



Women in Science Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

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How to Wiki

All Wikipedia articles should be written from a **neutral point of view**. Wikipedia is not a soapbox or means of promotion.

- There are also specific requirements for **biographies of living persons**.

All material presented in an article must be **verifiable** using citations of independent, reliable sources.

- Articles must not contain '**original research**' i.e. facts, allegations, and ideas for which no reliable, published sources exist

A subject must meet Wikipedia's **notability requirements** to warrant a stand-alone article.

- There is a specific policy about notability as it pertains to **academics**.

Getting started

- Where possible, it's easiest for beginners to work in the **VisualEditor** as opposed to the source editor.
- You can always draft new pages or test edits in your **User Sandbox**.
- Here are some tips for **writing your first article**.
- If you decide to use the source editor, here is a list of the **Wiki markups** you will need to use.

What does that button do?

Take a look at this **annotated Wikipedia page**.

Need a refresher or more info?

Here's a **step-by-step tutorial** on Wikipedia editing.

Today's edit-a-thon

Visit our project page: <http://bit.ly/2XZr6cA>

There are many ways you can take part:

- Improve an **existing article**
- Write a **new article**
- Expand a **stub article**
- Improve a **list**

When choosing a subject

- **Conflict of interest**: editors should avoid editing material about family, friends (or enemies), colleagues or employers.
- On our project page, add your **Wiki username** next to the Wiki page you choose to work on to avoid double-ups.

Hit that edit button!

Below are some editing tips and tools you can use:



Use the pencil button to switch between the source editor and the visual editor



With your cursor in position, hit Cite to add your references using the URL or ISBN of your source.



Add hyperlinks to existing Wikipedia pages for connectivity.



Preview your changes before publishing and remember to write an informative **edit summary** of what you changed and why.



Check your Wiki notifications to follow discussions. Sign your posts with your Wiki signature (using the shortcut: ~~~~) and keep editing!

"The more you read about these sensational women, the more you get so motivated and inspired by their personal stories." ~ Jess Wade