



OnLine Learning





Why Online Learning?

- Independent
- Self-Directed
- Student- Centred
- Engaging
- Anytime, Anywhere





Ways and Means...

Wikis and Moots





Wikis

A Wiki is a Collaborative Website which allows Content Development and encourages Collaborative Learning. It is ideal for Group Projects . Wikis encourage participation and communication.



Wikis



A wiki is typically a web application, which allows collaborative modification, extension, or deletion of its content and structure.

In a typical wiki, text is written using a built-in editor. You can join a Wiki or create one to share with others.

They can be Private or Public.

Wikipedia is a Public Wiki.



Wikispaces



Wikispaces is one of many Wiki Design Tools available.

It is free for Educators and Students.

5GB of space is allocated to a teacher setting up a Wiki in Wikispaces.

U3A has developed support material in Wikispaces



U3A Wikispaces Site



U3A set up a test site in 2014.

The following classes are currently using it.

- iPad
- Android
- Painting Practice Group (Rosemarie Schucraft)



Why do I need a Wiki?



- Do you want to make Documents available to students? You can make documents available for download on your Wiki.
- You can upload images e.g. Maps, Graphs etc that students can access from any Browser.
- Do you show YouTube Clips? You can embed these in your Wiki page and students can view them from home as well as in class.
- Do you want to share student work. You can make a page available for students to edit. They can add their stories, poems, ideas etc



Getting Started

Go to the Wikispaces Site and select Education.

A screenshot of the Wikispaces website homepage. The navigation bar at the top includes links for 'ABOUT', 'BLOG', 'CONTACT', and a 'SIGN IN' button. The main heading reads 'The world's best Wiki platform' with the subtext 'To start select the type of wiki you will create'. Two cardboard boxes are shown, each divided into four quadrants with different icons. The left box is labeled 'Education' and contains icons for a globe, a leaf, a flask, and a book. The right box is labeled 'Everyone Else' and contains icons for a robot, an airplane, a fork and knife, and a Pac-Man character. Below each box is a brief description of the user group it serves.

ABOUT BLOG Wikispaces CONTACT SIGN IN

The world's best Wiki platform

To start select the type of wiki you will create

Education

For anyone in education including teachers, students, parents, librarians, schools, and universities. Featuring Wikispaces Classroom and Wikispaces Campus.

Everyone Else

For businesses, non-profits, government, community groups, individuals, and everyone else not in education.



Setting up as a User

Fill in the appropriate information.



ABOUT BLOG Wikispaces CONTACT SIGN IN

Wikispaces Classroom

Get your students excited about learning in a modern, easy-to-use environment with the web tools they know and love

Wikispaces Campus

If you're an administrator looking to provide wikis to an entire school, district, or university, you want [Wikispaces Campus](#).

TEACHERS STUDENTS

Create a free Classroom now!

Username

Email

Password

Create Classroom

Get your students excited about learning in a modern, easy-to-use environment with the web tools they know and love



Setting up your first Wiki



Complete the form . Make sure you tick for Educational use.

Make a New Wiki

Wiki Name .wikispaces.com

Choose a name between 3 and 32 characters long.

Please fill in the following information so we can better understand how you are using Wikispaces Classroom. This information will not be shared with anyone.

United States

School

Begin typing the school's name. If not listed you can instead type the full name.

Course

The subject being taught (optional).

Grade

The grade level being taught (optional). Choose the best match or add your own.

Educational Use

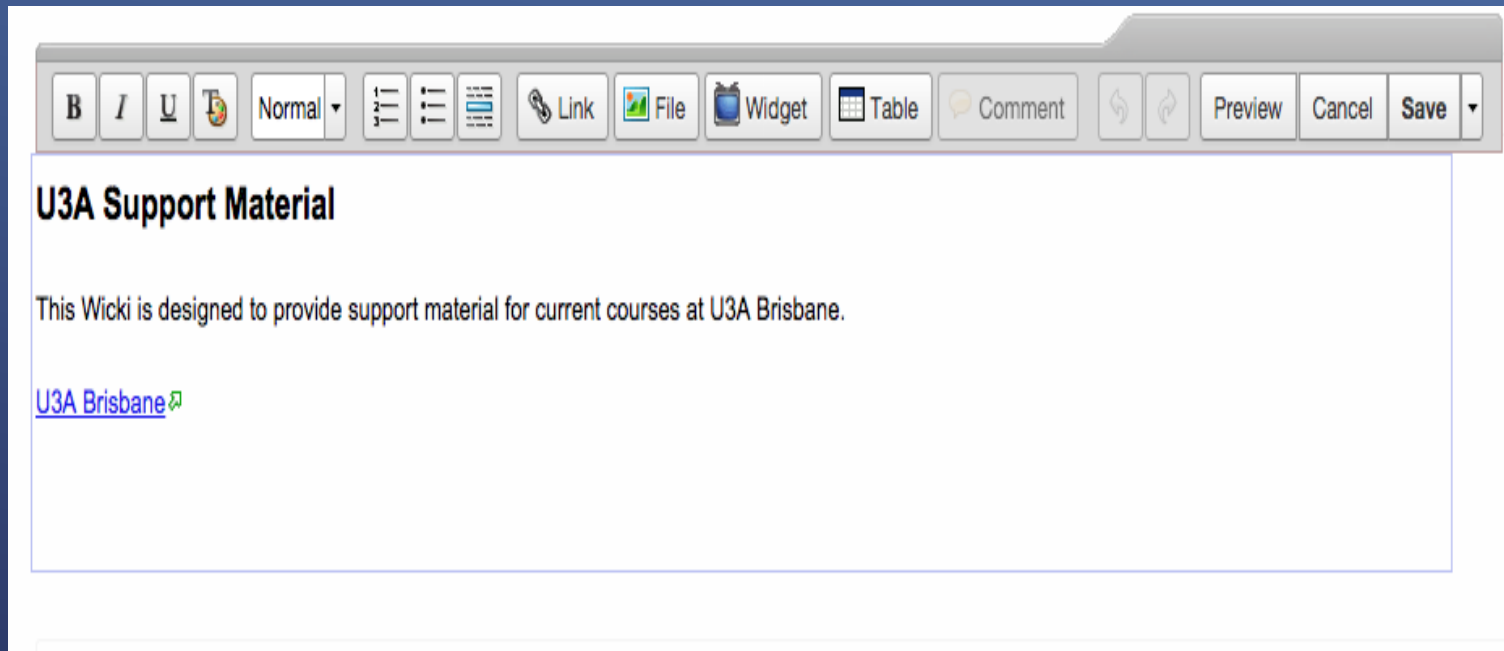
I certify this wiki will be used for education.
We may contact you via email to verify use.



Editing Pages



Select Edit at the top of your page. Then your editor will open and is similar to a simple word processor.



Adding Users



Students must become a member of Wikispaces and then join a particular Wiki.

Students can be uploaded by the Tutor in bulk but each student will have to confirm their email.

They can be invited to join individually or in bulk.

Students can be a member of a number of Wikis. They can ask to join a new Wiki if they find a private wiki and wish to contribute to it.





Remember that there are a lot of other resources for Wikispaces. It has been around a long time.

Check Google and YouTube





What other online learning is available?





Massive Open Online Courses



There are many MOOCs available. Here are some of them.



Popular Moocs



[Coursera - Free Courses from Top Universities.](#)

[Edx – Free Courses from Top Universities including UQ](#)

[Khan Academy – You can learn anything](#)

[iTunes U](#)

