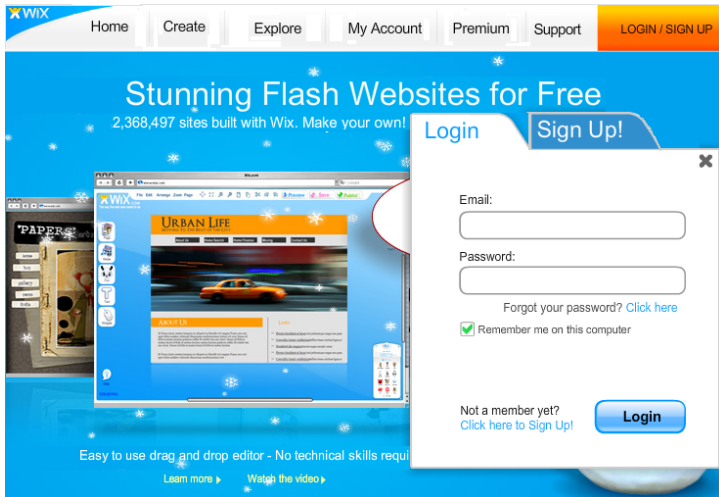


Wix.com

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Wix has a drag and drop interface that allows you to build a Flash website with very little technical experience.

Photos and videos can be added quickly from available libraries and links to popular sites like YouTube.com.

Click the link for **Sign Up** and fill in your account information.

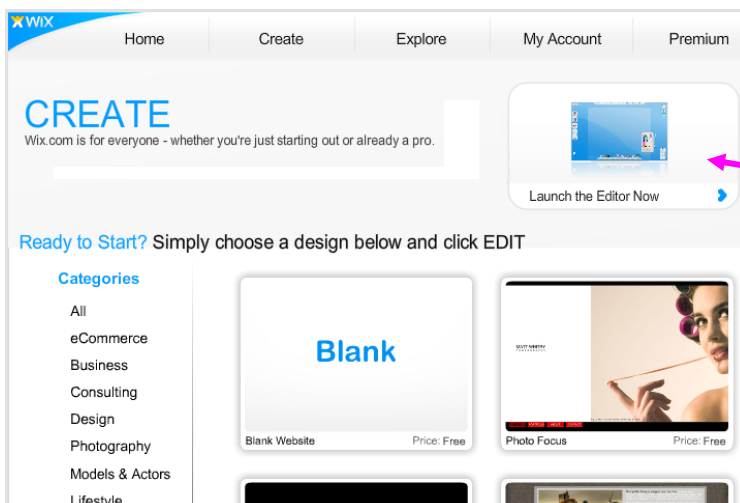
Wix does not allow multiple accounts to be registered to the same email address. However, by using a Google Gmail account, you can mimic multiple addresses for your students. See WYSBU.com to learn how.



After a successful login to Wix.com, you will land on the Welcome screen.

To begin, click the **Create** button.

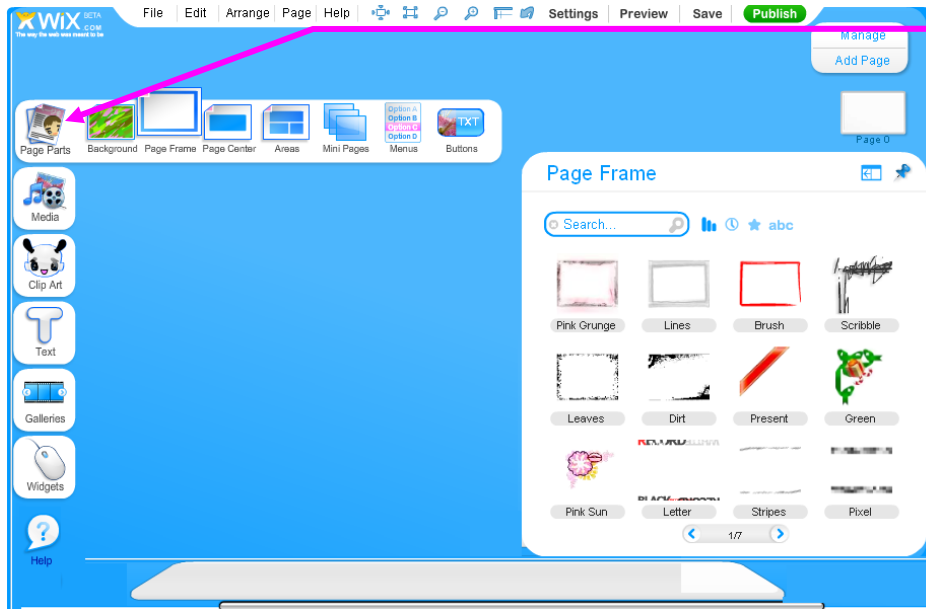
To return to a site you've ready built, click **My Account**.



If your students are creating a poster-like presentation from scratch, click **Launch the Editor Now**.

Wix also has a large library of template designs. Most are free and some charge a fee to use. Using template designs is a quick way to make a professional looking website.

Page Parts



A good place to start is under **Page Parts**.

Here students can select a Background, Page Frame, or Mini Pages (which includes a template for a flip book).

Whichever is selected, a second menu appears in the corner with your available options.

Drag an item to the center of the screen to use it.

Save and Settings



Remember! Wix is not a program on your computer. It is running in your Internet Browser. Be sure to save often.

Go to the **File** menu and click **Save**.

Tip: Some older computers may be slow when running Wix. Occasionally, you may experience a crash and lose your work. If you have added a significant amount of content to your Wix, it would be wise to save and close the editor, then return to My Account and reopen your project.

During the first Save, it is strongly suggested that students adjust their Document Settings by going to **File** and **Settings**.

On the Document Settings page, uncheck the boxes next to:

Show in Gallery

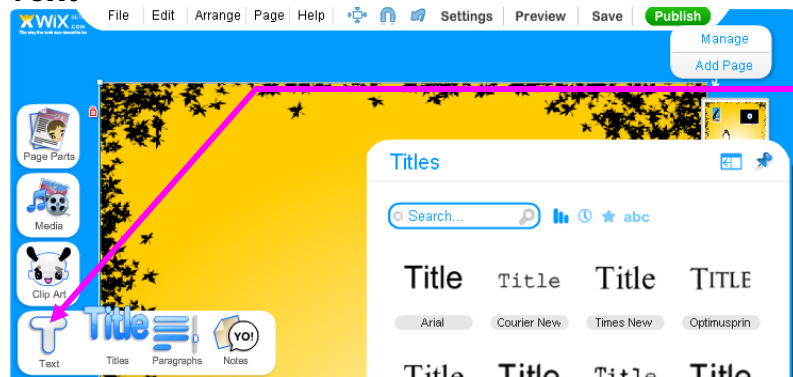
List in Search Engines

Listing in the Gallery and Search Engines is not suggested for K-12 students. If your students are in Higher Ed or Business & Industry, you may want to encourage them to list their websites in both places.

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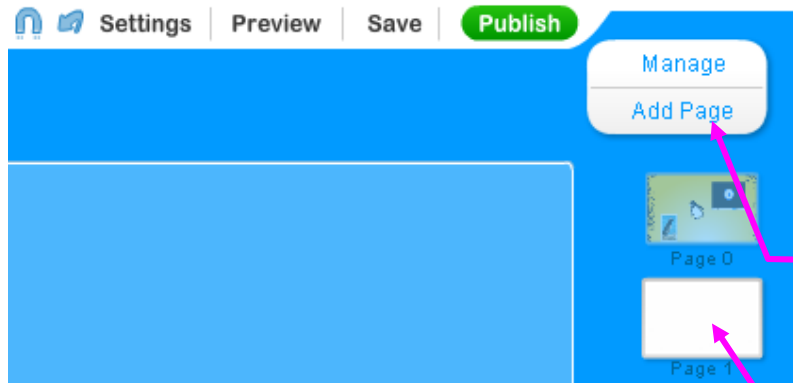
Text



The **Text** menu contains options for selecting Fonts, Paragraph Alignment, and Notes.

The Notes menu has fun things like thought bubbles and sticky notes.

New Page

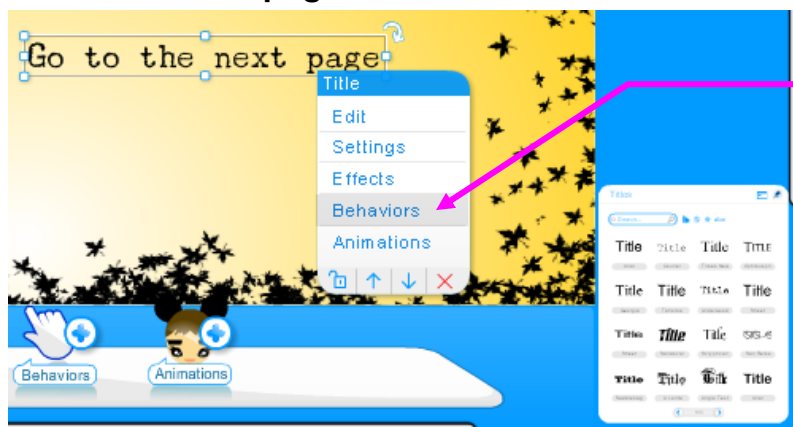


*NOTE: If students are using one of the Book or Magazine layouts from **Page Parts** > **Mini Pages** please continue to the section called **Books / Mini Pages**. Need ideas for using Books? Visit WYSBU.com.*

If your students are creating a website, rather than a poster-like presentation, new pages can be added by clicking the **Add Page** button.

Additional pages appear along the right side of the screen. **Click one of the thumbnails** to work on another page.

Link to another page

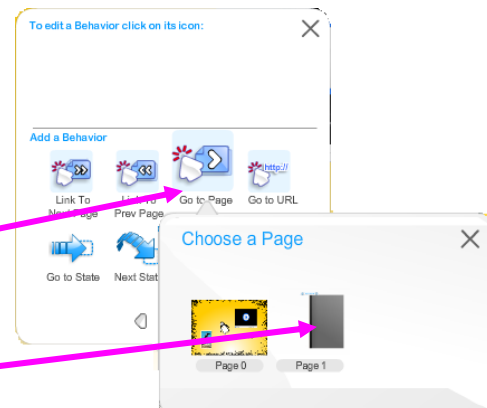


Students can link to another Wix page by selecting an object, like text, and choosing **Behaviors** from either the short cut menu, or the menu at the bottom of the screen.

Students should be mindful of the Behaviors already attributed to the object, which is listed above the menu.

To add a link, choose **Go to Page**

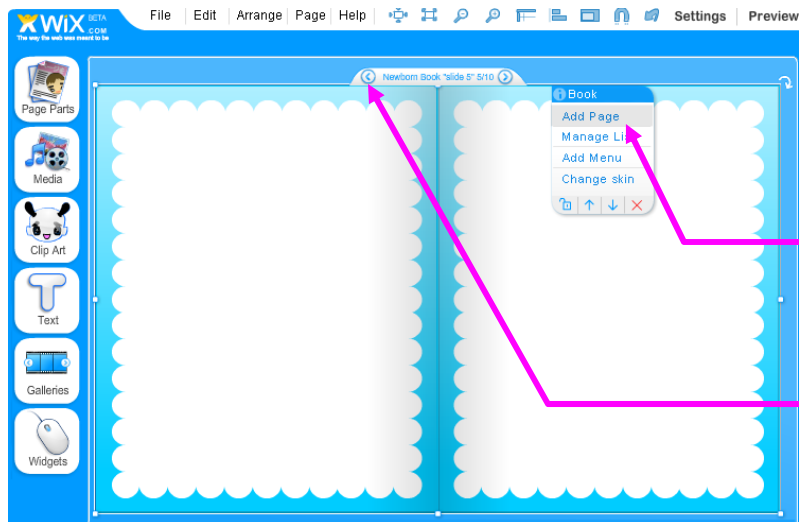
and then **click the page to link to.**



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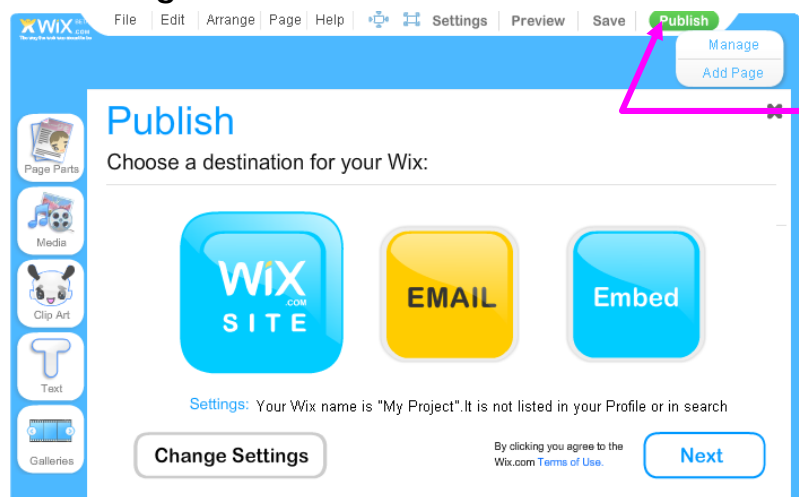


Available from Page Parts > Mini Pages, pre-built book templates allow students to fill in pages for an interactive book.

Each book comes with 10 pages. Students can add additional pages to the book template by selecting the book and choosing **Add Page** from the menu. (Note that this is not the Add Page button in the upper-right corner of the screen. That button will add a second webpage, not a page to the book template.)

To flip the pages in the book, click the **left or right arrows** that appear when the book template is selected.

Publishing



Continue to Save your project often!

When your project is finished, click the **Publish** button in the top, right corner.

There are three options for publishing your Wix.

Wix Site

Choosing **Wix Site** will give you a web page address that can be typed into a browser. Write down the address to your page so you can find it later.

Email

Allows you to send your Wix as a link via email.

Embed

Embed provides you with a snippet of HTML code that can be pasted into the body of your own website or directly into a Learning Management System. The Embed code makes Wix a part of your own website by playing automatically when someone visits.

Modified embed codes are also provided for popular sites like Blogger, Livejournal, TypePad, and Facebook. (Plus many more.)

*Remember: These are webpages and nearly everything on the Internet is available to the public. So be sure to tell Wix that you do not want your webpages included in a gallery or search engine where the public can easily locate them. Settings are available under **File > Settings**. You are also reminded to change your settings on the Publish page under **Change Settings**.*

*Another option is to not to publish the Wix site at all, and use the student's login and password to view each project under **My Account**. For more ideas on using Wix in the classroom visit WYSBU.com.*

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