WORDPRESS
Creating a Blog

Getting Started

- Go to wordpress.com
- Click **Create Website**
    1. Enter a name for your site, then click **Create Your Site and Continue**
    2. Setup your **login information**, then click Next Step
    3. To create a **free** website, click **No Thanks** (at the bottom)
    4. Choose a **theme** (you can switch to a different theme later)
    5. Click the **Select Free** button
    6. Start your first **post**!

Editing your *About* page (which is part of the original template and already published)

- Click **Pages** at the left
- Click **About**
- Edit the content, you may also change the title of the page
- Click **Update** to save changes
- Option: if you do not want an *About* page, select Move to Trash

Deciding Whether to Post to Your Blog or Create a Web Page
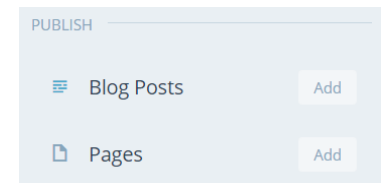
Blogs

- Blog posts focus visitors on recently published content
- Visitors to a blog must search for older content
- Blogging is useful when maintaining the order in which content is published is important, such as for a daily journal or posting news of weekly progress or assignments
- Blog posts frequently allow visitors to post comments following each post

Web Pages

- Web page content is organized according to the plan of the designer
- A clear organizational structure leads visitors to information
- Web pages are recommended for content grouped by topics
- Web page content is easily accessible to visitors at any time

Adding New Material

- Under My Site see the Publish section and select the Add button next to Blog Posts or Pages
- Click ⧉ Add Media above the toolbar to attach a file from your computer

Web Address for Your WordPress Site

- Under My Site click **View Site**
- Copy the URL from the address bar at the top of the browser, it will follow the format ***yoursitename*.wordpress.com**