

Creating Your Own Web Page

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<http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/AThornton1/create.cfm>

- **Getting Started**

There are many FREE ways to create your own web page. We will be using **GOOGLE SITES** to create our web page. Make sure that you get your parents' permission before starting.

- **Planning Your Site**

Who is your audience? Teachers? Parents? Students?

What do you want on your site? Do you want it interactive? Do you just want information? Before you begin, make a plan. Decide what you want on your page(s). Pictures? Text? Links? Charts?

- **VERY IMPORTANT!!!**

Remember that when you publish something to the Internet, ANYONE can read it!! Remember to use NICE words! NEVER give out your: Entire name, your phone number, your address, personal details about yourself or anyone else

- **Creating an Account**

First, you must create an account on GOOGLE. After your account is set up, click on MORE at the top left. Then click on SITES to get started.

- **Log In**

Don't forget your user name and password. Only share your password with your parents. You will need to log in each time you work on your site.

- **Select SITES** from the dropdown menu

- **Google Sites**

Now you are on the GOOGLE SITES page. Click on CREATE NEW SITE. Now you are ready to begin building your site.

- **Site Name**

Site Name: Name your site a good name that you can remember. Remember to use CAPITAL LETTERS for the important words in your title. Examples:

Katie's Science Stuff, All About the Civil War by _____, How to _____, Bob's Learning Page,...

- **Site Description**

Write a short and simple description that describes your site. Examples: Civil War Facts, Science Stuff,

- **Mature Content**

No need to check this box.

- **Share With**

Because you are a student, you only need to share your site with people that you know. Check the box that says: *Only people I specify can view this site.*

- **Site Theme**

You get to pick the theme of your choice. There are many to choose from so be creative and pick one that reflects your interests. I chose BRANCHES.

- **Type the Code**

Please type the code shown. You simply type the letters that you see on the left side of the box. Then click the BLUE box that says CREATE SITE.

- **Editing the Page**

Now you are ready to add information to your page. Up in the top right corner, click on EDIT PAGE. Now add your information. Be careful to use correct punctuation, capitalization, and spell the words correctly. Click in the boxes to type.

- **Save Your Work**

Be sure to SAVE your work! Google does AUTO SAVE, which means that your work is automatically SAVED every few minutes.

- **Additional Pages**

Once you are comfortable with your first page, you can add pages to your site. To add new pages, click on CREATE PAGE. You can add many additional pages. You edit these pages just like your first page.

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