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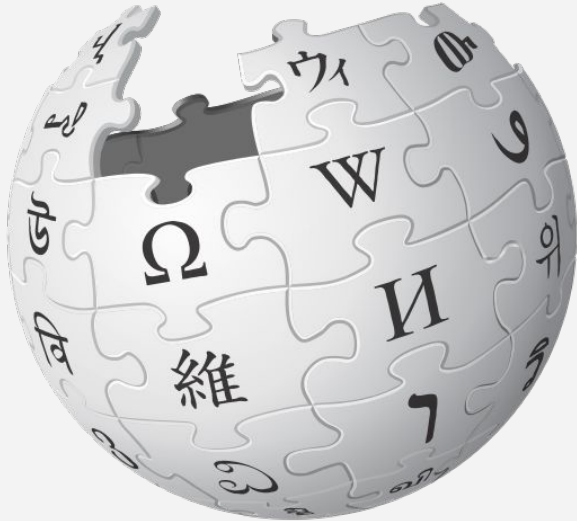
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Agenda

1. Wikipedia overview: 10 min.
2. Wikipedia Editing Training: 50 min
3. Editing

Wikimedia DC

Wikimedia DC is the regional outreach organization for Wikipedia and the other projects of the Wikimedia Foundation. Our mission is to promote participation in Wikimedia projects in Washington, DC, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and throughout the United States.



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Today's Objectives and Goals

Attendees will:

- Gain an understanding of Wikipedia's pillars and policies
- Learn how to:
 - edit existing Wikipedia articles
 - create new articles

With the goal of:

- Improving Wikipedia by adding and editing content about LGBTQ and disability-related topics



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

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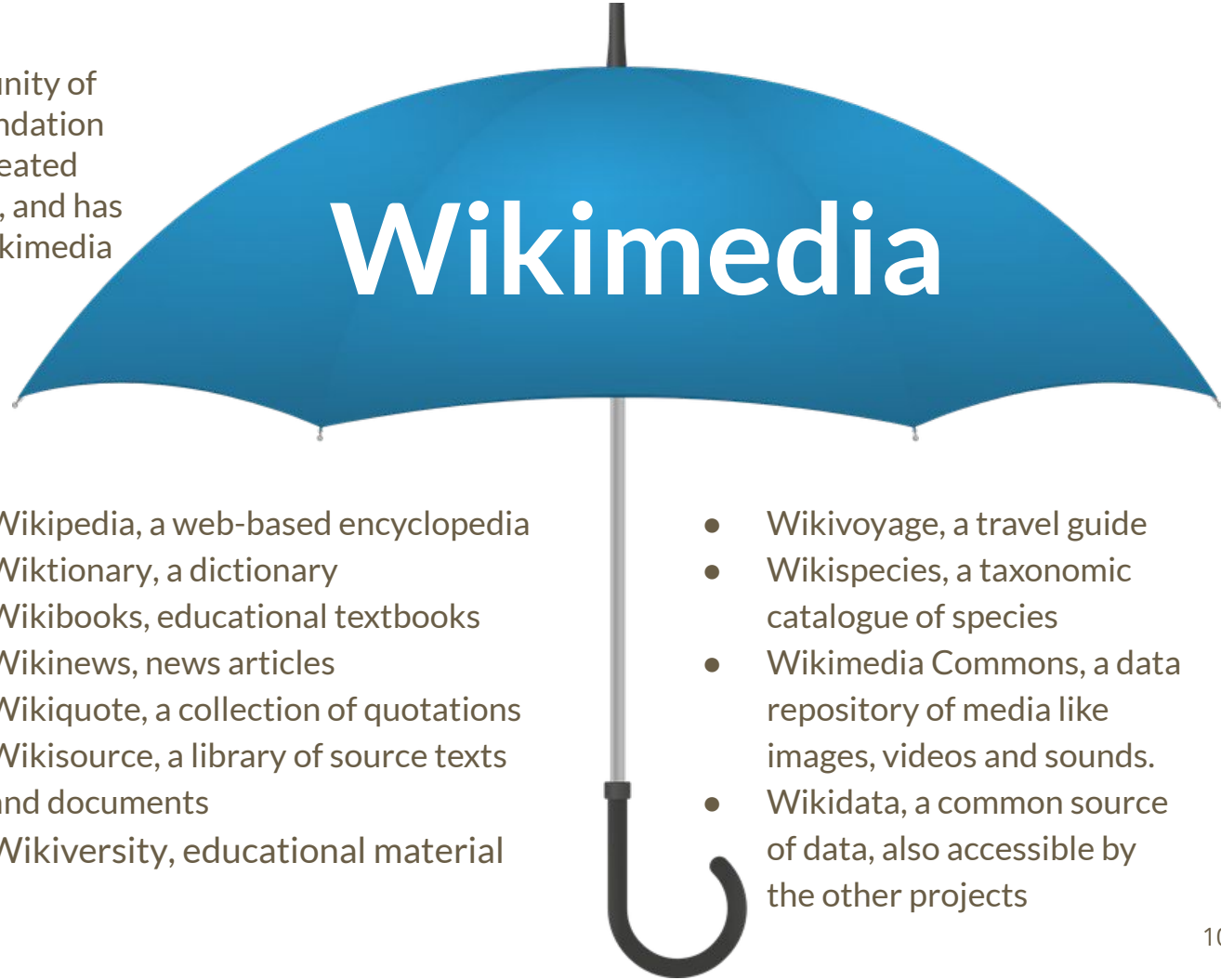
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Wikimedia, is the global community of contributors to Wikimedia Foundation projects. The movement was created around Wikipedia's community, and has since expanded to the other Wikimedia projects.



- Wikipedia, a web-based encyclopedia
- Wiktionary, a dictionary
- Wikibooks, educational textbooks
- Wikinews, news articles
- Wikiquote, a collection of quotations
- Wikisource, a library of source texts and documents
- Wikiversity, educational material
- Wikivoyage, a travel guide
- Wikispecies, a taxonomic catalogue of species
- Wikimedia Commons, a data repository of media like images, videos and sounds.
- Wikidata, a common source of data, also accessible by the other projects

Wikipedia Basics, Policies, and Oversight



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Wiki

- 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

WP:Pillars

Wikipedia Policies

- **Neutral Point of View** - written so all sides can agree (WP:POV)
- **Notability** - significant independent sources -> importance (WP:N)*
- **Verifiability** - Using reliable sources to reference information (WP:V)
- **No original research** - point to existing scholarship (WP: NOR)
- **Assume good faith** - start with congenial spirit (WP:GF)
- **Conflicts of interest** - disclose and abide by terms of service (WP:COI)

*See also 'Category:Wikipedia notability guidelines'
for more on notability by topic

Is Wikipedia Reliable?

- Wikipedia should not be considered a definitive source in and of itself
- It can be edited by anyone at any time meaning that any article can be subject to misinformation or vandalism
- Edits on Wikipedia that are in error may eventually be fixed
- Wikipedia is a volunteer-run project and cannot monitor every contribution all the time.
- Errors can go unnoticed for days, weeks, months, or even years

From WP: Wikipedia is not a reliable source

Is Wikipedia Reliable? Quality Controls

- Wikipedia is maintained by a community of volunteers
- Vandalism is identified and reverted by a combination of bots and individuals
- Widely read articles, like those about newsworthy topics such as politics, medicine, and science are monitored closer than others due to the number of views
- Wikiprojects, including patrol and thematic address article flaws and content gaps
- Admins and committees resolve issues when necessary

WP: Quality control, WP: Patrols, WP:Admin

Wikiprojects

- A group of contributors who want to work together as a team to improve Wikipedia
- Often focus on a specific topic area (for example, WikiProject Medicine) or a specific part of the encyclopedia (for example, WP:WikiProject Disambiguation), or a specific kind of task (for example, checking newly created pages).
- English Wikipedia currently has over 2,000 WikiProjects, about 1,000 of which are monitored by 30–2,000 editors

WP: Wikiproject

Event Page and Article Work List



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Log in to Wikipedia

1. Go to **en.wikipedia.org**
2. Create username or log in (top right)

Special page

Not logged in [Talk](#) [Contributions](#) [Create account](#) [Log in](#)

Search Wikipedia

Log in

Username

Password

Event page

1. Go to en.wikipedia.org
2. Enter **WP:MC2020** into the Wikipedia search bar (top right)

@WikimediaDC Shortcut WP:MC2020


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When

Thursday, October 22, 2020
10am-11am EDT



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Event page

- Wikimedia page with links to Wikipedia policies, practices, and tools. Also includes a list Wikipedia articles for creation or improvement
- This page will remain live and accessible after the event.

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Event page Sign-in

1. Go to the blue sign-in button
2. Scroll down on the following page and click publish (do not write anything on the empty field)

Please sign in [\[edit source \]](#)

This is for use on the day of the event.

- 1) Click 'Sign in' here.
- 2) Scroll down on the page that follows and click 'Save changes'. Your username will then be added to the



Sign in

Article Worklist Review

Suggested Article Work List [\[edit source \]](#)

About the [Article Assessment Quality Scale](#)

Use this Google sheet to access the article work list

You can also find articles using:

[Wikipedia:WikiProject LGBT studies/Vital articles](#)

and

[Wikipedia:WikiProject Disability/Popular pages](#)

Resources [\[edit source \]](#)

- [Images via Smithsonian Open Access](#)
- [Pride Month resource, Library of Congress](#)
- [Smithsonian LBGTO History](#)
- [American Archive of Public Broadcasting LGBT+ Collection](#)
- [Disability Museum](#)
- [UMass Amherst Libraries Special Collections & University Archives: Collecting area: Disability](#)

Set Editing Preferences



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Wikipedia Editing Tools

VisualEditor

'Edit' button

VisualEditor is a "visual" way of editing Wikipedia that does not require editors to learn wiki markup. Until Visual Editor, editors had to learn wiki markup to make most edits.

VisualEditor works like a word processor. While is simpler to use, the Source Editor can be more effective for some tasks.

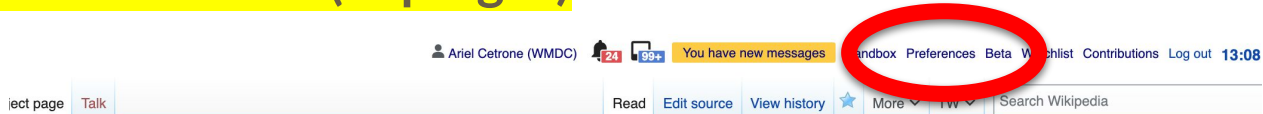
Source Editor

'Edit source' button

Source editor uses Wikitext, also known as Wiki markup or Wikicode, which consists of the syntax and keywords used by the MediaWiki software to format a page.

Set Editing Preferences: **Activate Visual Editor**

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



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of a Wikipedia article. The user is logged in as 'Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)'. The navigation menu includes 'Inbox', 'Preferences', 'Beta', 'Watchlist', 'Contributions', and 'Log out'. The 'Preferences' link is circled in red. Below the navigation bar, the article title is 'Wikipedia:Meetup/DC/Mastercard PRIDE and ADAPTability Virtual Wikipedia Edit-a-thon'. The article content includes a blue header with '@WikimediaDC' and a logo for 'WIKIMEDIA DC'.

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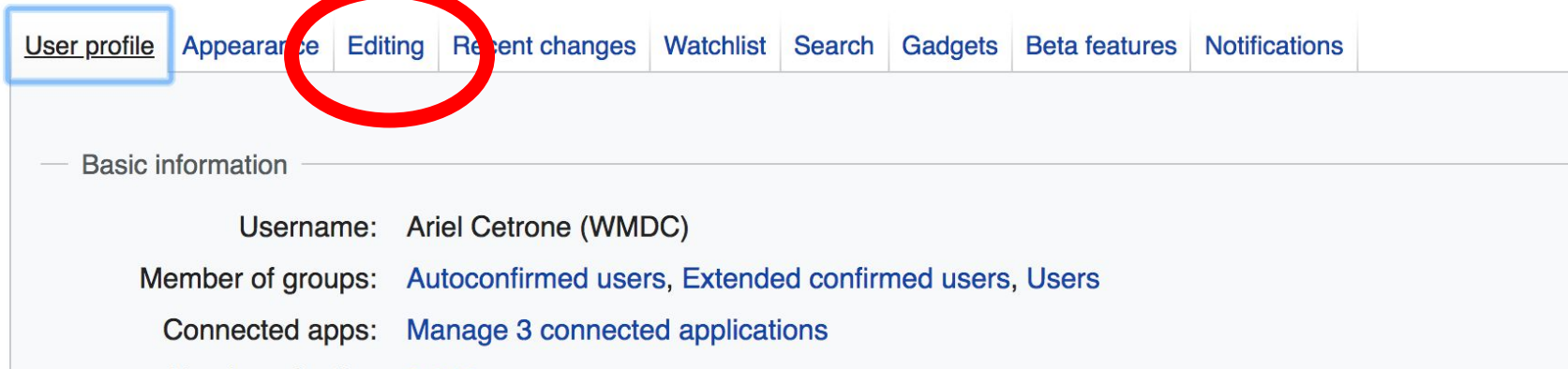
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Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

3. Select the 'Editing' tab

Preferences

For information about the settings on this page, see [Help:Preferences](#).



The screenshot shows the 'Preferences' page with a navigation bar containing the following tabs: [User profile](#), [Appearance](#), [Editing](#), [Recent changes](#), [Watchlist](#), [Search](#), [Gadgets](#), [Beta features](#), and [Notifications](#). The 'Editing' tab is circled in red. Below the navigation bar, the 'Basic information' section is visible, containing the following details:

- Username: Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)
- Member of groups: [Autoconfirmed users](#), [Extended confirmed users](#), [Users](#)
- Connected apps: [Manage 3 connected applications](#)

Set Editing Preferences: Activate Visual Editor

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 Notif

— 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 ▾

User Page



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User Page

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

User page Talk


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 **Wiki Loves Monuments: The world's largest photography competition**
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User:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)

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User Page

- Share information and interests
- Use is optional unless editing as part of official duties

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User Page: Sample Conflict of Interest Statement

For those editing as part of their professional duties

About Me

I am a paid employee of XYZ organization. We are working to make our resources more accessible to the public by working directly with Wikipedia.

Conflict of interest statement

I am editing Wikipedia as part of my official duties at XYZ organization. I will abide by Wikipedia's accepted practices on conflicts of interest, neutrality, and notability. Because the mission of XYZ organization is in line with Wikipedia's mission to disseminate knowledge, I will not make edits that I do not believe are in accordance with Wikipedia's practices and procedures. If you believe I have made an error or violated Wikipedia's norms, please let me know.

Talk Page

- Receive messages
- Communicate with other users

User page Talk

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

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Exploring Tabs: Article History

View all edits ever made by selecting 'View History'

Article [Talk](#) [Read](#) [Edit](#) [Edit source](#) [View history](#) [☆](#) [M](#) [TW](#) [Q](#)

Fran Lebowitz [[edit](#) | [edit source](#)]


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A *start-class* article from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Frances Ann Lebowitz (born October 27, 1950) is an American author,^[1] public speaker,^{[2][3]} and occasional actor.^[4] Lebowitz is known for her sardonic [social commentary](#) on American life as filtered through her [New York City](#) sensibilities.^[5] Some reviewers have called her a modern-day [Dorothy Parker](#).^[6]

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Fran Lebowitz



Lebowitz in 2011

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October 27, 1950 (age 69)
[Morristown, New Jersey, U.S.](#)

Occupation Author · public speaker

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Notable works [Metropolitan Life](#)
[Social Studies](#)
[The Fran Lebowitz Reader](#)

Exploring Tabs: Article History

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Fran Lebowitz: Revision history

[View logs for this page](#) ([view filter log](#))

Filter revisions

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Exploring Tabs: Talk Page - Community Discussion

- Discuss the article with other editors

- Use is optional

- Can be used to add suggestions when one believes they have a conflict of interest

Article Talk

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Talk:Fran Lebowitz [edit source]

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This article must adhere to the **biographies of living persons (BLP)** policy, even if it is not a biography, because it contains material about living persons. Contentious material about living persons that is unsourced or **poorly sourced must be removed immediately** from the article and its talk page, especially if potentially **libellous**. If such material is repeatedly inserted, or if you have other concerns, please report the issue to [this noticeboard](#).

If you are a subject of this article, or acting on behalf of one, and you need help, please see [this help page](#).

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WikiProject Judaism	(Rated Start-class, Low-importance)	[show]
WikiProject Women's History	(Rated Start-class, Low-importance)	[show]
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Article Sections: References

Writer's block & public persona [edit | edit source]

Since the mid-1990s, Fran Lebowitz is known for her decades-long **writer's block**.^[1] The first book published was *Mr. Chas and Lisa Sue Meet the Pandas* (1994), a children's book about a family of pandas living in New York City who long to move to Paris. Since that time, Lebowitz has worked on various book projects that have not been completed. This includes *Extinction*, a long-overdue, unfinished novel,^[7] purportedly about rich people who want to be artists and artists who want to be rich.^[1] Her book, *Progress*, was first excerpted in *Vanity Fair* in 2018 but has yet to be completed, as of April 2020. When discussing her writer's block, she said, "My editor—who, whenever I introduce him as my editor, always says, 'easiest job in town'—is paralysis I have about writing is caused by an excessive reverence for the writer and I think that's probably true."^[13]

Due to her writer's block, Lebowitz has largely supported herself with television appearances and speaking engagements. She has said, "It's what I wanted my entire life. For me, it's an opinion, and people not allowed to interrupt."^[25] She tours as a public speaker, managed by the Steven Barclay Agency.^[26] In addition, she has made several appearances on

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- [Black Book interview](#)
- [The Onion A.V. Club interview](#)
- [PEN 2013 Master/Class with Fran Lebowitz and A. M. Homes](#)



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Editing Existing Articles



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Editing with Visual Editor

1. Open a Wikipedia article
2. Select 'Edit'
3. Add and remove text as you would in a word processor

Unsure if you are in Visual Editor? Are you not seeing the 'Edit' button?
Select 'Edit Source', select the Pencil (red), select 'Visual editing'

The screenshot shows the Wikipedia editing interface for the article "Fran Lebowitz". The top navigation bar includes "Article" and "Talk" tabs. Below this is a toolbar with various editing options: "Paragraph", "A" (text color), "link" icon, "Cite", "list" icon, "Insert", and "Ω" (help). The main content area shows the article title "Fran Lebowitz" with "[edit | edit source]" links. Below the title, it says "ORES predicted quality: (GA) (4.4)" and "A start-class article from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia". At the bottom, there is a "Use mdy dates" notice and the start of the article text: "Frances Ann Lebowitz (born October 27, 1950) is an American author, public speaker, and occasional actor. Lebowitz is known for her".

Callouts and annotations:

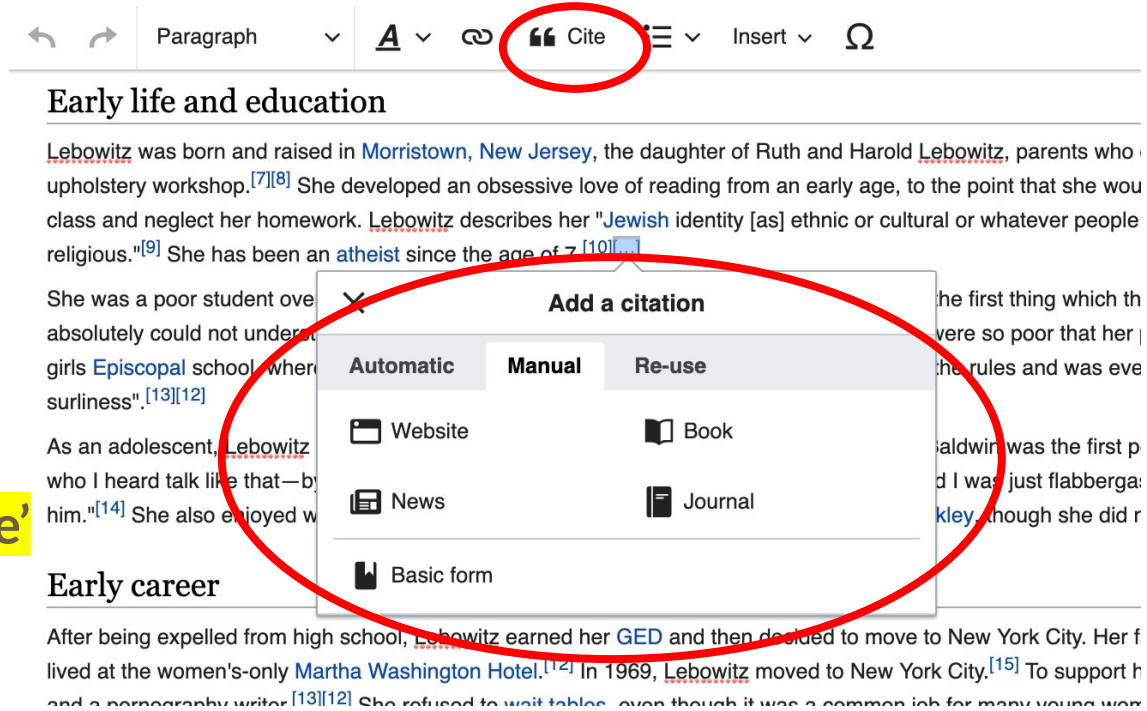
- A yellow callout box labeled "Formatting buttons" points to the toolbar.
- A yellow callout box labeled "Edit buttons" with the text "Edit = Visual Editor, Edit Source = Code" points to the "Edit" and "Edit source" buttons in the top navigation bar.
- A red circle highlights the pencil icon in the top right corner.
- A red circle highlights the dropdown menu that appears when the pencil icon is clicked, showing "Visual editing" (selected) and "Source editing".

Citing Your Sources

1. Place cursor in desired location

2. Select 'Cite'

3. Select 'Automatic' (for URLs, etc.), 'Manual' (to customize fields), or 'Reuse' (to cite a source that has already been used)



The screenshot shows a document editor interface. At the top, a toolbar contains a 'Cite' button, which is circled in red. Below the toolbar, the document text is visible, with a section titled 'Early life and education'. A dialog box titled 'Add a citation' is open, also circled in red. The dialog box has three tabs: 'Automatic', 'Manual', and 'Re-use'. Under 'Automatic', there are options for 'Website' and 'News'. Under 'Re-use', there are options for 'Book' and 'Journal'. At the bottom of the dialog, there is a 'Basic form' option. The document text in the background includes the following paragraphs:

Early life and education

Lebowitz was born and raised in [Morristown, New Jersey](#), the daughter of Ruth and Harold Lebowitz, parents who upholstered in a family upholstery workshop.^{[7][8]} She developed an obsessive love of reading from an early age, to the point that she would often skip class and neglect her homework. Lebowitz describes her "Jewish identity [as] ethnic or cultural or whatever people call it." She has been an atheist since the age of 7.^[9]

She was a poor student over the course of her education, and she absolutely could not understand the rules and was even expelled from her girls' Episcopal school where she was "for her surliness."^{[13][12]}

As an adolescent, Lebowitz was described as a "wild child" who I heard talk like that — by her mother.^[14] She also enjoyed watching movies.

Early career

After being expelled from high school, Lebowitz earned her GED and then decided to move to New York City. Her first job was as a typist at the women's-only [Martha Washington Hotel](#).^[12] In 1969, Lebowitz moved to New York City.^[15] To support her family, she worked as a waitress and a newspaper writer.^{[13][12]} She refused to wait tables, even though it was a common job for many young women at the time.

Citing Your Sources

4a. Populate fields (when selecting 'Automatic' and 'Manual')

4b. Select source that's already listed (when selecting 'Reuse')

5. Select 'Insert'

← → Paragraph A ↻ Cite ≡ Insert Ω

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Add a citation

Automatic Manual Re-use

Website News Book Journal

Basic form

Adding Sections with Headings

Early career

After being expelled from high school, [Lebowitz](#) earned her [GED](#) and then decided to move to New York City. Her father agreed to pay for her first two months in the city on the condition that she lived at a women's-only [Martha Washington Hotel](#).^[11] In 1969, [Lebowitz](#) moved to New York City.^[14] To support herself, she worked various odd jobs as a cleaning lady, chauffeur, taxi driver, and a pornography writer.^{[12][11]} She refused to [wait tables](#), even though it was a common job for many young women in New York City, due to the sexual harassment and expectation to sleep with the manager at many restaurants.^[15]

At age 21, while she was working as a writer of book and movie reviews for a small magazine called *Changes*, [Andy Warhol](#) hired her as a columnist for *Interview*,^[16] where she wrote a column called "I Cover the Waterfront."^[17] This was followed by a stint at *Mademoiselle*.^[18] During these years, she made friends with many artists. She was a friend of [Peter Hujar](#), whom she met in 1971. She also knew [Robert Mapplethorpe](#), who often gave her photos. She threw away many of those photos in the 1970s.^[19]

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Adding Sections with Headings

1. Place cursor
2. Select 'Paragraph'
3. Select 'Heading'
4. Name heading
5. Hit return/enter to default back to 'paragraph' text and begin typing

The screenshot shows a text editor interface with a dropdown menu open. The menu items are: Paragraph (circled in red), Paragraph (with a plus icon), Heading (circled in red), Sub-heading 1, Sub-heading 2, Sub-heading 3, Sub-heading 4, Preformatted, Block quote, and Page title. The background text is partially visible, showing a paragraph about an author. A yellow box at the bottom of the screenshot contains the text "New section with heading" with a red arrow pointing to it from the right.

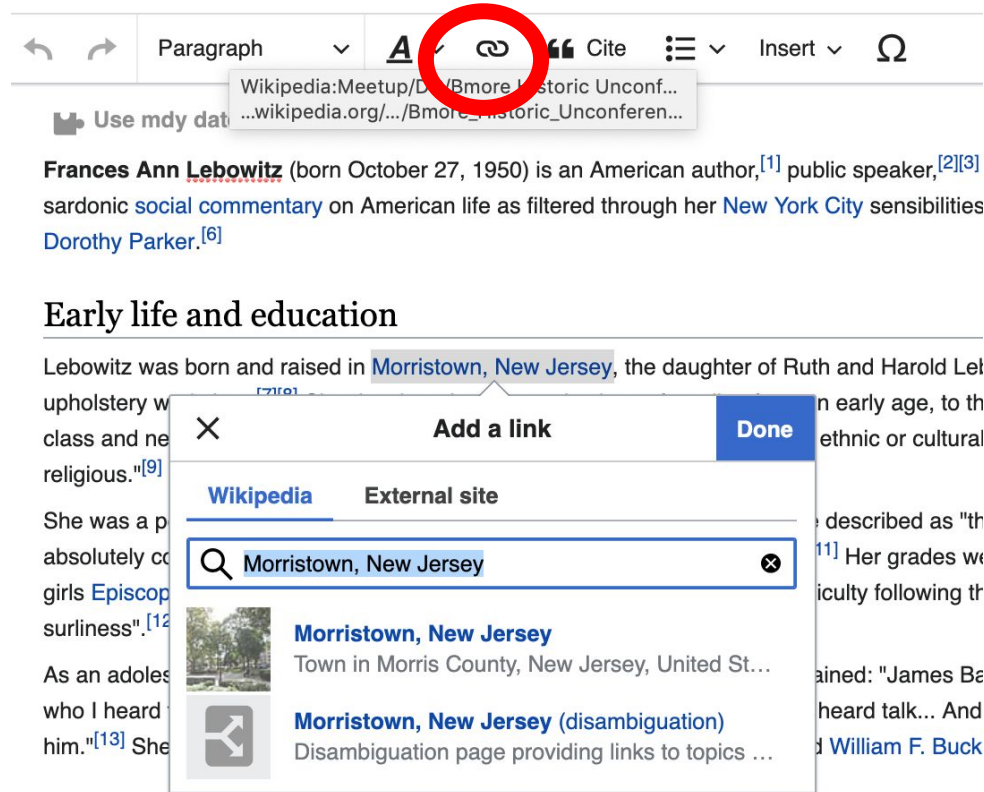
Creating Links Between Wikipedia Articles

1. Select text

2. Select link icon

3. Select article and
'Done'

*When adding an external link in an external links section, enter the title of what you are adding, highlight the text, select the link icon, paste a URL, and select 'Done'.



The screenshot shows the Wikipedia article editor interface. The top toolbar includes icons for undo, redo, Paragraph, Bold (A), Link (chain icon), Quote, List, Insert, and Help. The Link icon is circled in red. Below the toolbar, the text "Use my data" is visible. The main text of the article is about Frances Ann Lebowitz, with the name "Frances Ann Lebowitz" highlighted in blue. A tooltip shows the URL "Wikipedia:Meetup/D...Bmore Historic Unconf...". Below the main text, the section "Early life and education" is visible. The text "Lebowitz was born and raised in Morristown, New Jersey" is highlighted in blue. A dialog box titled "Add a link" is open, showing a search for "Morristown, New Jersey" and a list of search results, including "Morristown, New Jersey" and "Morristown, New Jersey (disambiguation)". The "Done" button is highlighted in blue.

Linking to External Sites (When appropriate)

1. Write or paste text
2. Highlight text
3. Select link icon (top)
4. Paste URL destination in field
5. Select 'Done'

*External sites should not be linked within the body of an article. Instead, they can be added in the External Links section. They are sometimes appropriate when used as embedded media. See: James Baldwin

External links

- [Fran Lebowitz on IMDb](#)
- [Index magazine interview](#)
- [Interview with Fran Lebowitz](#)
- [Black Book interview](#)
- [The Onion A.V. Club interview](#)
- [PEN 2013 Master/Class with Fran Lebowitz and A. M. Homes](#)

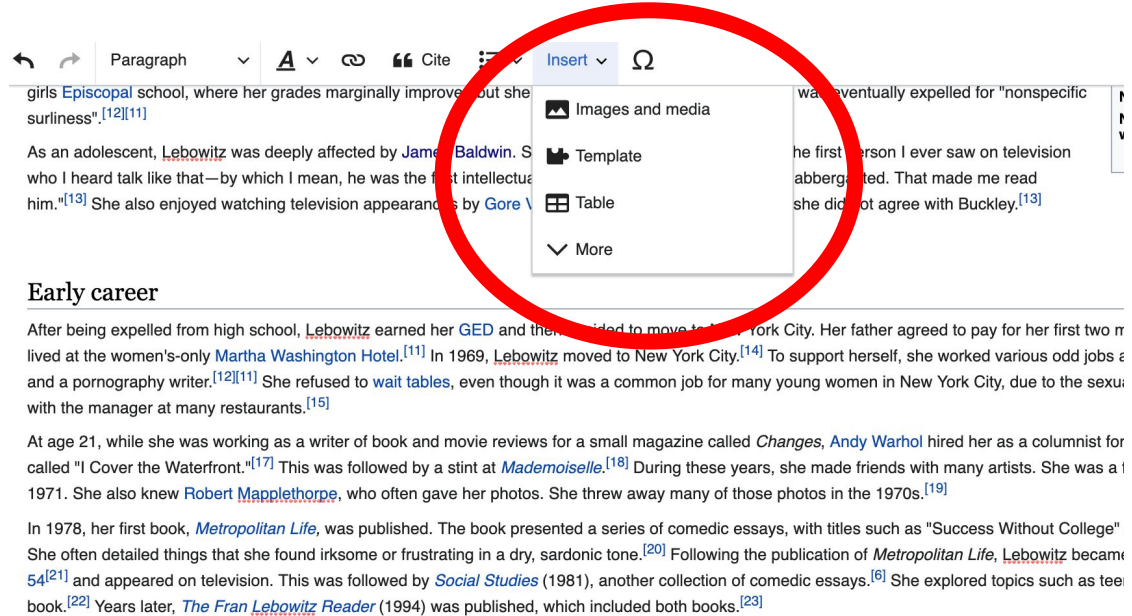


Adding Photos with Wikimedia Commons

1. Place cursor in desired location (left or right)

2. Select: 'Insert' + Media'

3. Enter search term



girls [Episcopal](#) school, where her grades marginally improved but she was eventually expelled for "nonspecific surliness".^{[12][11]}

As an adolescent, [Lebowitz](#) was deeply affected by [James Baldwin](#). She was the first person I ever saw on television who I heard talk like that—by which I mean, he was the first intellectual abberged. That made me read him.^[13] She also enjoyed watching television appearances by [Gore Vidal](#) she did not agree with [Buckley](#).^[13]

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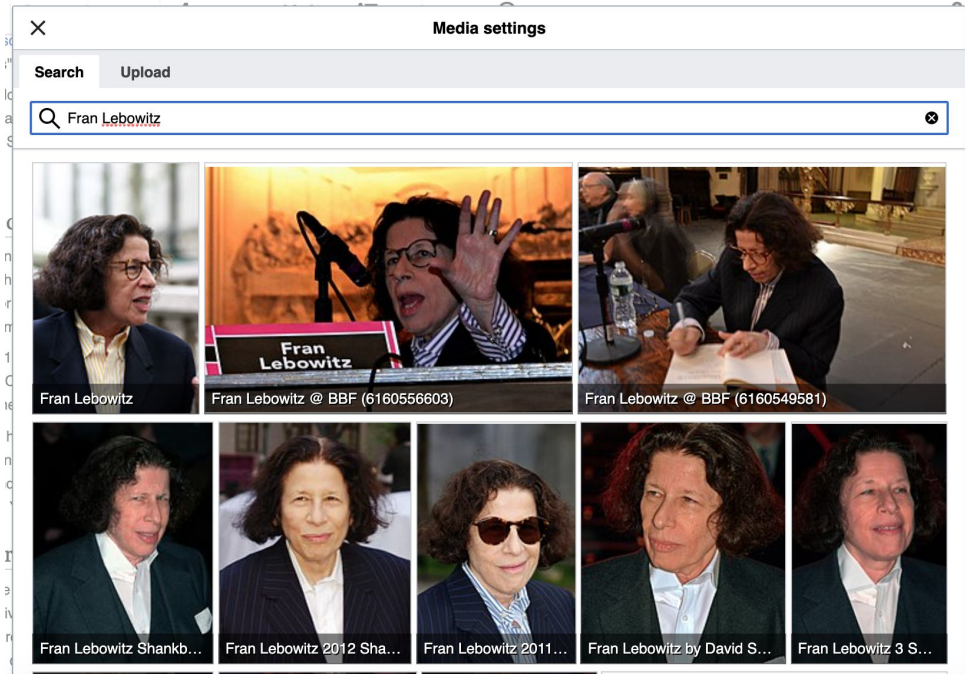
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4. Enter search term

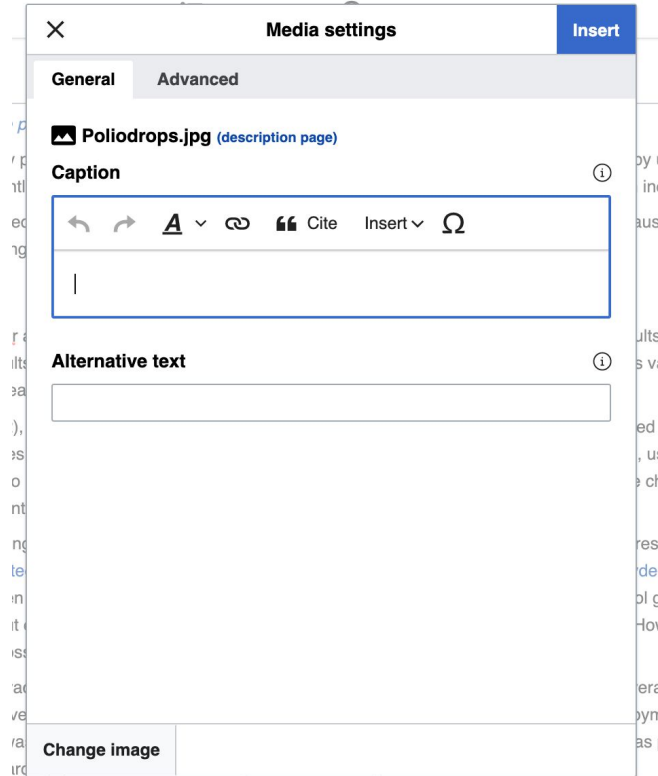
5. Select photo + 'Use this image'



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6. Caption your image and add alternative text

7. Select 'Insert'

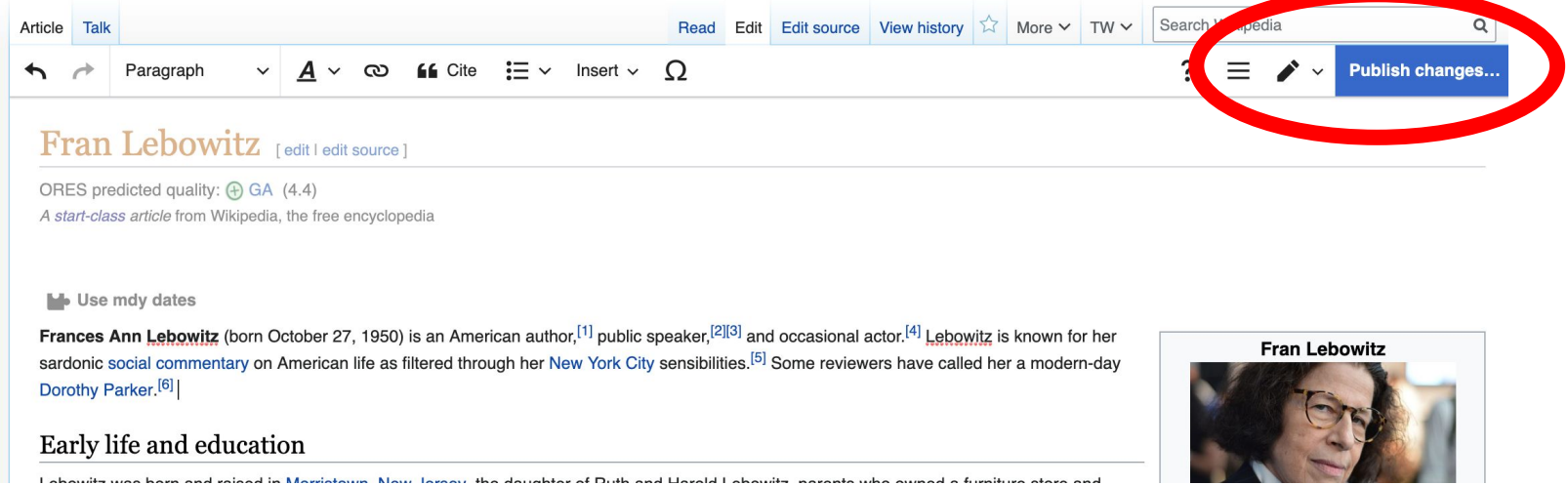


Adding Categories

1. Leave Editing mode
2. Select +
3. Type the category name into the field, i.e. 'LGBT writers from the United States'. Only existing categories will appear in the list of options. You may create new categories.
4. Select 'Apply Changes'

Categories (+): 1950 births (-) (±) | Living people (-) (±) | American humorists (-) (±) | American television actresses (-) (±) | 20th-century American women writers (-) (±) | 21st-century American women writers (-) (±) | American satirists (-) (±) | People from Morristown, New Jersey (-) (±) | Women satirists (-) (±) | Jewish American writers (-) (±) | LGBT Jews (-) (±) | LGBT people from New Jersey (-) (±) | LGBT writers from the United States (-) (±) | Lesbian writers (-) (±) | Lesbian actresses (-) (±) | American women non-fiction writers (-) (±) | 20th-century American non-fiction writers (-) (±) | 21st-century American non-fiction writers (-) (±) | American atheists (-) (±) | Jewish atheists (-) (±) | (+)

Don't forget to 'Publish' often



The screenshot shows the Wikipedia edit interface for the article "Fran Lebowitz". The top navigation bar includes "Article" and "Talk" tabs, and a menu with "Read", "Edit", "Edit source", "View history", "More", and "TW". A search bar for "Wikipedia" is on the right. Below the navigation is a toolbar with icons for undo, redo, paragraph, text color, link, cite, list, insert, and help. The "Publish changes..." button is highlighted with a red circle. The article content includes the title "Fran Lebowitz", an ORES quality indicator of GA (4.4), a "Use mdy dates" template, and a paragraph of text about her as an author and actor. A small portrait of Fran Lebowitz is shown on the right.

To quickly abandon changes made to an article, select 'Read' (next to Edit/Edit Source) and your edits will not be saved.

Additional tips

- Search hyperlinked articles for relevant information
- 'Copy and Paste' is acceptable between WP articles as long as content is relevant and the original articles/editors are credited in the 'Edit Summary' box
- Also a good way to find new sources

Creating New Articles

Three Methods

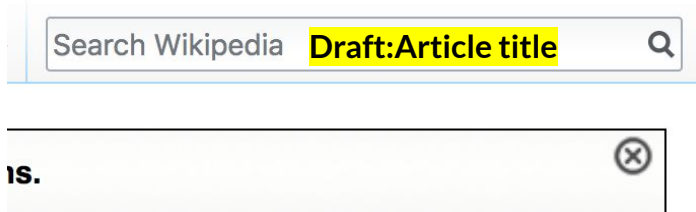


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Creating Articles: Drafts

1a. Start a 'Draft'

- Enter **Draft:Article title** into WP search bar
- Click the red link to start the article
- Start writing and publish as you go



Creating Articles: Drafts

- When ready to move your draft to Wikipedia mainspace, go to the draft and select 'More' then 'Move'



Creating Articles: Drafts

- Select 'Article' from the New Title dropdown menu and check that 'Draft' has been removed from the title
- Select 'Move Page'

← Draft:Delita Martin

Using the form below will rename a page, moving all of its history to the new name. The old title will become a [redirect](#) page to the new title. **Links to the old page** This can be a drastic and unexpected change for a [popular page](#); please be sure you understand the consequences of this before proceeding. Please read [Wikipedia:Moving a page](#) for detailed instructions.

Move page

New title:

Reason:

Watch for page and target page

Move log

Or...

Creating Articles: Drafts

1b. Use the Article Wizard - (Search [Wikipedia: Article Wizard](#))

- 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](#).

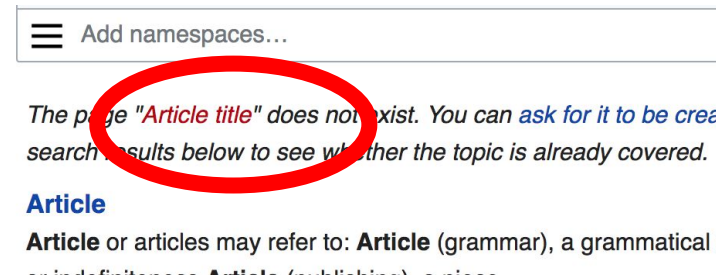
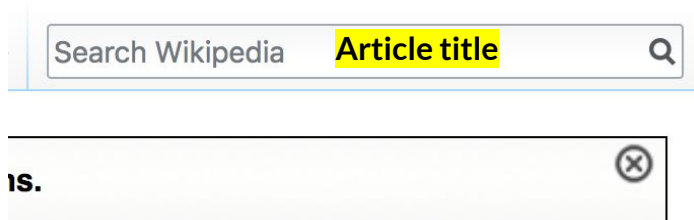
Next

Edit sandbox

Creating Articles: Wikipedia Mainspace

2. Start a 'Mainspace' article

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



Creating Articles: Sandbox

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



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of a Wikipedia user page. The user is identified as 'Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)'. There are notification icons for 7 new messages and 23 new pages. The navigation menu includes 'Talk', 'Sandbox', 'Preferences', 'Beta', 'Watchlist', and 'Contri'. Below this, there are buttons for 'User page', 'Talk', 'Read', 'Edit', 'Edit source', 'View history', 'more', and 'TW'. A search box labeled 'Search Wikipedia' is on the right. The 'Sandbox' link in the navigation menu is circled in red.

User:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)/sandbox

Uploading Photos or Files to Wikicommons



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1. Go to commons.wikimedia.org
2. Select 'Upload'



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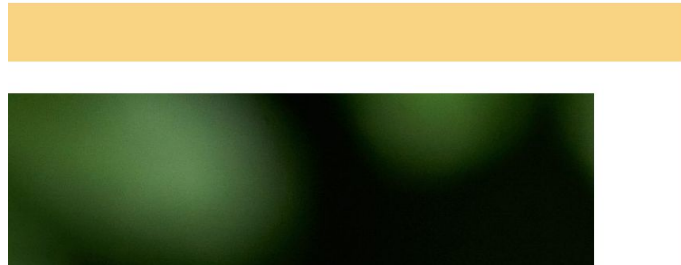
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Help select the 2017
Picture of the Year. Round
2 ends 22 July.



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5a. Release the rights if it is your own work



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I, , the copyright holder of this work, irrevocably grant anyone the right to use this work under the Creative Commons Attribution ShareAlike 4.0 license ([legal code](#)).

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5b. If not your own work, name the source and select the appropriate Creative Commons license or another reason why it is license-free or in the public domain (Pre-1925, published for the US government, etc.)

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Source

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The name of the person who took the photo, or painted the picture, drew the drawing, etc.

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Adding Images or Files

6. Describe the image

Learn > Upload > Release rights > **Describe** > Add data > Use




 Remove



Image title

Create a unique descriptive title using plain language with spaces. Omit the file extension, if any.

Angler's Footbridge C&O Canal Potomac, Maryland

Caption

Add a one-line explanation of what this file represents, including only the most relevant information. *Optional*

English  

Angler's Footbridge C&O Canal Potomac, Maryland

[+ Add a caption in another language](#)

Description

Provide all information that will help others understand what this file represents.

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7. Add metadata
(optional),
i.e. Depicts Footbridge

8. Publish

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