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- Listen to Wikipedia: http://listen.hatnote.com/#uk,fr,en,sv (scroll down to add languages)

Agenda
1. Why Wikipedia?
2. Pedagogical foundations
3. Pedagogically useful features
   • Associated assignments
4. How to get started

Pedagogically Useful Features of Wikipedia
• Talk pages
• Ways to find articles in need
  o article ratings and Wikiprojects
  o Citation Hunter/WikiGrabber
• Teacher Infrastructure

Talk pages:
WikiProjects and article ratings

Assignment: “Critique an Article”
- Study “Good” article: What makes it good?
- Find “C” class article and identify two+ things wrong with it;
- Put comments on article’s Talk page (public spaces where users are expected to assume good faith and practice good digital citizenship)

There are many ways to contribute to Wikipedia:
- Create a new article
- Add content to an existing article
- Add citations (CitationHunt & Wikigrabber)
- Edit for grammar and usage

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