

# HOW TO SET UP A FREE WORDPRESS BLOG



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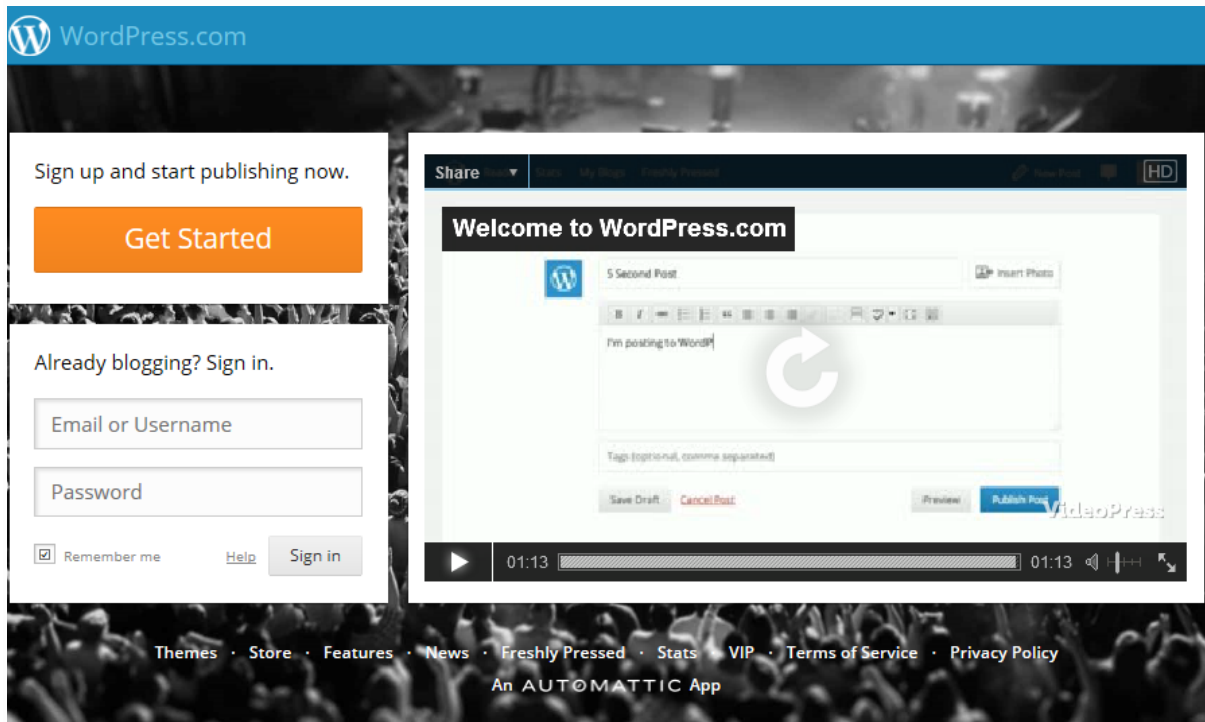
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Click on the **'Sign up and start publishing now. Get Started'** button.

It takes you to a page where you are prompted to fill in some personal information.

A screenshot of the WordPress.com sign-up form. The top navigation bar is blue with the WordPress logo and 'WordPress.com'. Below the navigation bar, there are links for 'Log In', 'Themes', 'Support', 'News', 'Features', and 'Sign Up'. The main content area has the heading 'Get started with WordPress.com by filling out this simple form:'. The form consists of four input fields: 'E-mail Address', 'Username', 'Password', and 'Blog Address'. To the right of the form, there are instructions for each field. For the 'E-mail Address' field, it says 'We'll send you an email to activate your account, so please triple-check that you've typed it correctly.' For the 'Username' field, it says 'Your username should be a minimum of four characters and can only include lowercase letters and numbers.' For the 'Password' field, it says 'Great passwords use upper and lower case characters, numbers, and symbols like !\"#\$%^&{}' and includes a 'Generate strong password' button. For the 'Blog Address' field, it says 'Choose an address for your blog. You can change the WordPress.com address later.' and 'If you don't want a blog you can sign up for just a username.' The 'Blog Address' field has a dropdown menu with the option '.wordpress.com Free' selected.

First, put in your correct **Email Address** because that is where they are going to send your password, so make sure you make no mistake.

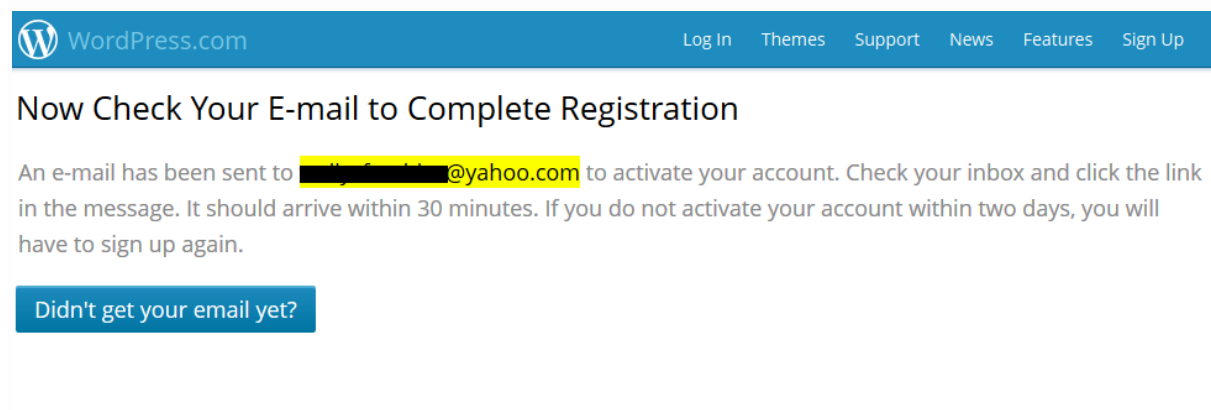
Next, pick a **Username** and then a **Password** which you desire

**(Note that Wordpress will suggest your email address as your username. However, you can change this to another name, if you wish)**

Choose a domain name (i.e. **Blog Address**) for your blog e.g.  
<https://www.facebookmarketinginnercircle.wordpress.com>

Click the '**Create Blog**'.

You will be taken to a page where you'll be informed that an email has been sent to your email address on file; for verification. There is a link in the email which you will need to click in order to register the bog.

A screenshot of the WordPress registration confirmation page. At the top, there is a blue navigation bar with the WordPress logo and 'WordPress.com' on the left, and 'Log In', 'Themes', 'Support', 'News', 'Features', and 'Sign Up' on the right. Below the navigation bar, the main heading reads 'Now Check Your E-mail to Complete Registration'. The text below states: 'An e-mail has been sent to [redacted]@yahoo.com to activate your account. Check your inbox and click the link in the message. It should arrive within 30 minutes. If you do not activate your account within two days, you will have to sign up again.' Below this text is a blue button that says 'Didn't get your email yet?'.

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Go to your email inbox and look for the mail sent to you from Wordpress. Click on the '**Activate Blog**' button.

Immediately you activate your account, you will be asked to fill a short form in order to complete setting up your blog. That's the first step.



STEP 1

## Set up your blog

Blog Title

Tagline (optional)

*In a few words, explain what your blog is about.*

Language

*Which language will you be blogging in?*

Next Step →

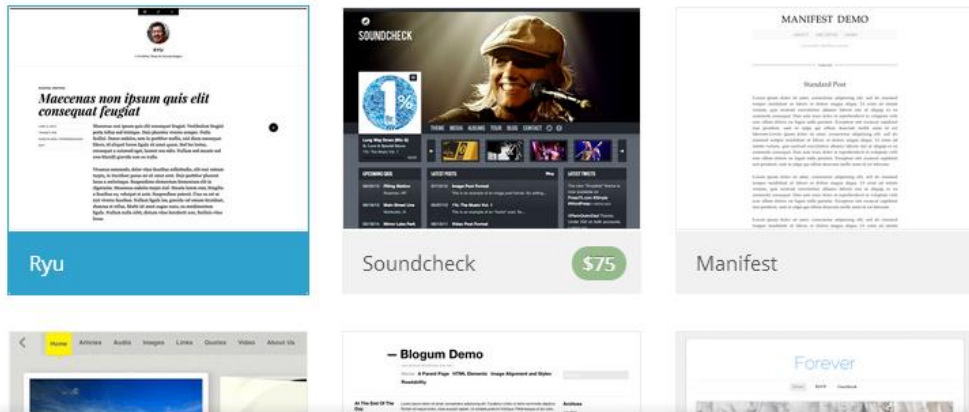
The **second step** will give you a choice of themes and ask you to pick one. Don't fret, you can play around with the themes. If you pick one and don't like it, you can easily change and you can change as often as you like 😊



STEP 2

## Choose a theme

Click on a thumbnail to choose a theme for your blog. No need to over think it; you can always switch to a different theme later.



Click on your preferred theme in order to activate it and set up your blog. You are already in your **'Dashboard'** and can start customizing your blog.

Another way you can access your Dashboard is to sign into wordpress admin; then log in with your password.

<http://www.facebookmarketinginnercircle.com/wp-admin>

From the left side of the Dashboard, Go to **'Your Profile'** and fill in your personal information. When you are done, scroll to the end of the page and click the **'Update'** button in order to save what you have just put in.

On this page also, you can upload a photograph to your profile.

Make sure you change your password to something you can remember and click '**Update Profile**'.

Next, go to '**Posts**' and write a welcome message to your readers or anything you wish.

HAPPY BLOGGING!!! 😊

Most Sincerely,

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