Ford's Theatre Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

April 16, 2019

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- What is Wikipedia?
- Why edit?
- Wiki projects
- Wikipedia's gender gap

- Basics and policies
- Article anatomy
- Adding/Editing Content
- Other ways to edit
- Uploading images

Housekeeping

Wifi, wiki event page, username creation

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

Not logged in Talk Contributions Create account Log in

Special page

Search Wikipedia

Create account

Username (help me choose)

Enter your username

Password

Enter a password

Confirm password

Enter password again

Email address (optional)

Enter your email address

How do we collect data for detecting bots?

To protect the wiki against automated account

Wikipedia is made by people like you.

851,394,955

edits

5,702,628

articles

121,967

recent contributors

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-FT19

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

Wiki Event Page

@WikimediaDC

Ford's Theatre Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

Join us at Ford's Theatre to help improve and create Wikipedia articles related to Lincoln's assassination. There were nearly 2,000 witnesses and thousands of other individuals whose responses to the assassination provide a rich illustration of a country reeling from unprecedented tragedy. This edit-a-thon will focus on bringing some of those stories to light.

No Wikipedia editing experience is necessary. Training will be provided.

This event is free and open to the public. Registration is required. Snacks will be provided.

Laptops are required. Please bring your own. Wikimedia DC has two laptops to loan. Reserve one by emailing info@wikimediadc.org.

Ford's Theatre

When

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 5PM-8PM

Where

Ford's Theatre

Wiki Event Page: Sign-in

1. **Scroll down to the Sign-in section**
2. **Click the blue 'Sign-in' button**

Please sign in   [edit source]

This is for use on the day of the event.

1) Select 'Sign in'

2) Scroll down on the page that follows and click 'Save changes'.

Your username will automatically be added to the list of attendees.

Sign in

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Sign in

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Wiki Event Page: Sign-in

3.   Scroll down on the following page. Do not type anything.

Click **Publish changes** below and you are set

Content that violates any copyrights will be deleted. Encyclopedic content must be verifiable. Work submitted to Wikipedia can be edited, used, and redistributed—by anyone —subject to certain terms and conditions.

Heading ▾   Format   Advanced   Special characters   Help   Cite

4.   Click the 'Publish' button

Sign your posts on talk

☑ Watch this page

By publishing changes, you agree to the Terms of Use, and you irrevocably agree to release your contribution under hyperlink or URL is sufficient attribution under the Creative Commons license.

Publish changes   Show preview   Show changes   Cancel

Article Work List - Potential Sources

Suggested Article Work List [edit source]

About the **Article Assessment Quality Scale**⌁

For Creation

- Willie T. Clark
- Emile Davis
- Henry Clay Ford
- Dr. Anson G. Henry
- Mary Anna Henry[1][2][3]
- Charles Adolphus Jewell II
- Clara Clough Lenroot
- Osborn Oldroyd
- Horatio Nelson Taft

Stubs

- Elizabeth Keckly

Start

- Petersen House
- Michael O'Laughlen
- Sarah Gooll Putnam
- Samuel J. Seymour
- Robert King Stone

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

Free as in beer, Free as in freedom ... gratis et libre

Created and edited by volunteers

Overseen by nonprofit Wikimedia Foundation

All edits and versions recorded forever (revision history)

5+ million articles, 270+ languages

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

Free...

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Wikimedia Commons - multimedia repository commons.wikimedia.org

Commercial re-use is absolutely allowed. Google, publishers...

Wikipedia Basics and Policies

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Georgetown University

Source: Wikimedia Commons

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

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Why Edit?

Because #FactsMatter

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

Wikipedia's Gender Gap

Photo: Art and Feminism Wikipedia-Edit-A-Thon
National Museum of Women in the Arts

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Editor gender gap? Unsilence the silent

Only
1 out of
10 Wikipedia editors
is female!
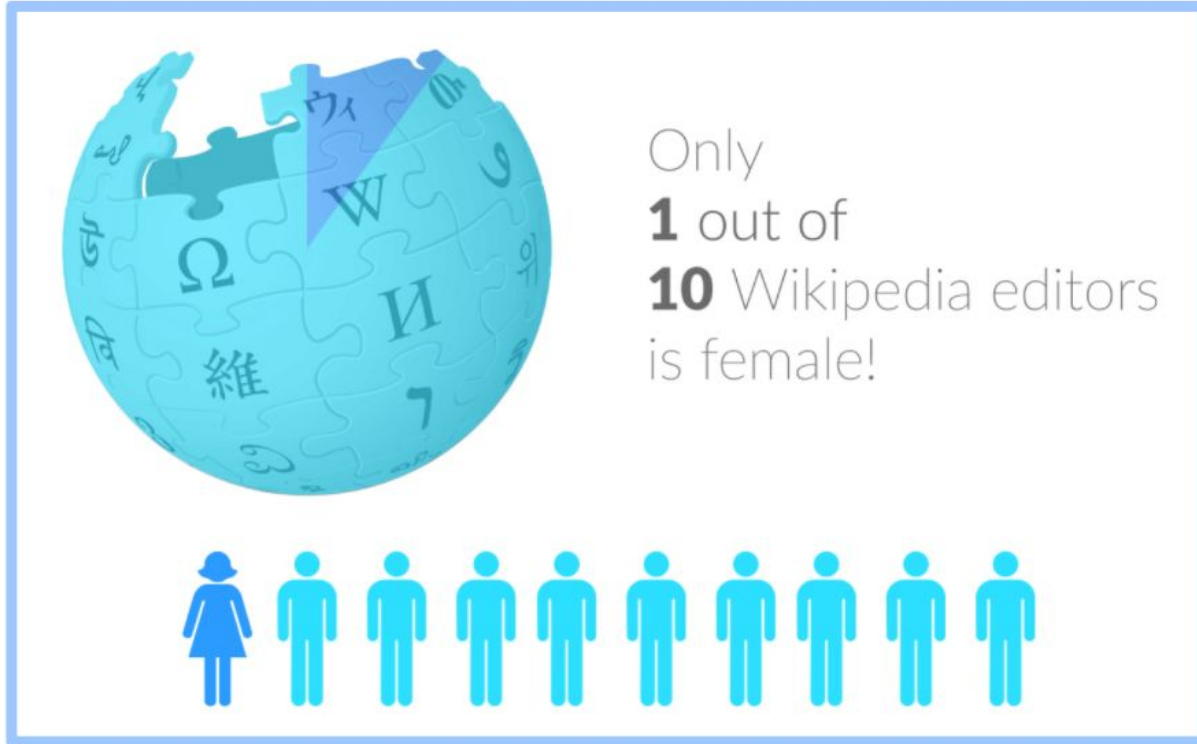
Content gender gap? Make the invisible visible

Percentage of women's biographies

November 2014
15%
English language Wikipedia

March 2019
17.74%
English language Wikipedia
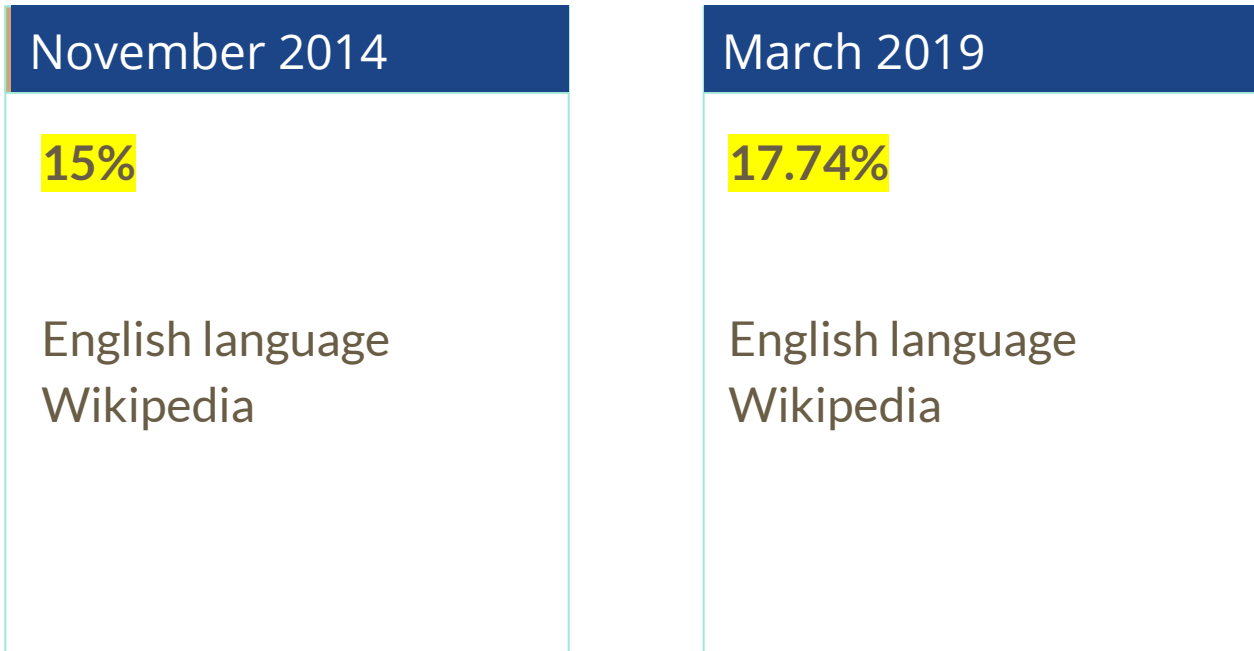
How Can We Fix This?

- 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

Photo: Vietnam-Era US Coast Guard Records Editing Workshop
National Archives

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

1. Open the Wiki event page or any Wikipedia article
2. Select 'Preferences' (Top right of the page)

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Project page Talk Read Edit source View history More ∨ TW ∨ Search Wikipedia
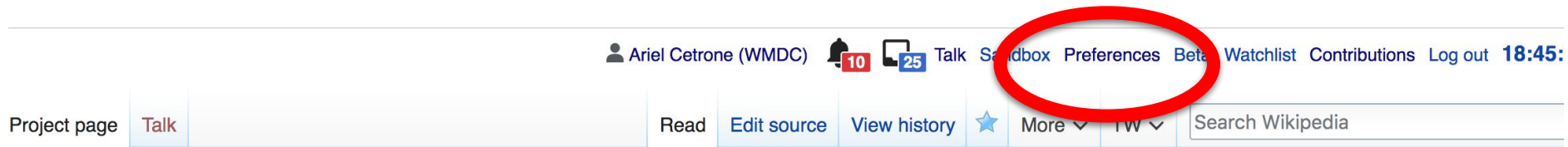
Wikipedia:Meetup/DC/Recognizing Black Suffragists: A Wikipedia Editing Workshop [edit source]
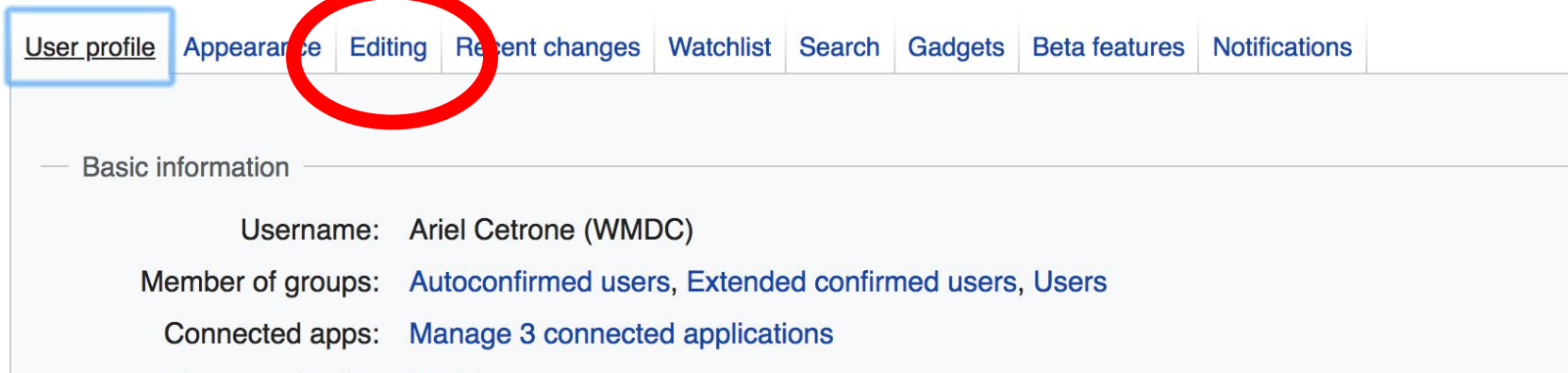
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

3. Select the 'Editing' tab

Preferences

For information about the settings on this page, see Help:Preferences.

User profile	Appearance	Editing	Recent changes	Watchlist	Search	Gadgets	Beta features	Notifications

Basic information

Username: Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)

Member of groups: Autoconfirmed users, Extended confirmed users, Users

Connected apps: Manage 3 connected applications

Set Editing Preferences: Editor Type

4. Scroll down to 'Editor'

5. Select 'Show me Both Editor Tabs' from the 'Editing Mode' dropdown menu

6. Save (Bottom left)

Preferences

For information about the settings on this page, see Help:Preferences.

User profile | Appearance | Editing | Recent changes | Watchlist | Search | Gadgets | Beta features | Notifi

General options

☐ Enable section editing by right clicking on section titles
☐ Edit pages on double click
☑ Enable showing appreciation for other users with the WikiLove tab
☐ Enable parser migration tool
This adds a sidebar link giving access to a tool for migrating page text to new versions of the MediaWiki parser.

Editor

Edit area font style: [Monospaced font ⇕]

☐ Prompt me when entering a blank edit summary
☑ Warn me when I leave an edit page with unsaved changes
☑ Show edit toolbar (requires JavaScript)
☑ Enable enhanced editing toolbar
☐ Temporarily disable the visual editor while it is in beta

Editing mode: [Show me both editor tabs ⇕]

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User Page

User Page

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

Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)   6   16 Talk Sandbox Preferences

User page Talk   Read Edit Edit source View history ☆ More ⌄ TW ⌄

Wiki Loves Monuments: The world's largest photography competition is now open! Ph
learn more about our history, and win prizes.

User:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)

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WIKIMEDIA
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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User Page

- **Opportunity to share information and interests**
  - **Use is optional**

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Talk Page

- **Receive messages**
- **Communicate with other users**

User page | Talk | Read | Edit source | New section | View history | More ∨ | TW ∨ | Search Wikipedia

User talk:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC) [edit source]

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

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1 Welcome!
2 Hi from the Teahouse!
3 Edit-a-thon
4 Ways to improve Shoomaker's Saloon
5 ArbCom 2017 election voter message

Tabs/Article Anatomy

Photo: Hispanic Heritage Month Edit-a-thon
National Archives

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Exploring Tabs: Article history

View all edits ever made by selecting 'View History'

Exploring Tabs: Article history

View all edits ever made by selecting 'View History'

Exploring Tabs: Talk Page - Community Discussion

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

Sections: Lead Paragraphs

Clara Harris [edit | edit source]

ORES predicted quality: ⊕ GA (4.59)

A start-class article from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

> *For the 2002 murder culprit, see Clara Harris (criminal).*

Clara Hamilton Harris (September 4, 1834[1] – December 23, 1883) was an American socialite. Harris and her fiancé, Major Henry Rathbone, were the guests of President Lincoln and First Lady Mary Lincoln when John Wilkes Booth fatally shot the President at Ford's Theatre in April 1865.

Lead paragraphs

Main photo or Infobox placement

Contents [hide]
1 Family
2 Lincoln assassination
3 Later years and death
4 In popular culture
5 References
6 External links

Family [edit | edit source]

Harris was born in Albany, New York,[2] one of four children of U.S. Senator Ira Harris of New York, and his first wife Louisa Harris (née Tubbs).[3] Harris' mother Louisa died in 1845. On August 1, 1848, Ira Harris married Pauline Rathbone (née Penney),[1] the widow of Jared L. Rathbone, a successful merchant who later became the mayor of Albany.[4][5] Jared and

Clara Harris

Harris photographed by Mathew Brady (ca. 1860–1865)

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Sections: References

Family   [edit | edit source]

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Although Harris and Henry Rathbone were raised in the same household and were related by their parents' marriage, they fell in love and later became engaged.[7] Their engagement was interrupted when the American Civil War broke out in 1861. Henry Rathbone joined the Union Army that year and eventually rose to the rank of Major.[8]

Inline citations

References   [edit | edit source]

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14. ^ *a b* Kauffman (2007) p.37

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Additional Sections

External links [edit | edit source]

- ~~General Harris~~ at Find a Grave

Biography portal

American Civil War portal

Categories (+⁺): 1824 births (−) (±) | 1883 crimes (−) (±) | 1883 deaths (−) (±) | American expatriates in Germany (−) (±) | American people murdered abroad (−) (±) | American casualties (−) (±) | Burials in Lower Saxony (−) (±) | Deaths by firearm in Germany (−) (±) | People associated with the assassination of Abraham Lincoln (−) (±) | People from Albany, New York (−) (±) | People murdered in Germany (−) (±) | Women in the American Civil War (−) (±) | (+)

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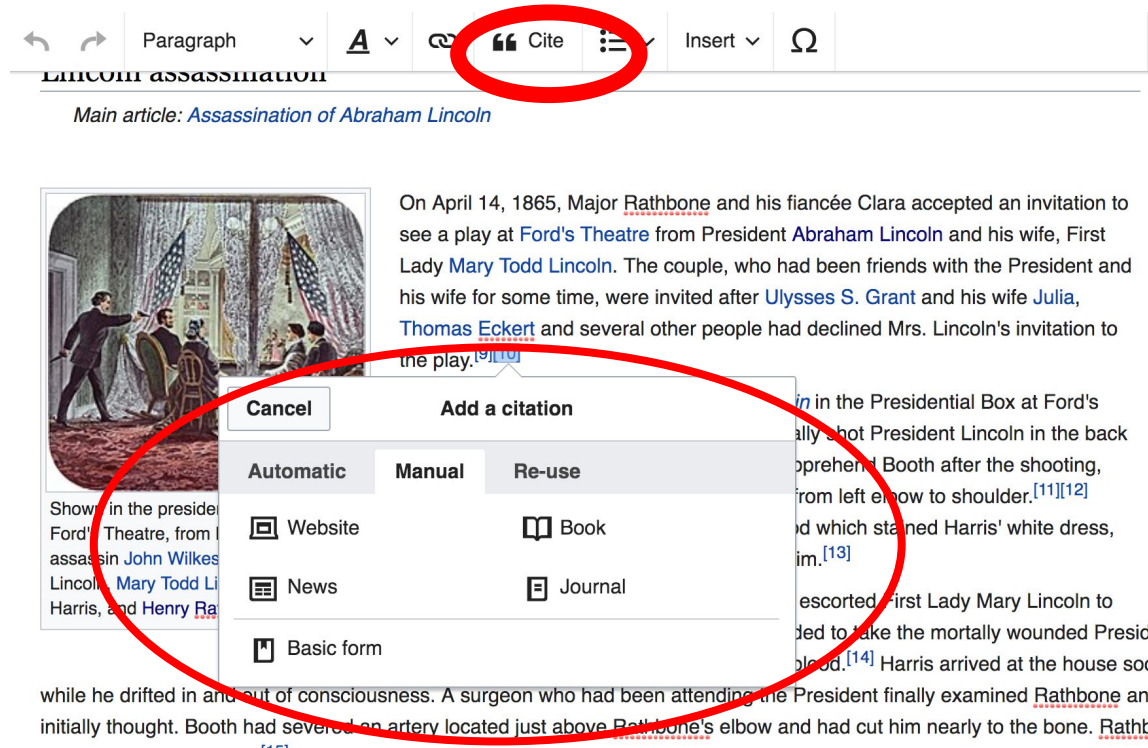
Edit w/ Visual Editor = What you see is what you get (mostly)

1. Locate article on work list
2. Select 'Edit' to use Visual Editor, 'Edit Source' for Source editing
3. Unsure if you are in Visual Editor?
Select the Pencil (red arrow), select 'Visual editing'
4. Edit as you would in a word processor

Formatting buttons

Edit buttons
Edit = Visual Editor, Edit Source = Code

Article | Talk   Read | Edit | Edit source | View history | ☆ | More ∨ | TW ∨ | Search Wikipedia

↶ ↷ | Paragraph ∨ | **A** ∨ | 🔗 | 66 Cite | ☰ ∨ | Insert ∨ | Ω   ? | | ✏ ∨ | **Publish changes…**

◉ Visual editing

[[]] Source editing

Clara Harris [edit | edit source]

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A start-class article from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

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Clara Hamilton Harris (September 4, 1834[1] – December 23, 1883) was an American socialite. Harris and her fiancé, Major Henry Rathbone, were the guests of President Lincoln and First Lady Mary Lincoln when John Wilkes Booth fatally shot the President at Ford's Theatre in April 1865.

Clara Harris

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Cite your sources

1. **Place cursor in desired location, select 'Cite'**
2. **Follow prompts**

Adding Sections

Later years and death

Harris and Rathbone were married on July 11, 1867. The couple had three children: Henry Riggs (born February 12, 1870), who later became a U.S. Congressman from Illinois, Gerald Lawrence (born August 26, 1871) and Clara Pauline (born September 15, 1872).[2][15] Rathbone, who had risen to the rank of colonel, resigned from the Army in December 1870.[16] The family settled in Washington D.C. where Rathbone's mental health deteriorated.[11] Rathbone's behavior became increasingly erratic and he began drinking heavily, gambling and having affairs. Due to his behavior, Rathbone found it difficult to hold a job for an extended period of time.[17]

Every year on the anniversary of Lincoln's assassination, journalists would contact the couple with questions about Lincoln's death furthering Rathbone's feelings of guilt. Harris later wrote to a friend:

> I understand his distress...in every hotel we're in, as soon as people get wind of our presence, we feel ourselves become objects of morbid scrutiny.... Whenever we were in the dining room, we began to feel like zoo animals. Henry...imagines that the whispering is more pointed and malicious than it can possibly be.[17]

Adding Sections

1. Place cursor   2. Select 'Paragraph'   3. Select 'Heading'

New section with heading

Create links between articles

Adding Photos with Wikimedia Commons

1. Place cursor in desired location
2. Select: 'Insert' + Media'
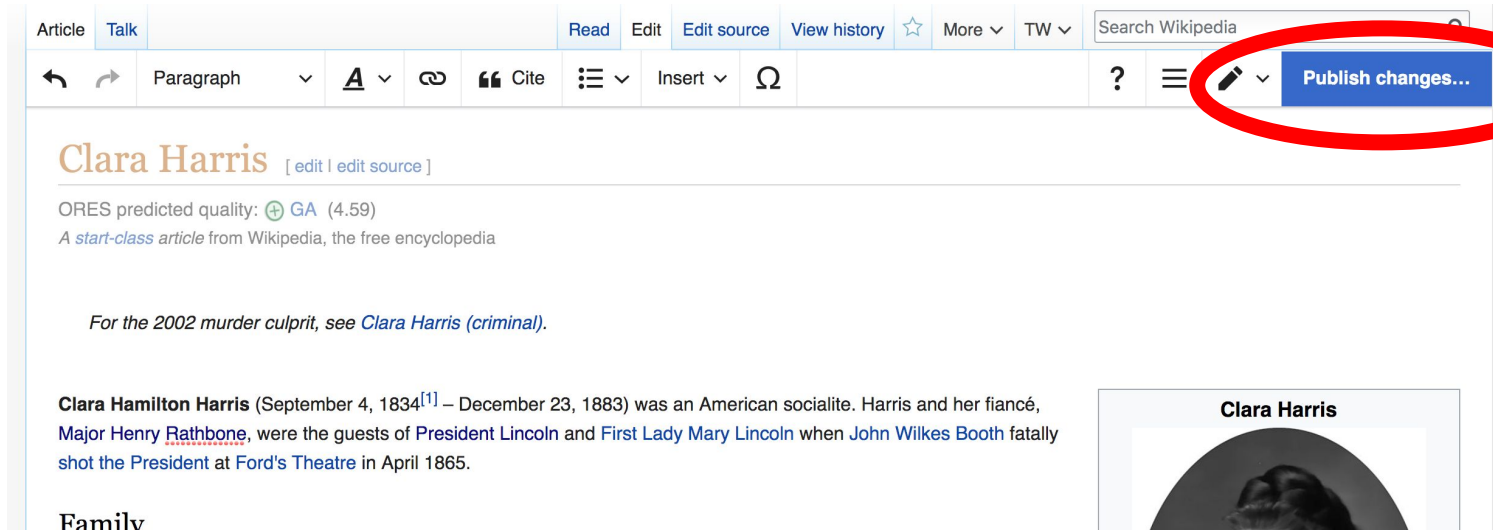3. Enter search term
4. Select photo + 'Use this image'

Adding Images with Wikimedia Commons
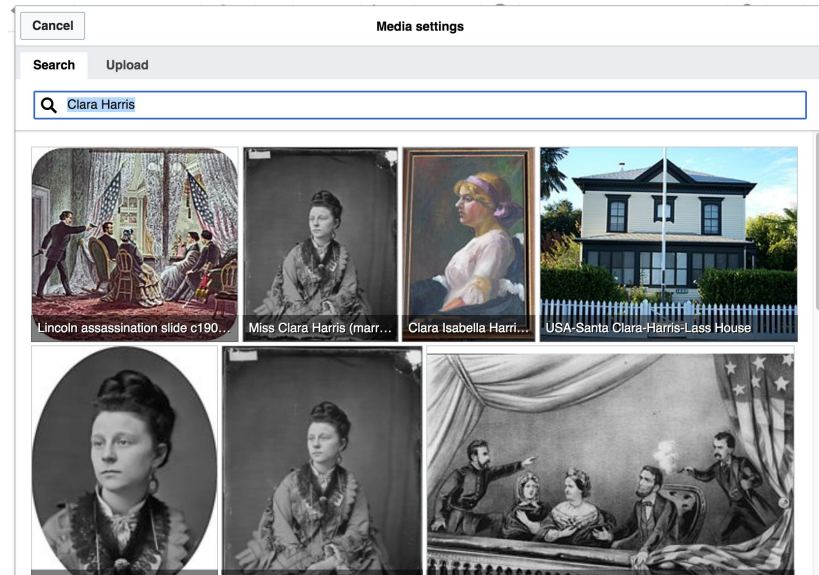
5. Caption the image
6. Select 'Insert'

All images must exist in Wikimedia Commons prior to inclusion in Wikipedia

'Publish Changes' When Ready

- **To quickly abandon changes made to an article, select 'Read' (next to Edit/Edit Source) and your edits de discarded.**

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

Photo: University of Maryland iSchool Disability Justice Editing Workshop

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Create A New Article:
Three Ways to Get Started

1. **Start a draft using the Article Wizard**
(Enter Wikipedia: Article Wizard into search bar)
   - **Follow prompts**
   - **Publish in draft form**

⭐ Wikipedia Article Wizard
Welcome

Thank you for your interest in contributing to Wikipedia!

Before starting the process of creating an article, you can get the hang of things by first editing in **your sandbox**. It's a great way to practice your editing skills without affecting live articles.
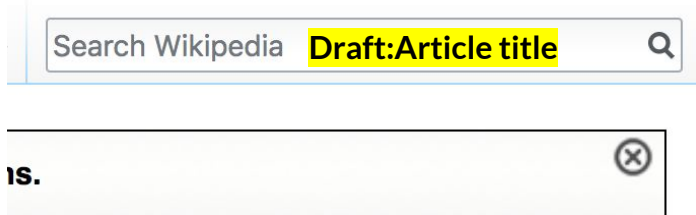If you need some help along the way, check out our **editing guide**.

[Next]

[Edit sandbox]

Or…

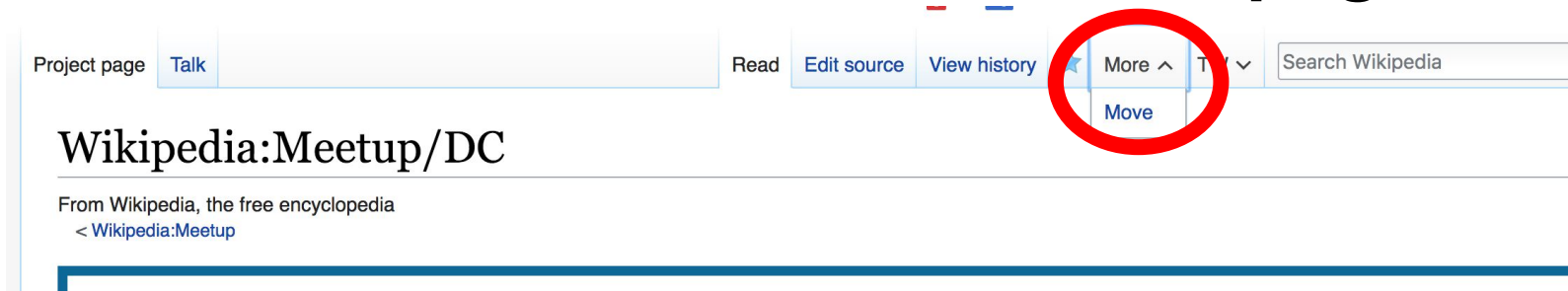# Create A New Article:
Three Ways to Get Started

- **Enter Draft:Article title into WP search bar**
  - **Click the red link to start the article**

Search Wikipedia   **Draft:Article title**

...s.

(Article) ✕

☰ Add namespaces…

You may create the page "Draft:Article title", but consider checking the s...

Draft:EDad - iPhone, uPhone (2017 mobile)
JC7V-talk 20:27, 10 November 2018 (UTC) Adames1983 (talk) UPDATE
ARTICLE TITLE TO: i Phone, u Phone (2017 Mobile) from eDad still wo...

Draft cont.

- **Start writing and publish as you go**
- **When happy with your draft, select 'More' then 'Move'**
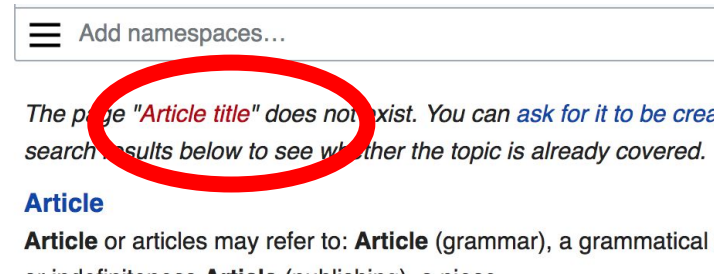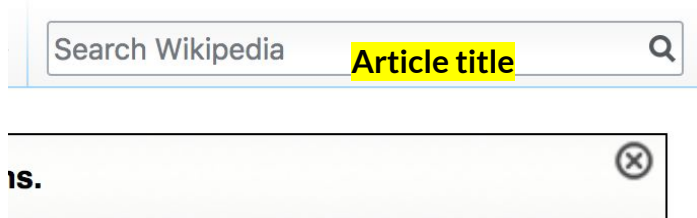- **Select 'Article' in menu under New Title, remove 'Draft:' and move page**

Project page | Talk   Read | Edit source | View history | More ^ | T ⌄ | Search Wikipedia

Move

Wikipedia:Meetup/DC

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
< Wikipedia:Meetup

Create A New Article cont.

2. Start a 'Mainspace' article
- Enter **Article title** into WP search bar
- Click the **red link** to start the article
- Create
- Publish

Search Wikipedia **Article title**

ns.

Add namespaces…

The page "Article title" does not exist. You can ask for it to be crea
search results below to see whether the topic is already covered.

Article

Article or articles may refer to: **Article** (grammar), a grammatical

Create A New Article cont.

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**

Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)   🔔7   📱23   Talk   **Sandbox**   Preferences   Beta   Watchlist   Contri

User page | Talk   Read   Edit   Edit source   View history   ⭐   More ⌄   TW ⌄   Search Wikipedia

User:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)/sandbox

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Tips/Other Ways to Edit

Adding Categories

Categories (+⁺): 1834 births (−) (±) | 1883 crimes (−) (±) | 1883 deaths (−) (±) | American expatriates in Germany (−) (±) | American people murdered abroad (−) (±) | American socialites (−) (±) | Burials in Lower Saxony (−) (±) | Deaths by firearm in Germany (−) (±) | People associated with the assassination of Abraham Lincoln (−) (±) | People from Albany, New York (−) (±) | People murdered in Germany (−) (±) | Women in the American Civil War (−) (±) | (+)

1. **Leave Editing mode**
2. **Select +**
3. **Type the category name into the field, i.e. People associated with the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. Only existing categories will appear in the list of options. You may create new categories.**
4. **Select 'Apply Changes'**

Redirects

1. **Identify target article** - '**Clara Harris**'
2. **Create a new article. Name it the alias.** '**Clara Hamilton**'
3. **To Redirect, select icon w/ three lines.**
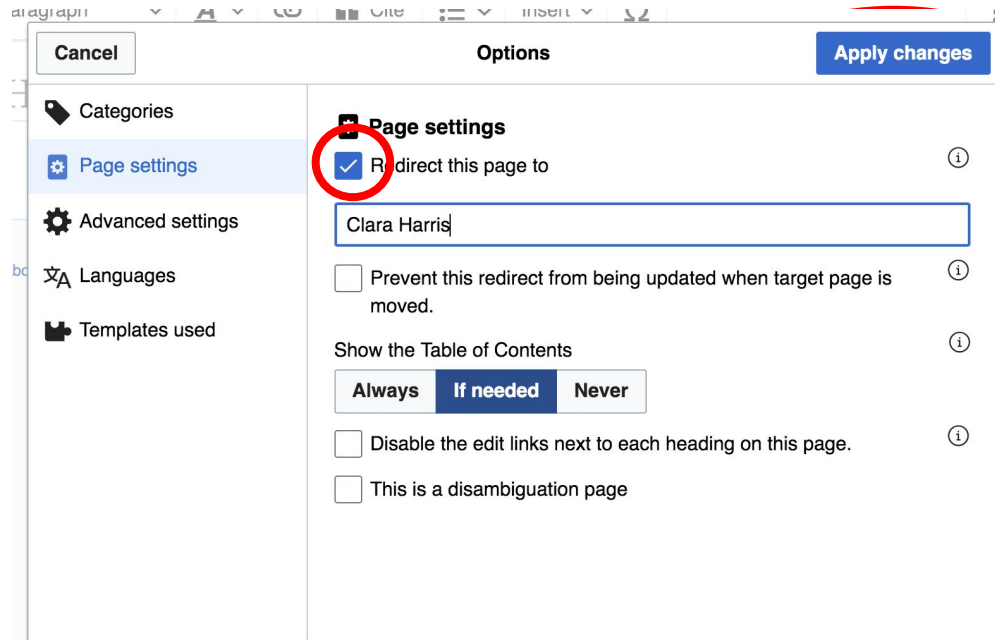4. **Select Page settings.**
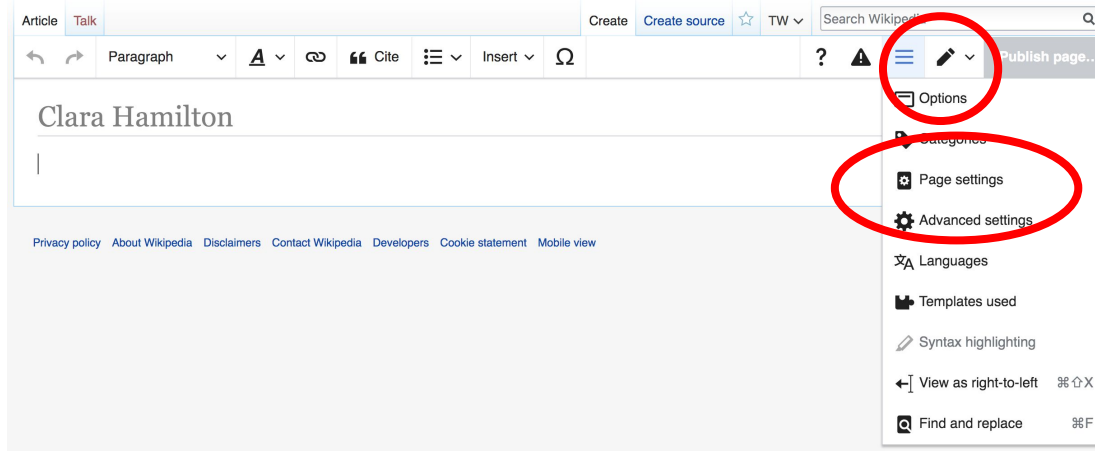
Redirects cont.

5. Select 'Redirect page to'

6. Enter name of the target article (Ex. Harriet Forten Purvis)

7. Select Apply changes   8. Select 'Apply changes

Uploading Photos to Wikicommons

Photo: Sumner School Archive Editing Workshop

Source: Wikimedia Commons

Adding Photos

1. **Go to commons.wikimedia.org**
2. **Select Upload**
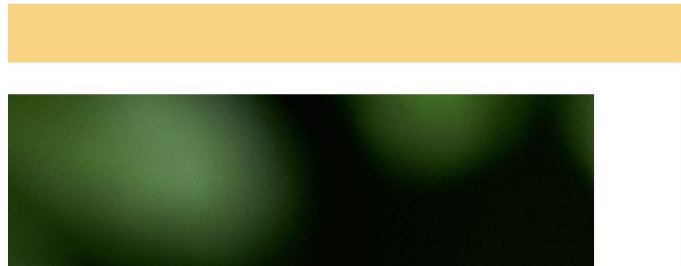
Adding Photos

3. Select media files to share

Adding Photos

4. Address copyright

Upload Wizard

❓ Please visit **Commons:Help desk** if you need to ask questions about uploading files.

| Learn | Upload | **Release rights** | Describe | Use |
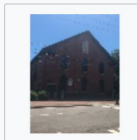
This site requires you to provide copyright information for this work, to make sure everyone can legally reuse it.

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Adding Photos

4. Name and caption your photo, add category