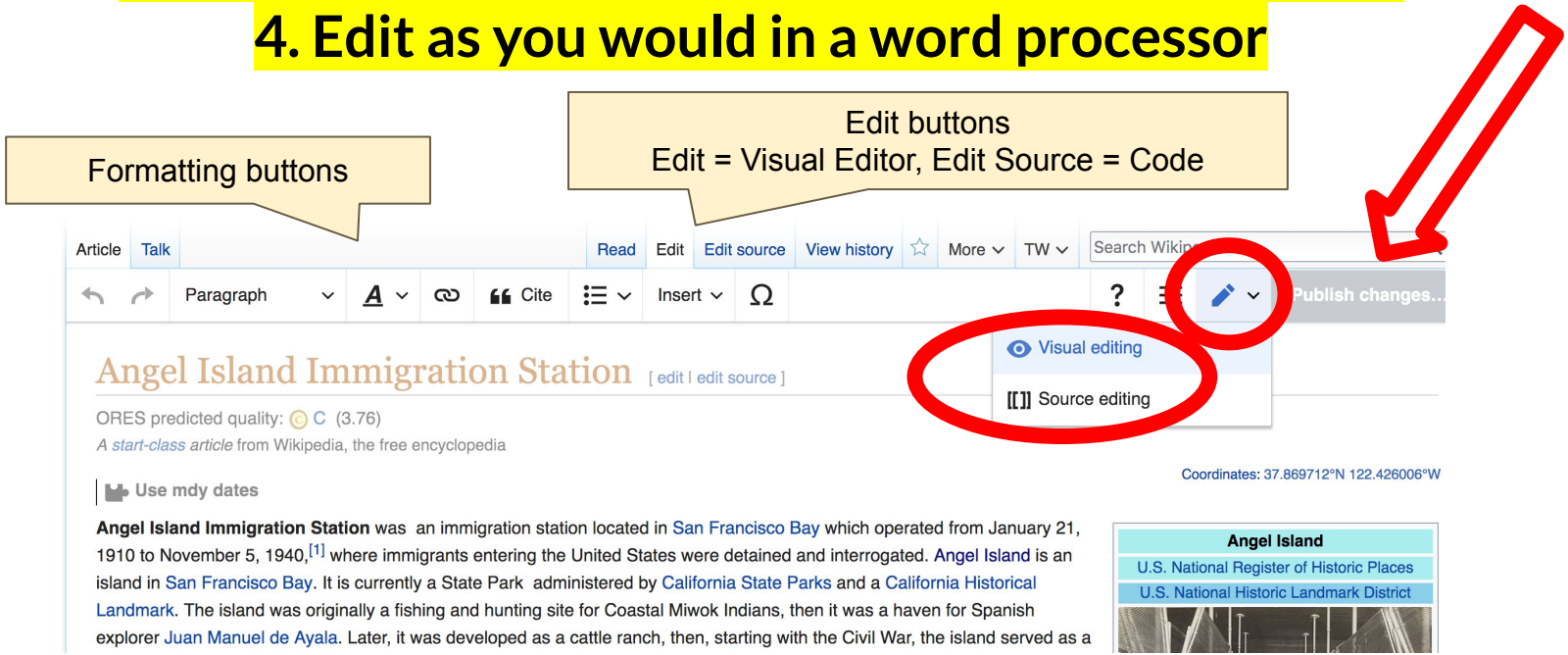

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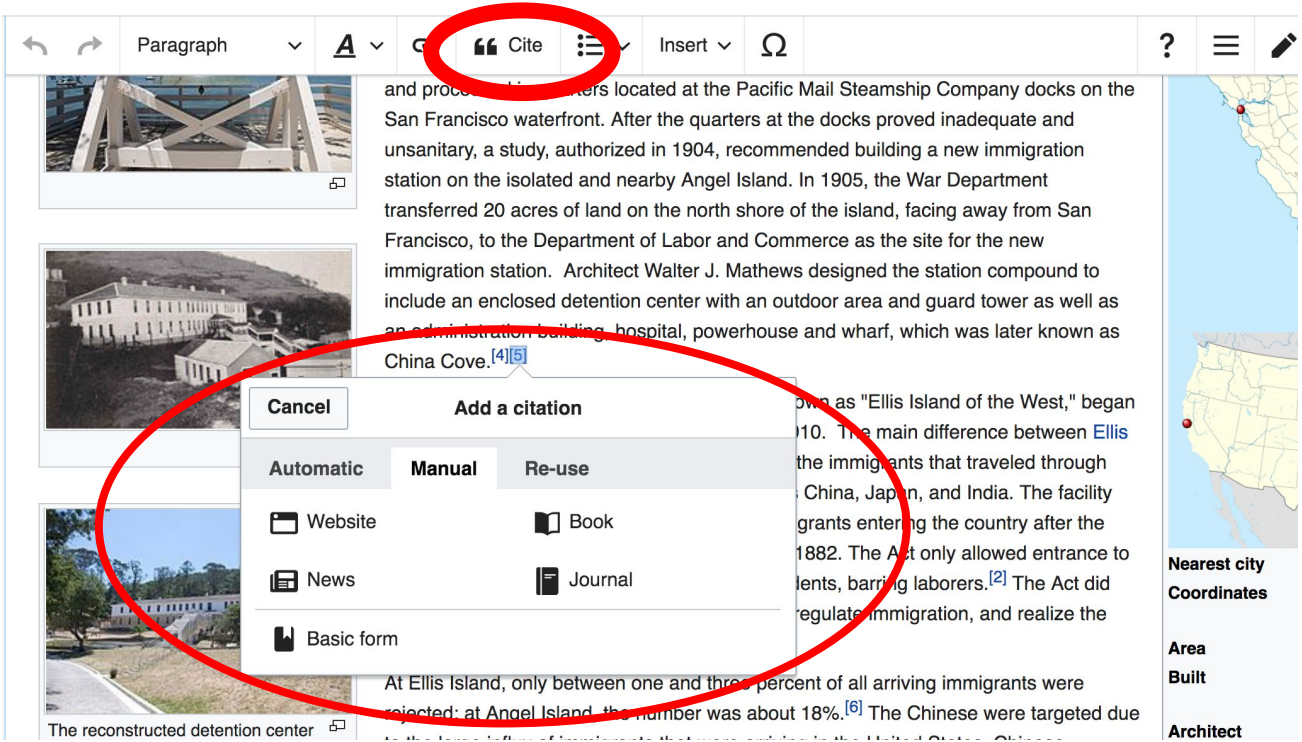
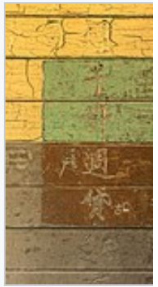


Adding Sections

Immigrant perspectives

The predominantly Chinese immigrants who were detained at Angel Island were not welcomed in the United States. As recounted by one detained in 1940: "When we arrived, they locked us up like criminals in compartments like the cages at the zoo." Held in these "cages" for weeks, often months, individuals were subjected to rounds of long and stressful interrogations to assess the legitimacy of their immigration applications. Immigrants were made to recall minute details of their lives. On occasion, translators may have not have spoken the particular dialect of the immigrant competently; most Chinese immigrants were from southern China at that time, many spoke Cantonese. It was difficult to pass the interrogations, and cases were appealed many times over before one could leave the island and enter the United States. Often, successful immigrants produced elaborate instruction manuals that coached fellow detainees in passing interrogations; if anyone was caught with these manuals, they would most likely be deported. Those that failed these tests often feared the shame of returning to China, and some would commit suicide - either before leaving and or on the voyage back to their homeland.[10]



Detained Chine
carved poems
the immigratior

Many of the detainees turned to poetry as expression, spilling their emotions onto the very walls that contained them. Many of these poems were written in pencil and ink, or in brush, and then carved into the wooden walls or floors.[11] Some of the poems are bitter and angry, placid and contemplative, or even hopeful.

America has power, but not justice.

Adding Sections

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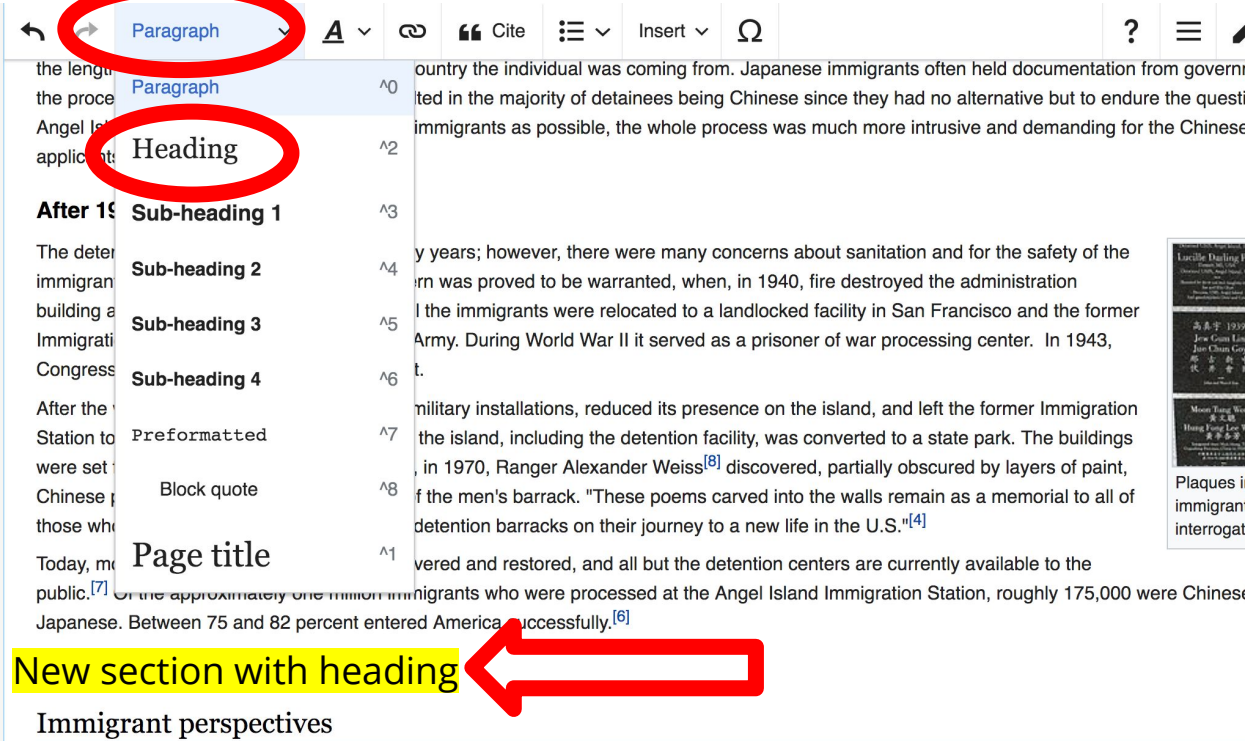

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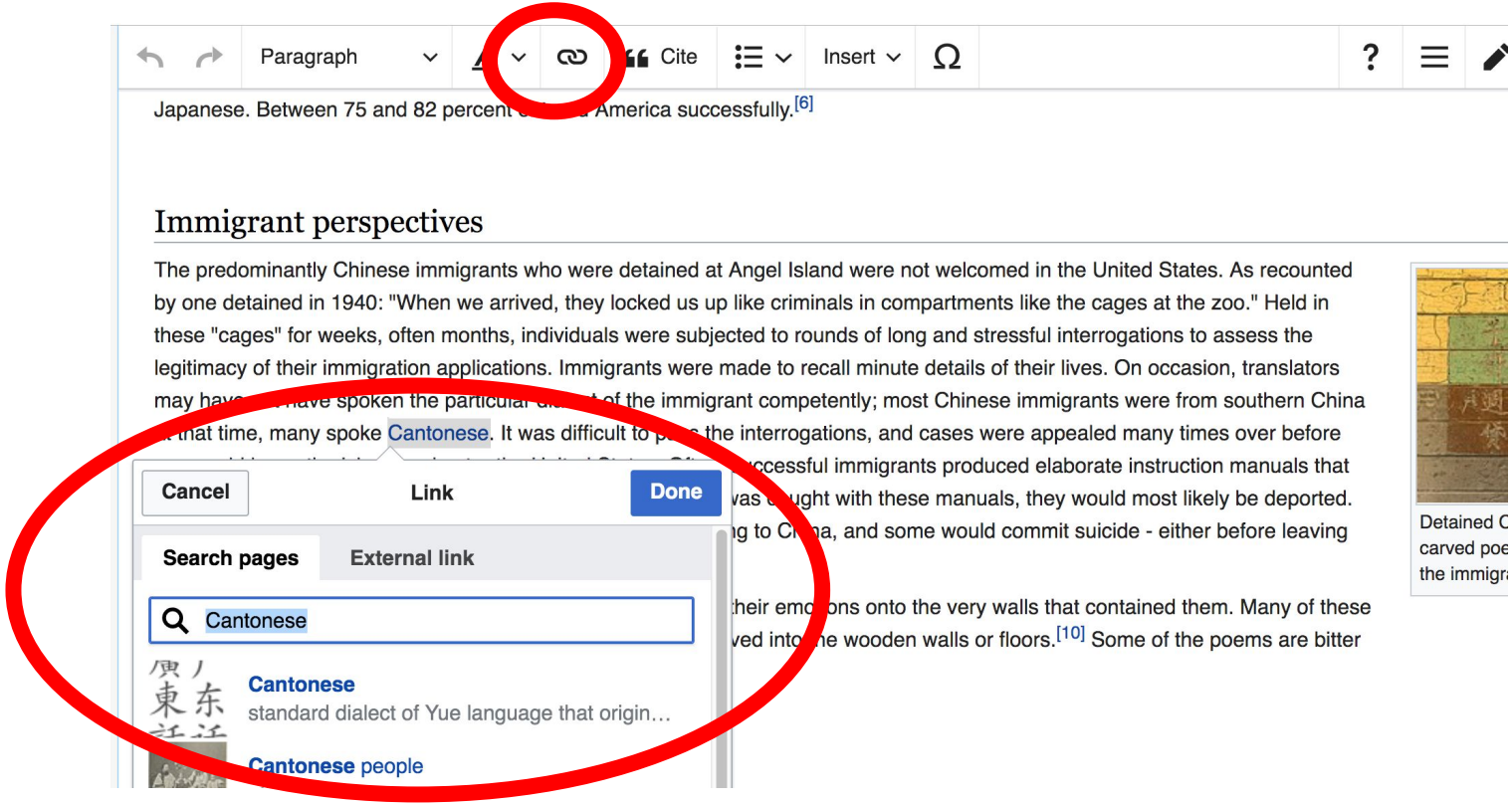

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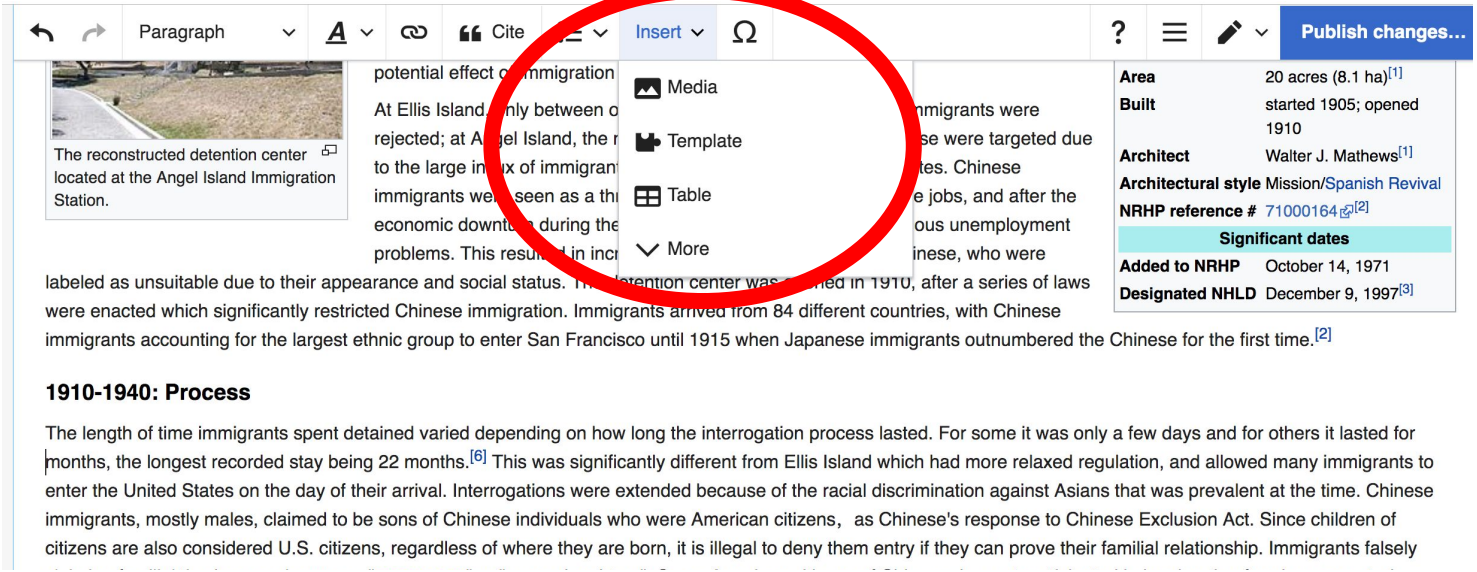

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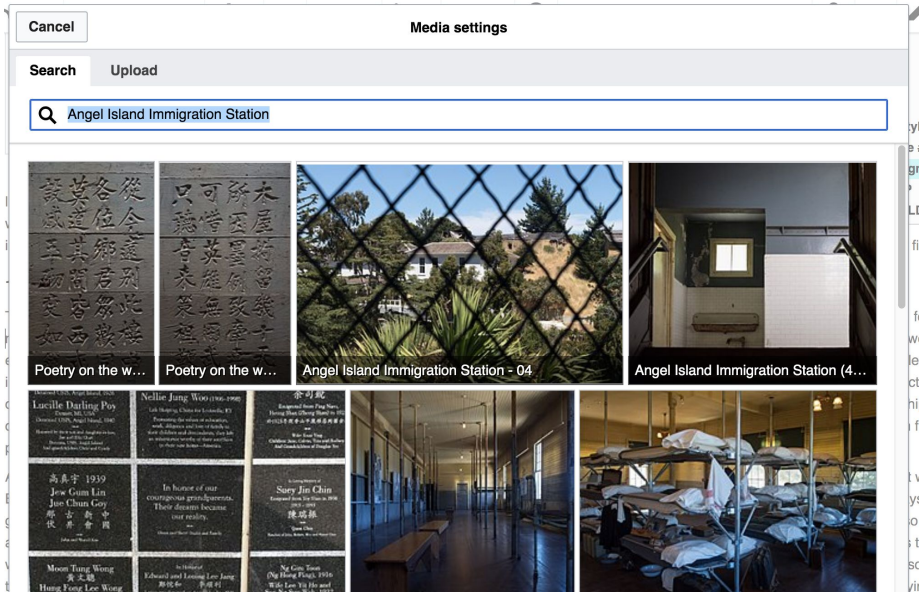

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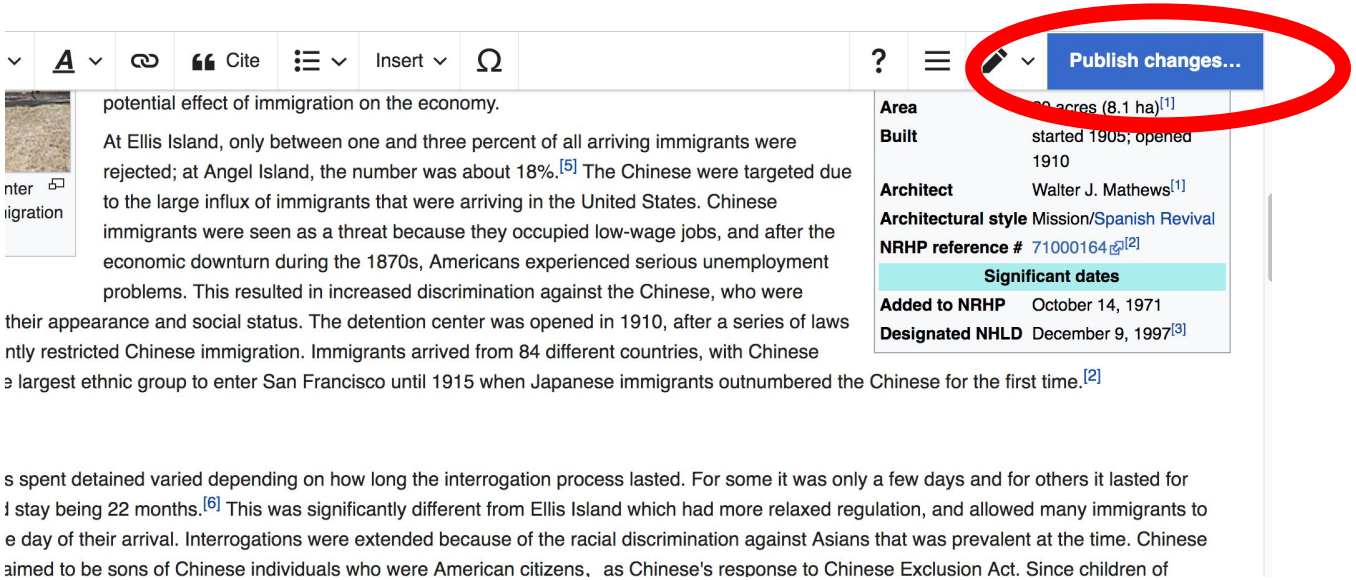

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Explore linked articles

- Search hyperlinked articles for relevant information
- ‘Copy and Paste’ is acceptable between WP articles as long as content is relevant
- Also a good way to find new sources

Creating New Articles

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Create A New Article: Three Ways to Get Started

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(Enter Wikipedia: Article Wizard into search bar)

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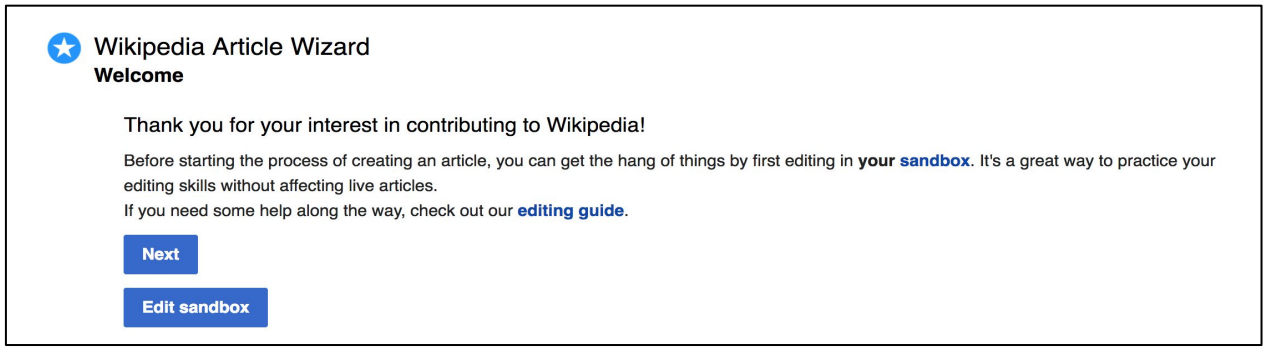
- **Publish in draft form**



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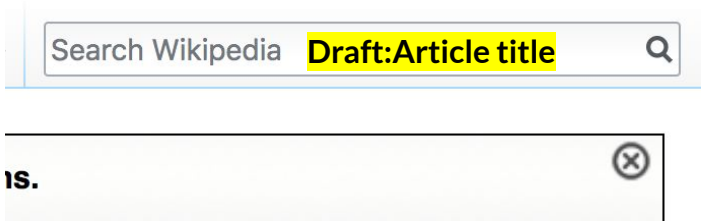

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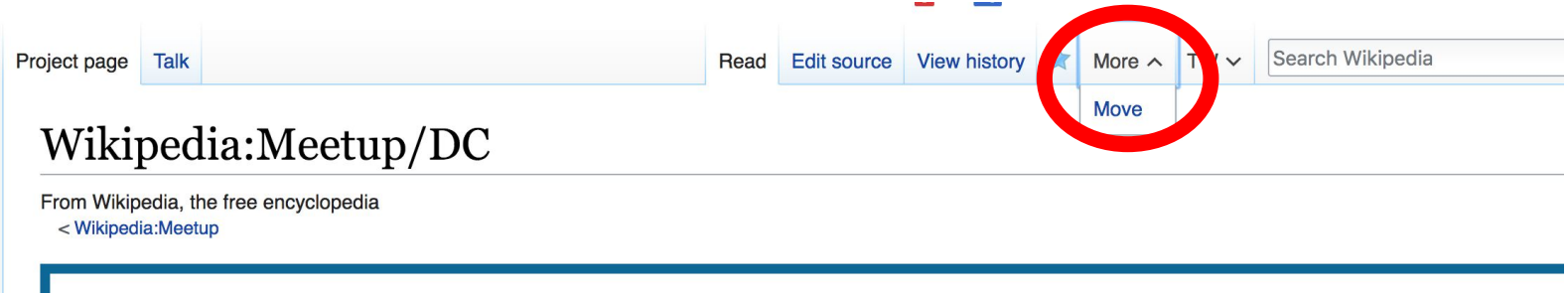

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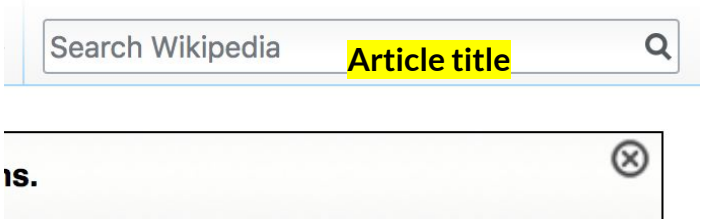

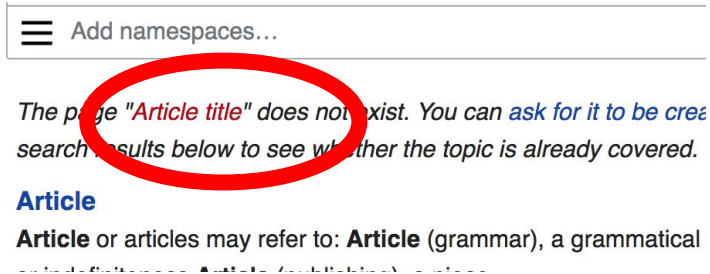

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3. Practice using your Sandbox

- Select Sandbox
- Select Edit or Edit Source
- Create article or section
- Copy/Paste Sandbox content into a draft of mainspace article

Tips/Other Ways to Edit

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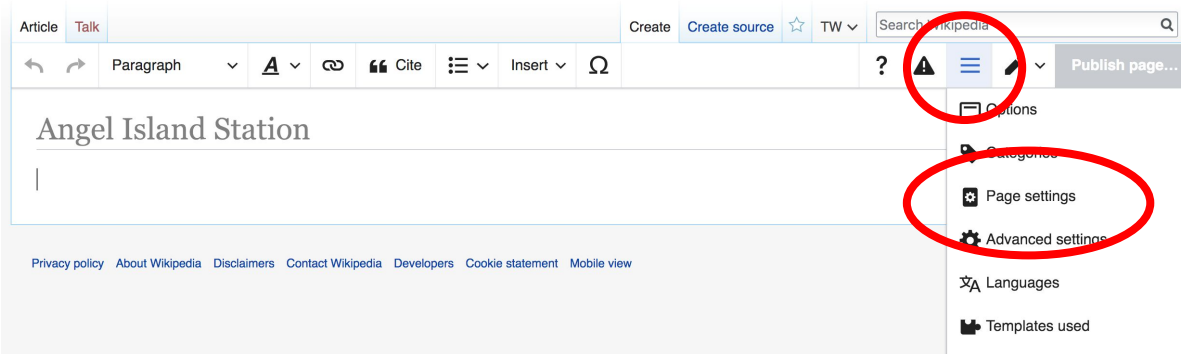
Adding Categories

1. Leave Editing mode
2. Select +
3. Type the category name into the field, i.e. Chinese-American history. Only existing categories will appear in the list of options. You may create new categories.
4. Select 'Apply Changes'

Redirects

1. Identify target article - ‘Angel Island Immigration Station’
2. Create a new article. Name it the alias. ‘Angel Island Station’
3. To Redirect, select icon w/ three lines.
4. Select Page settings.



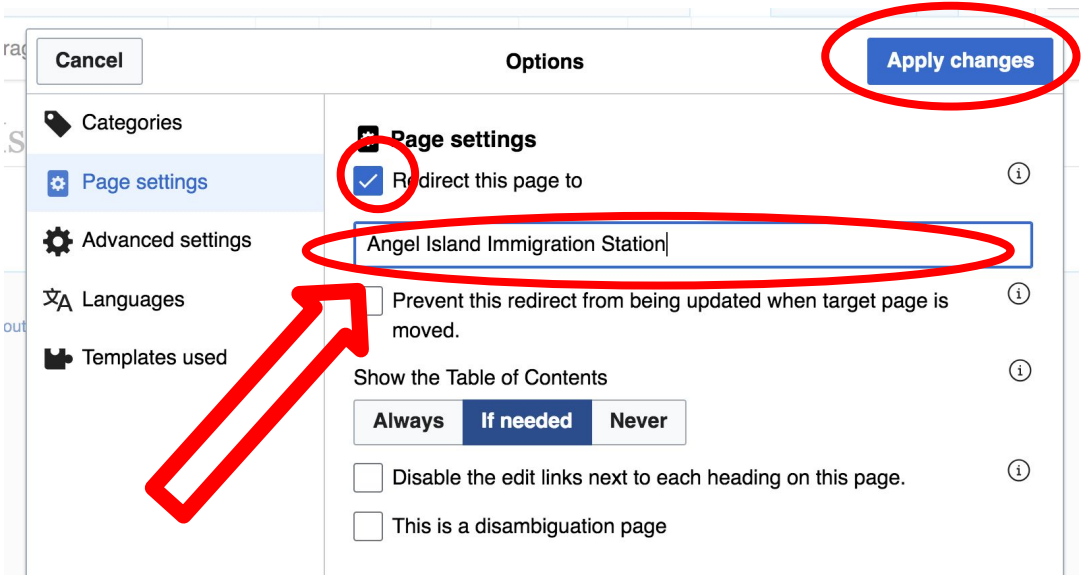
Redirects cont.

5. Select ‘Redirect page to’

6. Enter name of the target article (Ex.

Angel Island Immigration Station)

7. Select Apply changes 8. Select ‘Apply changes



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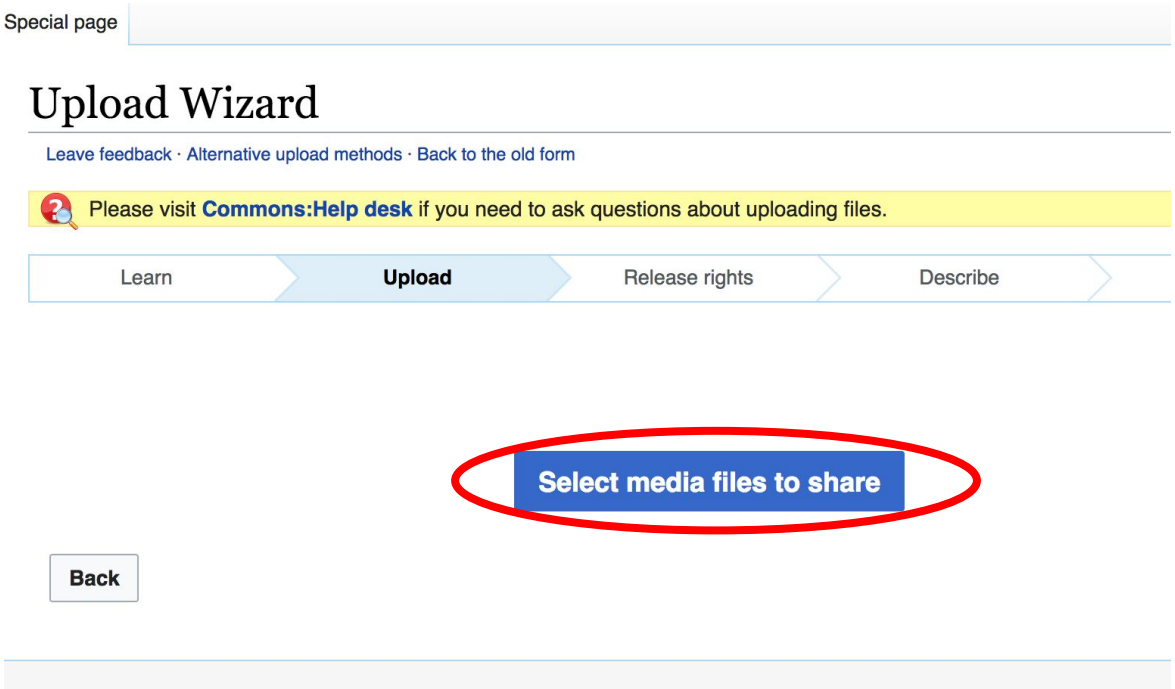

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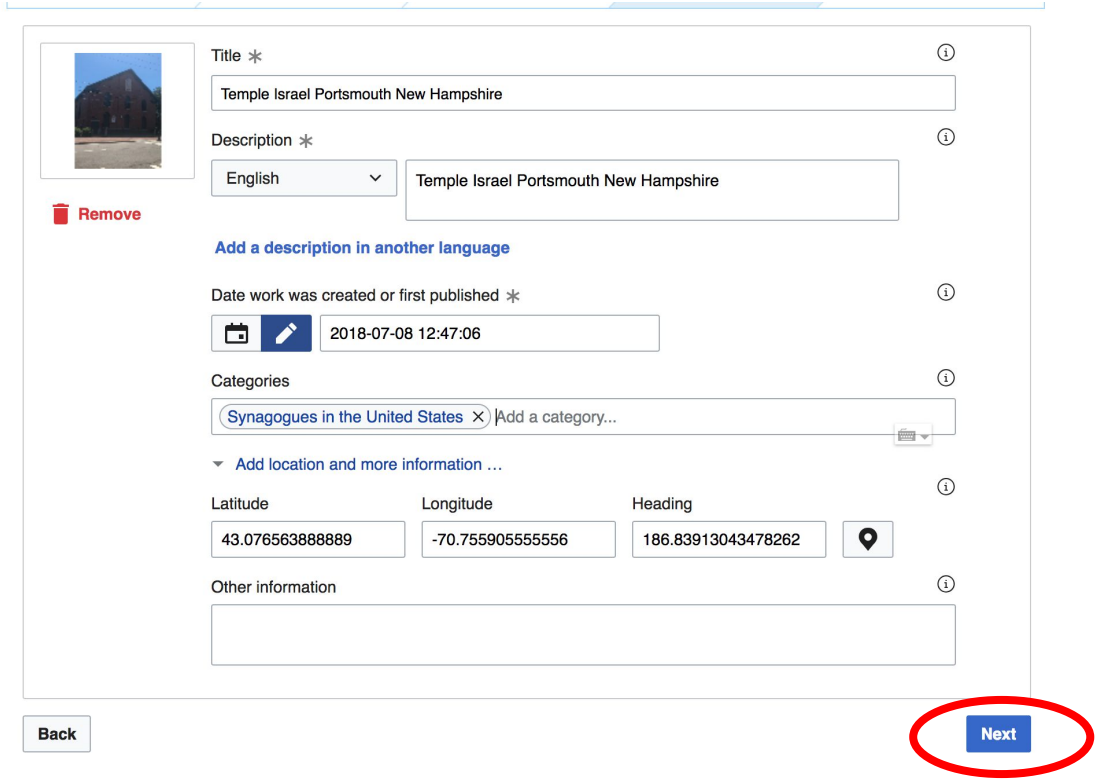
4. Name and caption your photo, add category