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# Working with Wikipedia

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# Some important policies (1)

## COI: Conflict of Interest

- "Adding material that appears to promote the interests or visibility of an article's author, its author's family members, employer, associates, or their business or personal interests, places the author in a conflict of interest."
- "Editors with COIs are strongly encouraged to declare their interests, both on their user pages and on the talk page of any article they edit, particularly if those edits may be contested"

## SPA: Single Purpose Account

- Frowned upon. Not a good idea to be an SPA
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# Some important policies (2)

## RS: Reliable Sources

- "Articles should rely on reliable, third-party, published sources with a reputation for fact-checking and accuracy."
- Scholarly works or reputable news organisations usually.
- Summarising good sources is what WP is all about.
- SPS: Self-Published Sources are almost never RS

## N: Notability

- "If a **topic** has received significant coverage in reliable sources that are independent of the subject..."
  - E.g. Xenu
  - Having a web site doesn't itself make something notable.
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# Incoming!

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# Gadgets

## My preferences

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Below is a list of custom features you may enable for your account. These [gadgets](#) require JavaScript to be enabled in your browser. Please note that these tools are not part of the core MediaWiki software, and are generally developed and maintained by users on Wikipedia.

### Browsing gadgets

- [Navigation popups](#), article previews and editing functions popup when hovering over links

### Editing gadgets

- [Friendly](#), a set of tools for [Firefox](#), [Safari](#), and [Opera](#) that automates some of Wikipedia's more friendly, collaboration oriented tasks, such as welcoming new users.
- [HotCat](#), easily add / remove / change a category on a page, with name suggestion [\[example\]](#)
- [refTools](#), adds a "cite" button to the editing toolbar for quick and easy addition of commonly used citation templates.
- [Twinkle](#), a set of tools for [Firefox](#), [Safari](#), and [Opera](#) that automates common tasks such as reporting vandalism, warning vandals, and requesting deletion.
- [wikEd](#), a full-featured integrated text editor for [Firefox](#), [Safari](#), and [Google Chrome](#). Please read the [help page](#) for usage instructions.

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# Improving Wikipedia

- Undo vandalism wherever you find it (use your Watchlist)
  - Start with [Education stubs](#) (a "stub" is an article with hardly any content). There are 663 of them at the time of writing.
  - Improve the article by putting in summaries of RSs.
  - Justify anything that might be controversial beforehand on the article's Talk page
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# Don't forget the rest of Wikimedia

- [Wikimedia Commons](#)
  - Wikiversity (e.g. [Economic Classroom Experiments](#) - featured learning resource!)
  - [Wikiquote](#)
  - [Wiktionary](#)
  - [Wikibooks](#)
  - etc.
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# Now go and have fun

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_unusual\\_topics](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_unusual_topics)

Note some are marked as Featured Articles!

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