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# **Category:Training**

# Pages in category "Training"

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# Categories

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#### Characteristics

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- **Multiple categories per page**: A page can be assigned to several categories.
- Main categories: Categories can be organized under main categories.
- Independent of namespaces: Categories are not contained in namespaces, but are shared wiki-wide.

#### Create and assign categories

To create a category or assign a page to an existing category, there are multiple options:

- 1. In the title area (view mode)
- 2. Via the options menu in the visual editor (visual editing mode)
- 3. With Wikitext (source editing mode)
- 4. In the "Page Information" fyout of the quality management tools

#### In the title section of the page

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# With Visual Editor

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# Related info

- Category Manager
- https://www.mediawiki.org/wiki/Help:Categories

# Manual:Namespace

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<namespace>:Page title

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#### Characteristics of a namespace

- **Rights management** : Each namespace can contain its own user rights/roles assignments. However, we recommend flat user hierarchies for wikis.
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- **One namespace per page** : The same page name in a different namespace creates a new page.
- Special namespaces:
  - $^{\odot}$  Main (Pages) No namespace prefix in page titles
  - Special pages (Special)
  - Images (File)
  - <sup>O</sup> Documents (Media)
  - Discussions (Talk)

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#### **BlueSpice standard namespaces**

BlueSpice uses, among others, the 15 standard and the two so-called pseudo namespaces from MediaWiki:

ID	Namespace	Function
	Media	Pseudo-namespace for uploaded images and files. Will be replaced by path of the files.
	special	Pseudo-namespace for special pages.
0	(pages)	These are given without a prefix.
1	Talk	talk page. Is created in addition to each article (also in the following namespaces) to speak about its contents. Additional tab (+).
2	User	User page. Will be created for every logged in user.
3	User talk	Cf. talk
4	[Wiki-Name]	Information about the wiki or the current project. Here: BlueSpice.
5	[Wiki-Name] _Talk	Cf. talk
6	Image	Description of a picture and other files. Is automatically supplemented with version information and information about the occurrence of the file
7	File_Talk	Cf. talk
8	MediaWiki	system messages. A complete list can be found under Special: AllMessages. Can only be changed by registered users.
9	MediaWiki_Talk	Cf. talk
10	Template	Templates can be integrated into other pages.
11	Template_talk	Cf. talk
12	Help	Help pages describe how to perform actions in the wiki. No clear separation from the [wiki name] namespace.

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13	Help_talk	Cf. talk
14	Category	Pages can be assigned to categories, which are then accessible in this namespace.
15	Category_talk	Cf. talk

**Standard namespace:** A page is assigned to the "Main" namespace, as long as no other namespace is specified.

**Pseudo namespaces:** The two pseudo namespaces (Media, Special) are used like normal namespaces, but you cannot edit them or add pages to them.

Most pages in the namespaces are created automatically:

- Special pages are generated by the system during installation.
- Media and image pages are created during file uplad.
- User pages are created whenever a user acts on the wiki.
- Discussion pages are also created with the corresponding pages.

This leaves only the default namespaces *(Main)*, *[wiki name]*, *Template*, *Help* and *Category* namespaces where pages can be freely created.

**Note:** In the default MediaWiki, the names of these areas are "hard-coded". This means that they have been set in the source code of the MediaWiki and cannot be changed by users.

#### Accessing pages in a namespace

To access or create a page in a specific namespace, its name is simply placed in front of the page title and separated by a colon:

#### [[Setup:Installation|]]

In the example, the pipe symbol (straight line) was also added. It has the effect that the namespace won't be displayed for the link label.

If you provide a namespace that is not known to the wiki, the page is created in the standard namespace Main. The portion of the reference specified as the namespace is then added to the title of the item instead and is not recognized as a namespace label.

#### Creating a new namespace

You can create additional namespaces by using the Namespace manager under Global actions > Management > Namespace manager. The menu item "Category manager" loads the page Special:NamespaceManager.



#### Organizing content without namespaces

If you simply want to group pages in your wiki without the need for controlling access rights, you can use the syntax of the namespaces to **simulate a namespace in the namespace Main**. Simply prefix the pages that belong to a group with a name and a colon. If no namespace with this name exists, the prefix simply becomes part of the page name.

That way, it is possible to use pages with the same name in the main namespace and thus let different groups work on content "sets". Since these own "namespace" prefixes are part of the page name, you can now display all pages in a simulated namespace by searching for the prefix in the search field.

Since you can also organize pages with categories and subpages, you should start by planning how you would like to organize the content in your wiki.

After installing your wiki, you can visualize this with the BlueSpice draw.io Plugin directly in your wiki and discuss it with your team.

#### Viewing all pages of a namespace

You can view all pages in a namespace:

- 1. Go to the Special page "All Pages"
- 2. Leave the input field empty
- 3. Select a namespace from the Namespace drop-down menu
- 4. Click "Go"

# Related info

- Namespace CSS manager
- Namespace manager

# Manual:Quality management

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# The importance of content quality

For many companies, the quality of the information they produce and share is of great importance. At the same time, they want to capture all the knowledge of their employees without creating any unnecessary barriers.

In BlueSpice, many users can contribute their knowledge. Ideally, anyone can contribute information right away and specialists can then review and approve the content. This ensures that the quality of the content meets the standards of the company. You should always way the benefits and drawbacks of individual quality management features so that you don't create unnecessary roadblocks for users who are eager to contribute.

To access these features, you open the QM tools (with the checkbox icon) in the Page tools panel.



For quality assurance purposes, each content page has the following built-in tools:

- Page information
- Page assignments
- Reminder (BlueSpice pro)
- Expiry (BlueSpice pro)
- Review (BlueSpice pro)
- Acceptance (BlueSpice pro if FlaggedRevs is activated for the namespace)

# Page information

The page information gives you some very interesting statistics about the page. Based on this information, you can decide what quality management measures are necessary to improve the page.

The information that is listed on this page is:

- time of last edit and last editor
- number of views
- templates used on this page
- similar pages
- categories
- readers of this page
- authors of this page



# Page assignments

Page assignments are a quick way of giving one or more users informal responsibility and ownership of a page. They are very similar to a watchlist. A user can add a page to their watchlist themselves, but assignments are made by other users.

Page assignments do not change the behavior of the page or grant special rights on a page. For example, the page does not get locked for editing when it is assigned to another user. It is rather a simple mechanism to have users "take a look" at a page. If the feature *Read confirmation* is activated for a namespace, assigned users have to confirm with a checkbox on the page that they have read the page.

#### Characteristics

- **Notifications** are sent to assigned users when their page assignment is changed. (This can be deactivated in the user preferences.)
- **Transparency:** Assigned users are listed in the QM tools panel of the page
- Assignment management: ( Special:ManagePageAssignments )
- Quick access from the user profile menu
- **Read confirmation:** page shows a read confirmation checkbox for assigned users (optional)

#### More about page assignments

#### Reminder

A user can create a reminder for a page by selecting a reminder date and by adding an optional comment. Reminders can also be created for other users by administrators and are a quick and informal way of setting due dates for page-related tasks.

#### Characteristics

- The user with the reminder receives a notification. (This can be deactivated in the user preferences.)
- Users with reminders are listed on the reminders for the page in the QM tools.
- The page is listed on the Reminders special page under "Global actions" ( Special:Reminder ).
- The page is listed on the user's Reminders page, which is easy to access from the user profile menu.

#### Expiry

If a page contains content with a known lifecycle, the page can be set to expire on a particular date. On the expiration date, a watermark "Outdated" is added to the page if the corresponding option is set in the ConfigManager. In addition, a reminder can be set so that the user will receive a notification when the page expires. The expiration can be deleted from the page at any time.

#### Characteristics



- Watermark on page background and in PDF (can be configured)
- Management list: *Special:Expiry*
- **Reminder** possible
- **Duration:** Expiry can be removed at any time

#### Review

When a more formal review process is necessary, users can create a review workflow. The review workflow has an end date and is the only quality management tool that can lock the page for editing during the review phase. Each user casts a vote whether the page is acceptable or not.

The page is listed on the special page "Review" under "Global actions" (Special:Review) and on the reviewers' personal Review page.

#### Characteristics of the review feature

- One active review process per page
- Types: Sequential or parallel review
- Acceptance or rejection by participants
- Page is locked for editing (Exception: depending on the configuration, reviewers can get edit rights)
- Automatic restart possible
- **Revisions-based:** Entries in the version history
- Acceptance: can be combined with the Acceptance feature

#### Acceptance

If the pages in a namespace should have a published and a draft version, the setting FlaggedRevs needs to be activated for that namespace. This activates the *Acceptance* feature of the quality management tools.

All changes to a page are collected in a draft version until any user with review rights accepts the page. The pages in this namespace are in draft mode until a user with the right to publish content accepts the page.

There is a global option in the ConfigManager to define which user groups are allowed to read unpublished content. By default, all logged-in users can view drafts.

#### Characteristics of the acceptance feature

- **Revisions-based:** First draft, draft, accepted
- External files: "Freezes" embedded media and templates
- Automatic acceptance: Often the result of a review process
- Permissions: Read permissions can (cautiously) be limited



# Permissions overview

This permissions table shows which roles have the necessary right to perform different quality assurance actions. The name of the right that grants a certain permission is shown in parentheses:

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# **Related info**

- Working with drafts (Flagged revisions)
- The review workflow

# Manual:Subpage

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#### What is a subpage?

To structure wiki content, you can create subpages for a page. This is useful if you have a larger topic and you want to break this topic down into manageable chunks of information. For example, if you have a page about a car, you could have subpages about major car components such as Brakes and Transmission. Subpages can have subpages of their own.

Subpages are automatically displayed in the breadcrumb navigation of the page:

Setup: Installation Guide	System Preparation	n ▼ Windows ▶
		Linux
		Windows

#### Characteristics of a subpage

- **Syntax-based:** A slash in the page title creates a subpage (e.g., Installation Guide/System Preparation ).
- **Navigation:** A subpage creates navigation points (breadcrumb).
- Hierarchy: Enables "strongly associated" page hierarchies.
- Language versions: Management of language versions of a page.

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#### Creating a subpage

To create a subpage, it is simply appended to the page name with a slash without spaces. Subpages can in turn have subpages:

```
Installation Guide/System Preparation
Installation Guide/System Preparation/Windows
Installation Guide/System Preparation Windows/IIS
```

**Note:** Since MediaWiki interprets slashes as subpages, you should not use slashes in page names.



# Reasons for using subpages

Typical applications for subpages are:

- **To create modular pages:** For a larger topic, you can create a main page and link it to individual detail pages. The advantage is that the detail pages can then be specifically linked from other pages.
- **To maintain archives**: If the discussions on the user discussion page become too long, file them in a subpage.
- **To translate a page**: If the content of a page should be available in other languages. You can create a subpage in German for an English page, for example.
- To document a template: If you have a very complex template, you can document its functionality in subpages of the template.

# Creating a list of subpages

To list the subpages of the current page, add the following tag to the source text of the page:

{{Special:PrefixIndex/{{FULLPAGENAME}}/}}

Example:

To display the subpages of the page *VisualEditor* in the namespace Manual without showing the namespace or the main page name in the results and without including redirected pages, the syntax is:

{{Special:PrefixIndex/Manual:VisualEditor/ |hideredirects=1 |stripprefix=1}}

Output:

- Files
- Images
- Tables
- Tables/Examples
- Version comparison

The correct display of the subpages is only visible in read-mode after saving the page. The list is displayed automatically in a multi-column layout and cannot be adjusted.

For more flexibility in the output of subpages, you can work with the extension DPL 3 which is included in BlueSpice.



# **Related info**

- https://www.mediawiki.org/wiki/Help:Subpages
- Creating page lists

# Manual:Template

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#### What is a template?

A template is a type of reusable content that can be integrated into other pages of the wiki. It can be content-based (text template) or structure-based (layout template) or a combination of both.

A simple example is a notification box that looks identical on all pages, but contains different content on each page where it is used (layout template).



A template can also be used as the source for a page template.

#### Characteristics of a template

- allows inserting reusable content with a placeholder
- is usually located in the namespace "Template"
- can have parameters
- often contains logic
- used to maintain a "look and feel"

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# Creating and including a template

A new template is created like a regular page, but in the namespace **Template**.

**Example:** Simple template for a notification box

A template is then included in a page by putting the name of the template (i.e., the title of the template page without the namespace prefix "Template:") in two curly brackets: {{NotificationBox}}

**Note:** Template names are case-sensitive.



# Editing a template

Changes to a template affect all pages that include this template. Before existing templates are changed, it is recommended that you check which pages use the template. To find these pages, you can go to Page tools > Toolbox > What links here.

#### **Built-in variables**

Each MediaWiki has a number of built-in variables that are not pages in the "template:" namespace, but are still used as templates.

For example, the variable {{CURRENTTIME}} returns the the current UTC time.

#### Further notes

- The use of a template is basically a transclusion. It is also possible to use pages as templates that are not in the *Template* namespace. However, this is to be done wisely, since some functions require that the pages are in the template namespace.
- Templates can also be used to define the output of semantic query. For more information, go to Semantic MediaWiki. (This is an example where the pages must necessarily be in the template namespace.)
- The complete list of all pages of the wiki that are located in this namespace can be found on the page Special:Templates.

# **Related info**

• meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Help:Template

# 4.1 Categories

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- Category Manager
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ID	Namespace	Function
	Media	Pseudo-namespace for uploaded images and files. Will be replaced by path of the files.
	special	Pseudo-namespace for special pages.
0	(pages)	These are given without a prefix.
1	Talk	talk page. Is created in addition to each article (also in the following namespaces) to speak about its contents. Additional tab (+).
2	User	User page. Will be created for every logged in user.
3	User talk	Cf. talk
4	[Wiki-Name]	Information about the wiki or the current project. Here: BlueSpice.
5	[Wiki-Name] _Talk	Cf. talk
6	Image	Description of a picture and other files. Is automatically supplemented with version information and information about the occurrence of the file
7	File_Talk	Cf. talk
8	MediaWiki	system messages. A complete list can be found under Special: AllMessages. Can only be changed by registered users.
9	MediaWiki_Talk	Cf. talk
10	Template	Templates can be integrated into other pages.
11	Template_talk	Cf. talk
12	Help	Help pages describe how to perform actions in the wiki. No clear separation from the [wiki name] namespace.

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ID	Namespace	Function
13	Help_talk	Cf. talk
14	Category	Pages can be assigned to categories, which are then accessible in this namespace.
15	Category_talk	Cf. talk

**Standard namespace:** A page is assigned to the "Main" namespace, as long as no other namespace is specified.

**Pseudo namespaces:** The two pseudo namespaces (Media, Special) are used like normal namespaces, but you cannot edit them or add pages to them.

Most pages in the namespaces are created automatically:

- Special pages are generated by the system during installation.
- Media and image pages are created during file uplad.
- User pages are created whenever a user acts on the wiki.
- Discussion pages are also created with the corresponding pages.

This leaves only the default namespaces *(Main)*, *[wiki name]*, *Template*, *Help* and *Category* namespaces where pages can be freely created.

**Note:** In the default MediaWiki, the names of these areas are "hard-coded". This means that they have been set in the source code of the MediaWiki and cannot be changed by users.

#### Accessing pages in a namespace

To access or create a page in a specific namespace, its name is simply placed in front of the page title and separated by a colon:

#### [[Setup:Installation|]]

In the example, the pipe symbol (straight line) was also added. It has the effect that the namespace won't be displayed for the link label.

If you provide a namespace that is not known to the wiki, the page is created in the standard namespace Main. The portion of the reference specified as the namespace is then added to the title of the item instead and is not recognized as a namespace label.

#### Creating a new namespace

You can create additional namespaces by using the Namespace manager under Global actions > Management > Namespace manager. The menu item "Category manager" loads the page Special:NamespaceManager.



#### Organizing content without namespaces

If you simply want to group pages in your wiki without the need for controlling access rights, you can use the syntax of the namespaces to **simulate a namespace in the namespace Main**. Simply prefix the pages that belong to a group with a name and a colon. If no namespace with this name exists, the prefix simply becomes part of the page name.

That way, it is possible to use pages with the same name in the main namespace and thus let different groups work on content "sets". Since these own "namespace" prefixes are part of the page name, you can now display all pages in a simulated namespace by searching for the prefix in the search field.

Since you can also organize pages with categories and subpages, you should start by planning how you would like to organize the content in your wiki.

After installing your wiki, you can visualize this with the BlueSpice draw.io Plugin directly in your wiki and discuss it with your team.

#### Viewing all pages of a namespace

You can view all pages in a namespace:

- 1. Go to the Special page "All Pages"
- 2. Leave the input field empty
- 3. Select a namespace from the Namespace drop-down menu
- 4. Click "Go"

# Related info

- Namespace CSS manager
- Namespace manager

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# The importance of content quality

For many companies, the quality of the information they produce and share is of great importance. At the same time, they want to capture all the knowledge of their employees without creating any unnecessary barriers.

In BlueSpice, many users can contribute their knowledge. Ideally, anyone can contribute information right away and specialists can then review and approve the content. This ensures that the quality of the content meets the standards of the company. You should always way the benefits and drawbacks of individual quality management features so that you don't create unnecessary roadblocks for users who are eager to contribute.

To access these features, you open the QM tools (with the checkbox icon) in the Page tools panel.



For quality assurance purposes, each content page has the following built-in tools:

- Page information
- Page assignments
- Reminder (BlueSpice pro)
- Expiry (BlueSpice pro)
- Review (BlueSpice pro)
- Acceptance (BlueSpice pro if FlaggedRevs is activated for the namespace)

# Page information

The page information gives you some very interesting statistics about the page. Based on this information, you can decide what quality management measures are necessary to improve the page.

The information that is listed on this page is:

- time of last edit and last editor
- number of views
- templates used on this page
- similar pages
- categories
- readers of this page
- authors of this page



# Page assignments

Page assignments are a quick way of giving one or more users informal responsibility and ownership of a page. They are very similar to a watchlist. A user can add a page to their watchlist themselves, but assignments are made by other users.

Page assignments do not change the behavior of the page or grant special rights on a page. For example, the page does not get locked for editing when it is assigned to another user. It is rather a simple mechanism to have users "take a look" at a page. If the feature *Read confirmation* is activated for a namespace, assigned users have to confirm with a checkbox on the page that they have read the page.

#### Characteristics

- **Notifications** are sent to assigned users when their page assignment is changed. (This can be deactivated in the user preferences.)
- **Transparency:** Assigned users are listed in the QM tools panel of the page
- Assignment management: ( Special:ManagePageAssignments )
- Quick access from the user profile menu
- **Read confirmation:** page shows a read confirmation checkbox for assigned users (optional)

#### More about page assignments

#### Reminder

A user can create a reminder for a page by selecting a reminder date and by adding an optional comment. Reminders can also be created for other users by administrators and are a quick and informal way of setting due dates for page-related tasks.

#### Characteristics

- The user with the reminder receives a notification. (This can be deactivated in the user preferences.)
- Users with reminders are listed on the reminders for the page in the QM tools.
- The page is listed on the Reminders special page under "Global actions" ( Special:Reminder ).
- The page is listed on the user's Reminders page, which is easy to access from the user profile menu.

#### Expiry

If a page contains content with a known lifecycle, the page can be set to expire on a particular date. On the expiration date, a watermark "Outdated" is added to the page if the corresponding option is set in the ConfigManager. In addition, a reminder can be set so that the user will receive a notification when the page expires. The expiration can be deleted from the page at any time.

#### Characteristics



- Watermark on page background and in PDF (can be configured)
- Management list: *Special:Expiry*
- **Reminder** possible
- **Duration:** Expiry can be removed at any time

#### Review

When a more formal review process is necessary, users can create a review workflow. The review workflow has an end date and is the only quality management tool that can lock the page for editing during the review phase. Each user casts a vote whether the page is acceptable or not.

The page is listed on the special page "Review" under "Global actions" (Special:Review) and on the reviewers' personal Review page.

#### Characteristics of the review feature

- One active review process per page
- Types: Sequential or parallel review
- Acceptance or rejection by participants
- Page is locked for editing (Exception: depending on the configuration, reviewers can get edit rights)
- Automatic restart possible
- **Revisions-based:** Entries in the version history
- Acceptance: can be combined with the Acceptance feature

#### Acceptance

If the pages in a namespace should have a published and a draft version, the setting FlaggedRevs needs to be activated for that namespace. This activates the *Acceptance* feature of the quality management tools.

All changes to a page are collected in a draft version until any user with review rights accepts the page. The pages in this namespace are in draft mode until a user with the right to publish content accepts the page.

There is a global option in the ConfigManager to define which user groups are allowed to read unpublished content. By default, all logged-in users can view drafts.

#### Characteristics of the acceptance feature

- **Revisions-based:** First draft, draft, accepted
- External files: "Freezes" embedded media and templates
- Automatic acceptance: Often the result of a review process
- Permissions: Read permissions can (cautiously) be limited



# Permissions overview

This permissions table shows which roles have the necessary right to perform different quality assurance actions. The name of the right that grants a certain permission is shown in parentheses:

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# Related info

- Working with drafts (Flagged revisions)
- The review workflow

# 4.2 UserManual:Subpage

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#### What is a subpage?

To structure wiki content, you can create subpages for a page. This is useful if you have a larger topic and you want to break this topic down into manageable chunks of information. For example, if you have a page about a car, you could have subpages about major car components such as Brakes and Transmission. Subpages can have subpages of their own.

Subpages are automatically displayed in the breadcrumb navigation of the page:

Setup: Installation Guide	System Preparation	n ▼ Windows ▶
		Linux
		Windows

#### Characteristics of a subpage

- **Syntax-based:** A slash in the page title creates a subpage (e.g., Installation Guide/System Preparation ).
- **Navigation:** A subpage creates navigation points (breadcrumb).
- Hierarchy: Enables "strongly associated" page hierarchies.
- Language versions: Management of language versions of a page.

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empty app.diagrams.net chart

#### Creating a subpage

To create a subpage, it is simply appended to the page name with a slash without spaces. Subpages can in turn have subpages:

```
Installation Guide/System Preparation
Installation Guide/System Preparation/Windows
Installation Guide/System Preparation Windows/IIS
```

**Note:** Since MediaWiki interprets slashes as subpages, you should not use slashes in page names.



# Reasons for using subpages

Typical applications for subpages are:

- **To create modular pages:** For a larger topic, you can create a main page and link it to individual detail pages. The advantage is that the detail pages can then be specifically linked from other pages.
- **To maintain archives**: If the discussions on the user discussion page become too long, file them in a subpage.
- **To translate a page**: If the content of a page should be available in other languages. You can create a subpage in German for an English page, for example.
- To document a template: If you have a very complex template, you can document its functionality in subpages of the template.

# Creating a list of subpages

To list the subpages of the current page, add the following tag to the source text of the page:

{{Special:PrefixIndex/{{FULLPAGENAME}}/}}

Example:

To display the subpages of the page *VisualEditor* in the namespace Manual without showing the namespace or the main page name in the results and without including redirected pages, the syntax is:

{{Special:PrefixIndex/Manual:VisualEditor/ |hideredirects=1 |stripprefix=1}}

Output:

- Files
- Images
- Tables
- Tables/Examples
- Version comparison

The correct display of the subpages is only visible in read-mode after saving the page. The list is displayed automatically in a multi-column layout and cannot be adjusted.

For more flexibility in the output of subpages, you can work with the extension DPL 3 which is included in BlueSpice.



# **Related info**

- https://www.mediawiki.org/wiki/Help:Subpages
- Creating page lists

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#### What is a template?

A template is a type of reusable content that can be integrated into other pages of the wiki. It can be content-based (text template) or structure-based (layout template) or a combination of both.

A simple example is a notification box that looks identical on all pages, but contains different content on each page where it is used (layout template).



A template can also be used as the source for a page template.

#### Characteristics of a template

- allows inserting reusable content with a placeholder
- is usually located in the namespace "Template"
- can have parameters
- often contains logic
- used to maintain a "look and feel"

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# Creating and including a template

A new template is created like a regular page, but in the namespace **Template**.

**Example:** Simple template for a notification box

A template is then included in a page by putting the name of the template (i.e., the title of the template page without the namespace prefix "Template:") in two curly brackets: {{NotificationBox}}

**Note:** Template names are case-sensitive.



# Editing a template

Changes to a template affect all pages that include this template. Before existing templates are changed, it is recommended that you check which pages use the template. To find these pages, you can go to Page tools > Toolbox > What links here.

#### **Built-in variables**

Each MediaWiki has a number of built-in variables that are not pages in the "template:" namespace, but are still used as templates.

For example, the variable  $\{ \{ CURRENTTIME \} \}$  returns the the current UTC time.

#### Further notes

- The use of a template is basically a transclusion. It is also possible to use pages as templates that are not in the *Template* namespace. However, this is to be done wisely, since some functions require that the pages are in the template namespace.
- Templates can also be used to define the output of semantic query. For more information, go to Semantic MediaWiki. (This is an example where the pages must necessarily be in the template namespace.)
- The complete list of all pages of the wiki that are located in this namespace can be found on the page Special:Templates.

# **Related info**

• meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Help:Template

# 3.3 UserManual:Wikitext

Wikitext is a simplified markup language that is used to format and structure text and other data.

While HTML is the most common markup language for web pages, Wikitext is used in wiki systems. Like HTML, it uses tags to mark parts of text or other data.

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Wikitext can be entered in source editing mode. When you are in visual editing mode, VisualEditor inserts Wikitext "behind the scenes". If VisualEditor doesn't format elements on a page correctly, you can always switch to source editing to correct the issues directly in Wikitext.

#### **Examples of Wikitext**

Here are some typical examples of Wikitext:

#### **Text formatting**

- This is '''bold'''
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- This is <u>underlined</u>

#### Structuring

- This is a ==Heading==
- This is an \*unordered list element
- Table:

```
{| class="wikitable"
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!header 1
!header 2
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|row 1, cell 1
|row 1, cell 2
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|row 2, cell 1
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# Links / Embedded files

#### Link to internal wiki page

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#### Link to external website

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#### *'Link with parameters*

```
<span class="plainlinks">[{{fullurl:{{FULLPAGENAME}}|action=edit}} Edit this page]/span>
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This link opens the referenced page in edit mode in a new tab.

#### Embed image/file

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#### **Magic words**

Type of Wikitext	Example
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Special character	ç → $ç$
	UTF-8 is possible

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Type of Wikitext	Example
Comment	unnoticed
No "wiki translation"	<nowiki> and </nowiki>
Table of contents	TOC andNOTOC
Signature	
Redirect	<pre>#REDIRECT [[targetpage]]</pre>
Template	<pre>{{template name}}</pre>

# **Related** info

- meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Help:Wikitext\_examples
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