

All About Wordpress & Why You Should Have One!

 Wordpress is a platform used by many bloggers. It's a way to have a free online presence and present your hard work to future employers. In this guide, you will learn how to sign-up for Wordpress and basic instructions on navigating and building your Wordpress site.

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- You'll want to sign up at <u>http://wordpress.com/</u>. Here you will be able to create your free site. It's best to use your real name as your Wordpress address. This prevents any confusion should your future employer stumble upon your site.
- 3) Once you've signed up, you'll need to choose a theme. This can be done under **Appearances > Themes** in your **Dashboard**.



4) This part is up to you. There are dozens of free themes to choose from.



5) After choosing your theme, it's time to get started adding content to your site. To add a page to your Wordpress site, go to **Pages** and **Add New**. This will allow you to create a new page.

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6) To customize your Menu, head over to **Menus** and adjust your Menu Structure. You may need to set this as your **Primary Menu** as shown at the bottom of this screenshot.

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- 7) CONTINUE READING IF YOU WISH TO MAKE/HOST YOUR OWN WORDPRESS WITHOUT ADS: You may have seen the option early on when you signed up to have your own professional .COM name. This is very helpful if you plan on branding yourself on the web. It will also look professional to your future employers. Wordpress has an option to sign-up for \$99/yr, BUT you can do that yourself for much cheaper. All you need is a domain and web hosting.
- There are thousands of providers for domains and web hosting, but I highly recommend NameCheap. They have very competitive rates and are easy to use.
- 9) Head over to <u>http://namecheap.com/</u>. Here you'll be able to sign-up for a domain (.COM name) and web hosting (a must have if you want a place to store your sites content to broadcast to the world).
- 10) There are several offers for hosting. Since you are only looking to host 1 domain name, the \$3.98/mo **Shared Hosting** plan will be suitable.



Namecheap shared hosting is secure, fast and reliable. We know your website needs to be fast-loading and always accessible, and we work hard to provide a place where your site can flourish.

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11) Make sure you use the domain you just purchased through Namecheap to set-up your web hosting account.

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Please sign in to your account to select your domain name.
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- 12) From here you will be sent an email with instructions on how to login to your web hosting account.
- 13) Most web hosts use a control panel called cPanel. cPanel is an easy to use control panel that will help you set-up Wordpress, Email Accounts, and various other scripts. This is cPanel:

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14) This is the bottom half of cPanel. I've scrolled down to show you the Wordpress script installer. This is what you will click on to install your own Wordpress script for your domain.

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- 15) Click the **Install** tab to install Wordpress.
- 16) From here you'll set-up your Wordpress. Make sure you have the protocol set to <u>http://www</u>. The database name is up to you. No one will see that name. Leave the Table Prefix as is. When you're finished continue with the installation.

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17) To login to Wordpress go to http://www.yourdomain.com**/wp-admin/**. Your Wordpress will now function like the free Wordpress platform without the ads.