

## Notes on Wiki editing

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MediaWiki has a thorough editing guide at <http://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Help:Editing>. Below are some salient points:

To **edit an article**, click edit at the top of the article's page.

To **link to a page on the Wiki**, use double brackets and separate the page title from the link text with a pipe:

```
[[Page title | LinkText]]
```

To **link to a page elsewhere on the internet**, use single brackets and separate the URL from the link text with a space:

```
[http://www.url.net LinkText]
```

To **upload a file**, click upload file in the Toolbox at the left edge of any page.

This is the syntax for **linking to an image**:

```
[[Image:imageName.ext | width | Mouseover text]]
```

"width" should be given in pixels: [[Image:imageName.ext | 200px | Mouseover text]]

You must first upload the image before linking to it thusly.

To link to another type of file, like a PDF file, upload it and then link to it as you would any other page elsewhere on the internet.

The syntax for **simple formatting** is intuitive:

```
‘italics’ italics  
‘‘boldface’’ boldface  
‘‘‘boldfaced italics’’’ boldfaced italics
```

```
*List item •List item  
**Nested list item •Nested list item  
***Sub-nested list item •Sub-nested list item
```

```
#Numbered list item 1. Numbered list item  
##Nested numbered list item 1. Nested numbered list item  
###Sub-nested numbered... 1. Sub-nested numbered...
```

```
==Section==  
===Subsection===  
====Sub-subsection====
```

Sections denoted this way will automatically appear in a table of contents

Most **HTML formatting tags** are valid:

```
<big>BigText</big>  
<a href=http://www.url.net>Link text</a>  
<br>
```

To **create a new article**, you can just create a "link", in an existing article, to a page with a title that doesn't exist. The link will appear **red**, and if you click on it, you will be taken to the edit page for the new article.

You can also manually type the URL of the page you want to create in your browser's address bar.