This page demonstrates the absolute basic Wiki editing skills. It is not intended to be an exhaustive guide. It can be printed out and left in front of the computer for a quick reference. If more extensive editing information is required, it can be found at http://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Help:Editing To edit pages, you need a basic understanding of the Wiki markup language. It is not a "What You See Is What You Get" graphical application like Dreamweaver. You type text, add in a few markup symbols to indicate things like "this is bold" and "this is a link to another page," then preview and save your work. The Wiki markup language follows:

Plain Text

If you just want plain text, type it into the editor. You will need to double-space between paragraphs.

Headings

To make a heading, wrap a line of text in two or more equal signs. The more equal signs, the more deeply nested the heading will be. For example:

== This is a heading ==	This is a heading
Blah, blah, this is the text under the heading. === This is a sub-heading ===	Blah, blah, this is the text under the heading.
Blah, blah, this is more text, this time under the sub-	This is a sub-heading
heading	Blah, blah, this is more text, this time under the sub-heading

Formatting

It is easiest to use the toolbar for formatting. Highlight the text you want to format and then click the "B" or "I" toolbar icons to make it bold or italic. To do it manually, these are the rules:

Wrap in 3 apostrophes for bold: '''this text is bold'''
Wrap in 2 apostrophes for italic: ''this text is italic''
Combine: ''''This is bold and italic''''

Lists

For a bulleted list, start the line with a star:	First item
* First item * Second item	 Second item
* Third item	 Third item
For a list with sub-items, use multiple stars to indicate indenting: * First item ** Item under first item ** Another item under first item * Second item ** Yet another sub-item * Third item	 First item Item under first item Another item under first item Second item Yet another sub-item Third item

Internal Links

Wrap some text in double square brackets to link to another page on the wiki. The page does not even need to exist yet! When someone clicks a nonexistent link, they will be prompted to create the page's content. This is a useful way to create new pages.

You can use the [[Sandbox]] article to experiment.	You can use the Sandbox article to experiment.

External Links

Type/paste in a URL and it will be interpreted as a link: Go to http://google.com to search.	Go to http://google.com & to search.
Wrap in square brackets and append link text to hide a raw or ugly URL: Go to [http://google.com the Google search engine] to search.	Go to the Google search engine ☑ to search.

Monospace (inline code, input, output, etc.)

For just a few lines, make the first character in the line a space (i.e. indent by a space): #!/bin/sh cd /tmp && rm -f \$1 && tftp -g -r \$1 \$SERVER	#!/bin/sh cd /tmp && rm -f \$1 && tftp -g -r \$1 \$SERVER
For multiple lines, just wrap it all in <pre>:</pre> : <pre>#!/bin/sh cd /tmp && rm -f \$1 && tftp -g -r \$1 \$SERVER </pre>	#!/bin/sh cd /tmp && rm -f \$1 && tftp -g -r \$1 \$SERVER