

**Definition:**

**A web page that multiple people can edit.**

* Encourages classroom cooperation and teambuilding
* Available anytime anywhere with a computer + Internet
* Increases student involvement
* Showcases student work online
* Motivates students to put their best work online for an audience to read

**Wiki Decisions**

**What is the purpose of your wiki?** (posting information? student collaboration? intro to new material?)

**Who will be able to see the wiki?** (the public? students only? Students + parents?)

**How will you set up logins?** (one log-in for the class or individual students if you want a record of who made changes?)

**Who will be able to join the wiki?** (students only? parents? invited guests? the public?)

**Who will be able to edit the wiki?** (the public? students only? vary by section?)

**What parts of the wiki will you “protect”?** (lock from changes)

**Who will moderate the wiki for appropriateness, etc?**

**Who will have the ability to reset changes?**

**Will you, as the teacher, be notified of all changes?**

* Please, grant me the serenity to accept the pages I cannot edit,

The courage to edit the pages I can,

And the wisdom to know the difference.

—The Wiki Prayer

MCj04059720000[1]**Wiki Uses**

* **Collaborative Projects** Students can work together to complete projects – in & out of school.
* **Demonstrate Knowledge** Each student can show what they know – via text, images, video, audio.
* **Online Resources** An easy to access page with a collection of dynamic Internet resources which students can contribute to.
* **Classroom Webpage** Everyday information for students and parents.
* **Filing Cabinet** Store files, images, videos, documents in a private, teacher-controlled area of the classroom wiki.

**What’s the educational value?**

* A wiki presents a collaborative problem solving exercise.
* A wiki can be written to by all the participants equally.
* Anyone is able to change any page: there is no official editor.
* A wiki stimulates writing.
* A wiki can ease students into writing for a wider audience.



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| **MCj04413220000[1]Elementary Wiki Examples** | |
| **Kindergarten** http://larsonk.pbworks.com  **1st Grade Parent communication** [http://leciashockley.cmswiki.wikispaces.net/](http://leciashockley.cmswiki.wikispaces.net/home)  **2nd Grade** http://willardswriters.wicomico.wikispaces.net  **3rd Grade** http://grade3responds.pbworks.com  **4th Grade** http://mastrianascience.wikispaces.com  **5th Grade** http://jabernethy.wikispaces.com  **6th Grade** http://6techtigers.wikispaces.com/  **Greetings from the World Project**  http://greetingsfromtheworld.wikispaces.com/ | **Terry the Tennis Ball** http://terrythetennisball.wikispaces.com  **All About Animals** http://allaboutanimals.wikispaces.com  **Presidents Timeline** http://timelineofpresidents.wikispaces.com  **Monster Makers** http://smithmonsters.wikispaces.com  **Art** http://art4cast.wikispaces.com  **Food Favorites Graph** http://favouritesgraph.wikispaces.com  **1000 Names**  http://1000names.wikispaces.com/home |

MCj03341120000[1]**Wiki-ing in the Classroom:**

* Collaborative book reviews or author studies
* FAQ page on your current unit topic. Students post KWL entries, questions & answers as they find them.
* Math wiki – pictures of shapes, story problems, examples of fractions
* Embed videos, links to websites, rubrics, documents, podcasts on current unit
* Student pages can become e-portfolios of work samples.
* Students work together to create a glossary of unit terms e.g. math vocab
* A collaborative project with students from another state/country e.g. a day in the life of a Michigan/Texas/Idaho student
* Create a Flat Stanley page that your class and the FS recipients can track the adventure of their FS.
* A continuing story – anyone can add to it at any time
* A virtual tour of your school or community
* A collection of nutritious meal suggestions
* A class encyclopedia on a special topic e.g. planets, animals, state history
* Travel brochure pages that contain research on, countries, states, biomes

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| http://pbworks.com/education Basic classroom wiki is free | http://www.wikispaces.com/content/teacher/ | |
| http://www.teachersfirst.com/content/wiki  Stupendous intro to wikis from TeachersFirst | | |
|  | | * **http://pbworks.com/education** Collaborative online work space |
| MCj04412820000[1]**Set up:**  1. **Register** with PBWorks at **https://plans.pbworks.com/signup/edubasic20**  2. Fill in the form. Choose something simple (all lowercase) for your address – you will not be able to change this later.  3. Check your email for the confirmation.  4. **Log in**. Choose your security setting and editing options (you can change later) and **Accept the Terms of Service**. Click **Take me to my wiki**.  5. Click on **Settings**.  a. **About This Workspace**: Change the title of your wiki (not the web address)  b. **Colors**: Choose a color scheme  c. **Users**: Click on **create accounts for your students**. Type in how many students you have in your class (you may want to add a 2-3 for ‘guests’). **Permission level** should be **Writer**. **Continue**. Type in Usernames & Passwords or use PBWorks suggestions. **Continue**. Check names & passwords. Click **Create accounts**. Click **Print account list**. You’ll also get a listing in an email.  d. **Workspace Security**: Decide who can view and who can edit, and if others outside of you classroom can request access to view or edit e.g. parents. **Save**.  e. Uncheck **Enable email notifications**.  Remember – you can always click **Settings** and make changes here. **SAVE**!  MCj04326420000[1]**Wiki Tips:**   * Plan pages before you create. Make sure they can be located intuitively. * Students should use their own log in to make changes. This enables YOU to track their work. * Students should complete a graphic organizer and 1st draft before publishing work on a wiki. * Plan on actively moderating pages that students can edit. You can set up email notifications: Click on **account** (upper right corner). Click the **Home** tab. Check or uncheck **Enable Notifications**. Under **Preferences**, decide how often you want email notifications. Click **Submit**. | | |
| MCj04326420000[1]**What you get:**   * Access levels: Administrator (you, the Creator), Editors, Writers, Readers * Create & edit pages, folders, upload files, page comments. * Add images, videos, tables, Google gadgets, html/javascript tools e.g. Voki * Ability to revert pages & files to previous versions. | | |



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| Log in to http://pbworks.com/ | | |
| 1.Create pages & folders | Create a folder: Click **Pages & File**s.  Click **New** and **Create a Folder**.  Type in a folder name.    Hit **Enter**. Click **add** to create another. | Create a new page: Click **Create a page**.    Name the page. Click on **more options**.    Select a folder and click **Create page**. |
| 2. Create a link | Click on **Edit**. You’ll see the **Editing toolbar**.  Add text – just like your word processing software. | Add a link:  **Highlight** a word or phrase.  Click on the **Add Link** icon  Click on **Browse Pages & Files**    Choose what you want to link to.  Fill in rest of form & click **OK**. |
| 3. Plugins | Add a gadget:  Click on **Insert**. | |
| Note: If you have an embed code, choose HTML/JavaScript & paste the code. | |



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| 1.Create pages | Sign into <http://www.wikispaces.com/content/teacher>  Delete the default words.  Type in your Home Page greeting.  Click the **Save** button. | Create a new page: Click the + next to **Pages and Files**.    Name the page. Click on **Create**. |
| 2. Link to a web page | Click on **Edit**.  You’ll see the **Editing toolbar**.  Add text – just like your word processing software. | Add a link:  **Highlight** a word or phrase.    Click on the hyperlink icon    Choose what you want to link to. Fill in rest of form. Click **Add Link**. |
| 3. Plugins | Add a widget:   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | Note: If you have an embed code, choose **Other HTML** & paste the code. |   Click on the **Widget icon**. | |