



Getting Started with Wikis: Learning from Faculty Experience

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Accessing Our Session Wiki

- During this session, you will have access to a wiki:
 - <https://groups.us.udel.edu/portal>
 - Log in using your **UDelNet ID** and **password**
 - Click on the **08J:SFI** tab





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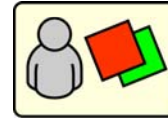
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A Quick Poll

1. How many of you have used a wiki?

- I have used a wiki in the past. 
- I have never used a wiki. 



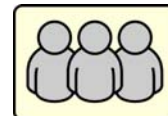
2. How many of you have used a wiki with your students?

- I have used a wiki with my students. 
- I never used a wiki with my students. 

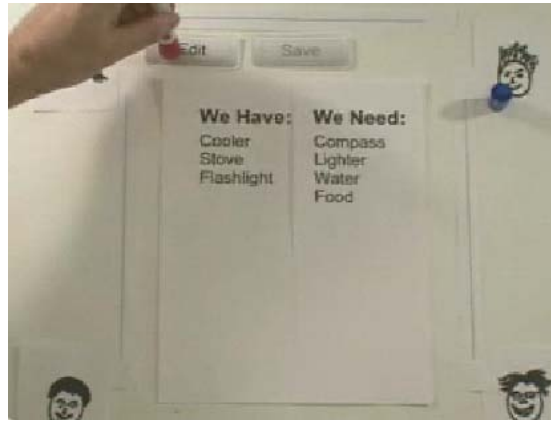


Activity 1

In teams, try to come up with a definition of what a wiki is. Write it down on your team's wiki space.



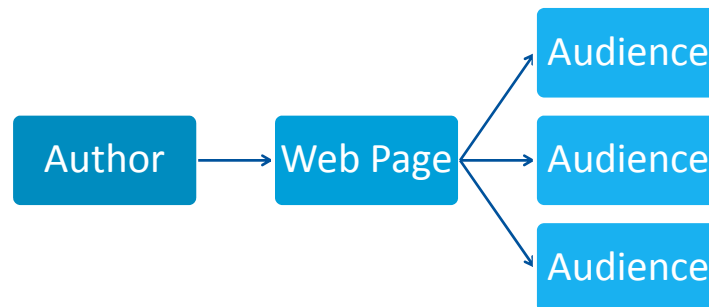
A Wiki Demonstration Video



<http://www.articulate.com/community/blogdemo/web2/engage.html>



A Web Page



Reference: Grenier (2007)



A Wiki Page

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A (Purist) Wiki Definition


References: Barton (2004), Lamb (2004), Turnbull (2004), and Shirky (2003).

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Beyond A Purist Definition




PURE WIKI




HYBRID WIKI

Anonymous	↔	Users and changes are tracked
Content is public domain	↔	Copyright and Creative Commons
Simplified wiki markup language	↔	WYSIWYG editor
Textual content only	↔	Embedded images/videos/applications
Unstructured	↔	Template-driven/Workflow-driven
Consensus of its community	↔	Moderated by experts/Peer reviewed
Anyone can read and edit any page	↔	Permissions for users and pages
Collective workspaces	↔	Private/Team workspaces
Never finished	↔	Deadline-driven



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Using the Wiki Markup Language

HTML	Wiki Markup	Final Output
<code>Bold</code>	<code>__Bold__</code>	Bold
<pre> Item 1 Item 2 </pre>	<pre>* Item 1 * Item 2</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item 1 • Item 2


Wiki Markup
Language is a
Simplified HTML

MOST COMMON MARKUP NOTATION BY THE SAHAI WIKI TOOL





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Adding Resources

Resources

Location: My Workspace Resources

Copy | Remove | Move

	<input type="checkbox"/>	Title	Access
	<input type="checkbox"/>	My Workspace	Add Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>		Sakai_s_Timeline_08.xls	
<input type="checkbox"/>		Test page ©	

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- Upload Files
- Create Folders
- Add Web Links (URLs)
- Add Citation List
- Create HTML Page
- Create Text Document

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Setting Permissions

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<input type="checkbox"/>		Test page ©	Copy Review Details Viewed New Version

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Availability and Access
Choose who can see this item.

Only members of this site can see this file.

This file is publicly viewable.

Resources can be scheduled to be visible between certain dates only. Site administrators will always be able

Show this item

From

Date: JAN 17 2008 Time: 2 00 pm

Until

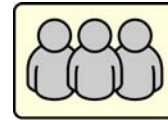
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Activity 2

On your team's wiki page, try to come up with as much differences and similarities between wikis and other tools. Add tools to the list if necessary.







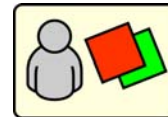
Wikis Vs. Other Tools

- What are wikis good for?



The Value of Information

- What value does the information in a wiki has?
 - High value 
 - Low value 
- What about Wikipedia?
 - High value 
 - Low value 



Some Examples and Job Aids

- My Wiki Report web page:
 - Some faculty experiences
 - Wikis in Higher Education Report
 - <http://udel.edu/~mathieu/wiki/>
- The STOLEN Principle
 - http://www.a6training.co.uk/resources_Social_Software.php



Some Recommendations

- Instructional Strategy
- Define Control and Ownership
- Define Individual and Group Work
- Use Templates
- Get Familiar with the Markup Language
- Use a Wiki Charter
- A Wiki is Not the End
- Define Your Grading Strategy



Wiki Gardening

- By nature, a wiki is messy.
- Usability issues may occur.



Why use wikis?

- They promote ACTIVE LEARNING!
 - Increased motivation
 - Deeper and longer lasting learning
- They help develop 21st century skills:
 - Read/Write web
 - Collaboration/Teamwork



Questions, Comments, Story to Share?

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- Up Next: John Hall on Wikis in Sakai

