



Step One: Create a Wikipedia Account

- Go to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page
- Then click on "Create account" located in the upper right corner of the page.
- Click on each box to fill in: Username (click "help me choose" link for username creation tips!), Password, Confirm password, Email Address (please include for tracking purposes), and Security check (please use the provided captcha).
- Click "Create your account" button.
- Congratulations! Now the fun can start!

Step Two: Practice Editing!

- Wikipedia is awesome in that it provides a variety of ways for us to learn how to edit.
- One way to learn is to visit the Sandbox.
- On the home page, click on the "Sanbox" link, located on the top right navigation bar.
- Try adding some material (nothing that violates copyrights!) into your Sandbox and play with the editing tools.
- You may also want to click and read through the "Tutorial sandbox 1, 2, 3, 4, 5" links for tips.
- Another way to learn how to edit is via the Wikipedia Adventure game.
- Make sure you are logged in.
- Go to this address: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:TWA/Portal>
- Click on "Start the adventure"



Step Three: Join us for the Edit-a-Thon!

- Please RSVP to attend the edit-a-thon by going to this link to fill out and submit the form: <http://bit.ly/1ocYqnU>
- There will be a Blackboard Collaborate edit-a-thon training session on Thursday, September 25th, 2014 at 6 pm PST, which will be recorded if you can't make the live version. Use this link: <http://bit.ly/ASISTCollab>
- We will set up a Google Hangout for the entirety of the edit-a-thon, where you will be able to check in and ask questions!
- Use #SJSUedits to Tweet during the event!
- Before the event, peruse Wikipedia to see what articles/pages need editing. Make a list for the edit-a-thon!

Step Four: Go On, Edit Something!

- Almost every page (except "protected" pages) has the ability to be edited.
- First, click on the "Edit" link located on the top right of the page. This leads to an editing area.
- Make your edits.
- Be sure to follow the Terms of Service and to also provide an Edit Summary (located under the editing box).
- You may then choose to check the box indicating your edit "is a minor edit" and/or the box that gives you the option to "Watch this page".
- Click "Show preview" in order to see a preview of the page including your edit(s).
- You may also click "Show changes" to show your edits against the previous version of the page.
- Finally, click "Save Page," et voila!

