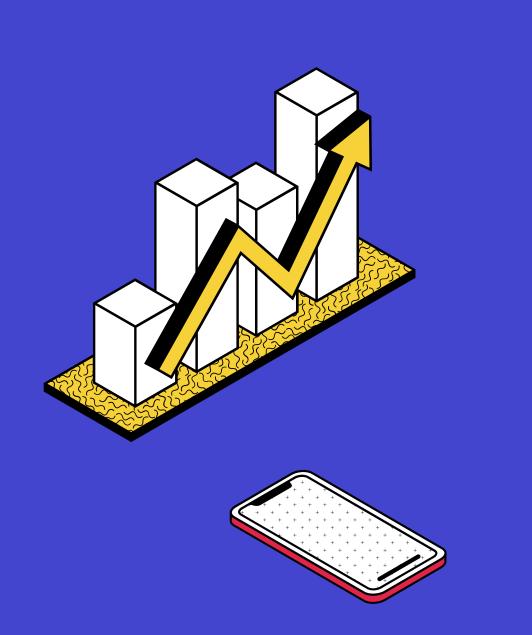


SEO FOR WORDPRESS WEBSITES





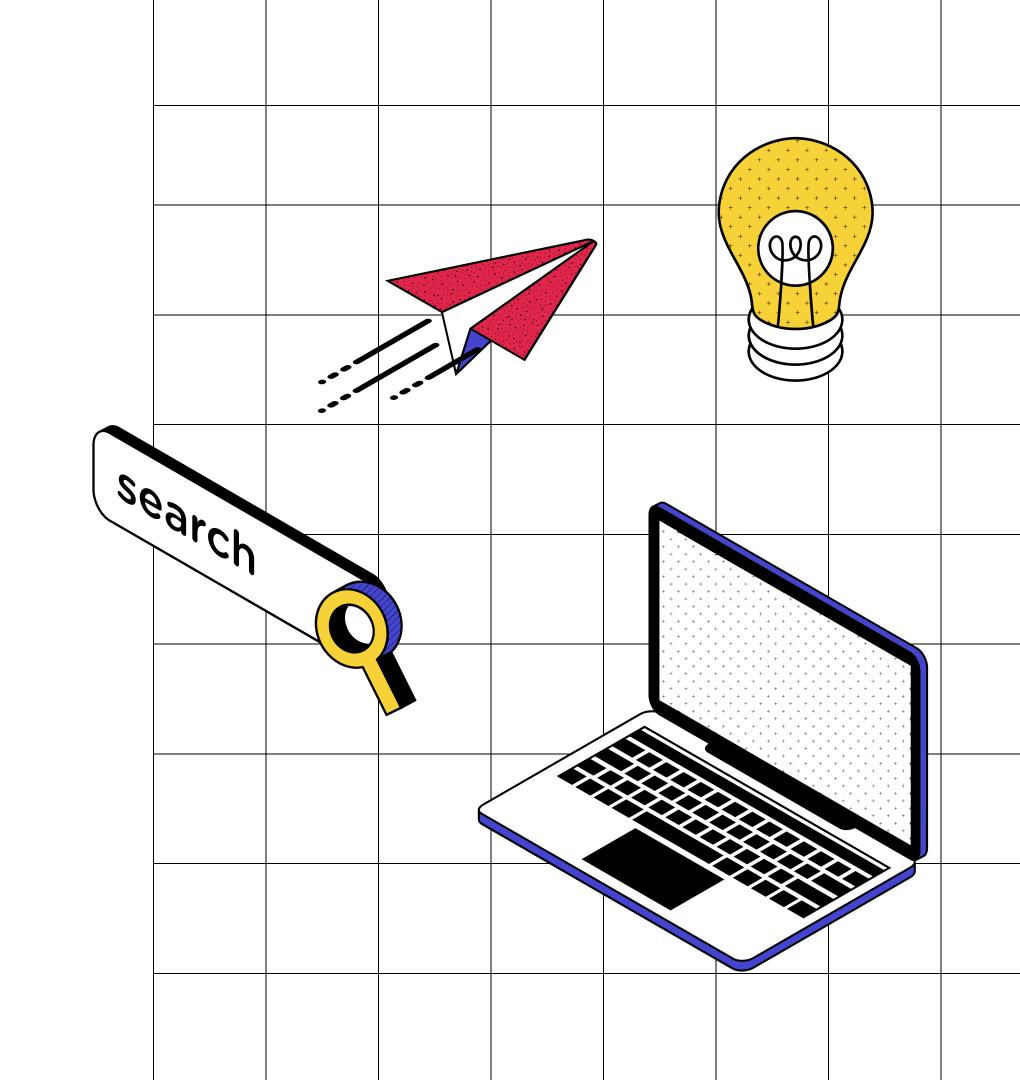
Learning about Search Engine Optimisation

WHAT IS SEO?

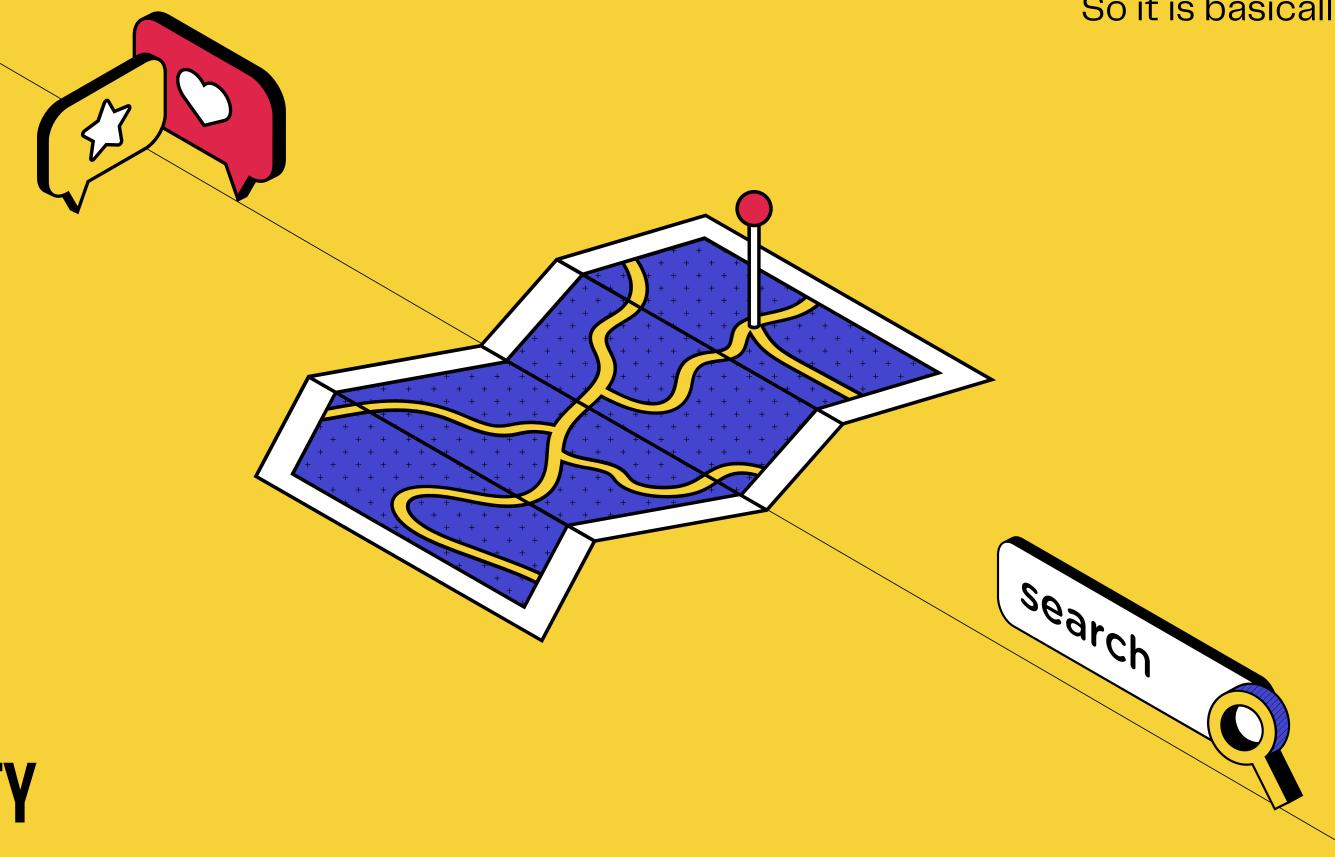
Search Engine Optimisation

is the process of affecting the visibility of a website or a web page in a search engine's "natural" or "organic" (un-paid) search results.

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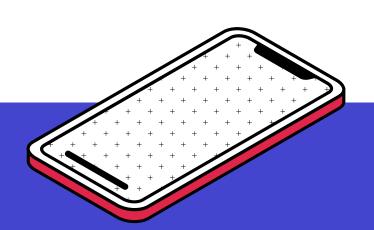


MORE VISIBILITY

TWO TYPES OF SEO

On-site SEO

- Optimise "Page Titles"
- Use quality keywords that are relevant (do not overuse, focus on quality)
- Content for target users (not search engines)
- User friendly URLs
- Image optimisation
- High quality videos



Off-site SEO

- Social networks (e.g. Facebook, Instagram)
- Quality links to relevant content
- Brand building
- Third-party content sharing (e.g. Pinterest)
- Guest posting
- Google Webmaster

tools



WordPress Codex

It is a CMS platform

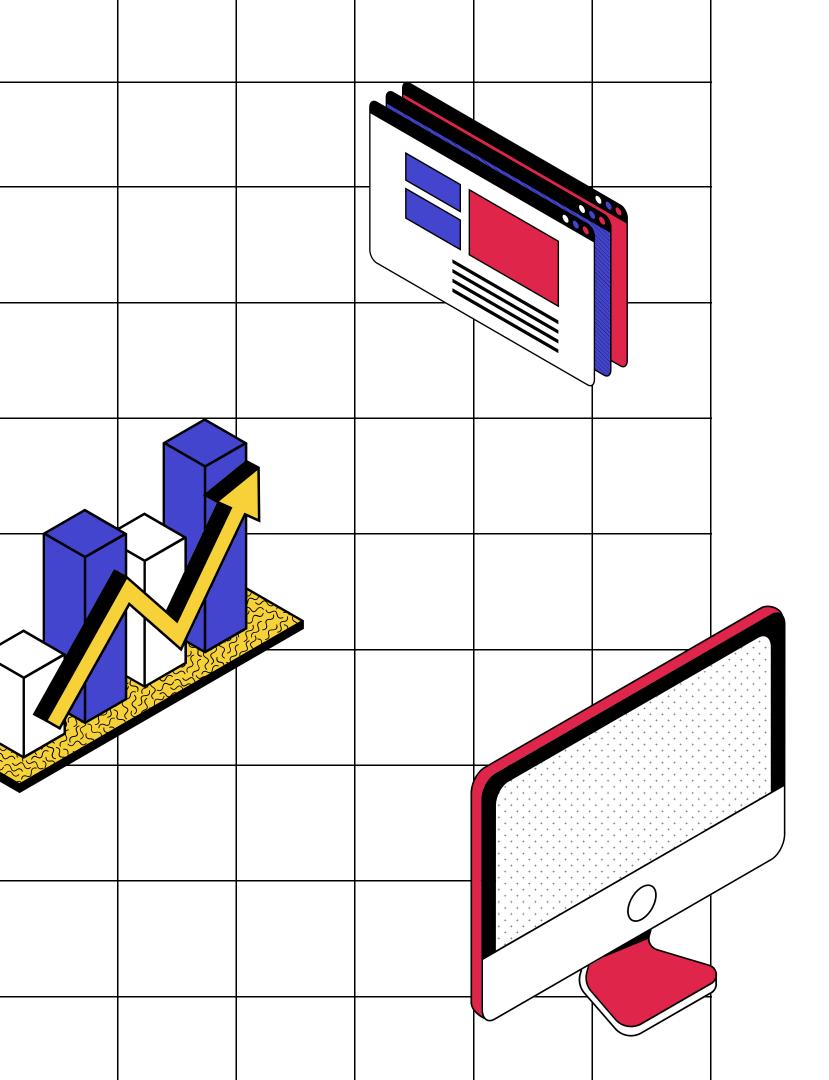
WordPress is one fo the many different content management systems we can choose from to manage our site. One of the <u>best CSM</u> to use in terms of SEO.

It is built around SEO

SEO is changing frequently but every release of WordPress is built around the changes.

It has many plugins to optimsie use

There are many core and third party plugins that can really help in optimising a WordPress website



CORE WORDPRESS SEO

Permalinks

Make URLs much more search engine and human friendly in settings – permalinks

Canonicalization

Choose to use www or non-www before domain (and in Google Webmaster tools)

Page titles & content

Optimise it manually in settings and use plugins to improve and customise it further

Meta tags

Add meta descriptions that is seen by the users as well as insert keywords

Image optimisation

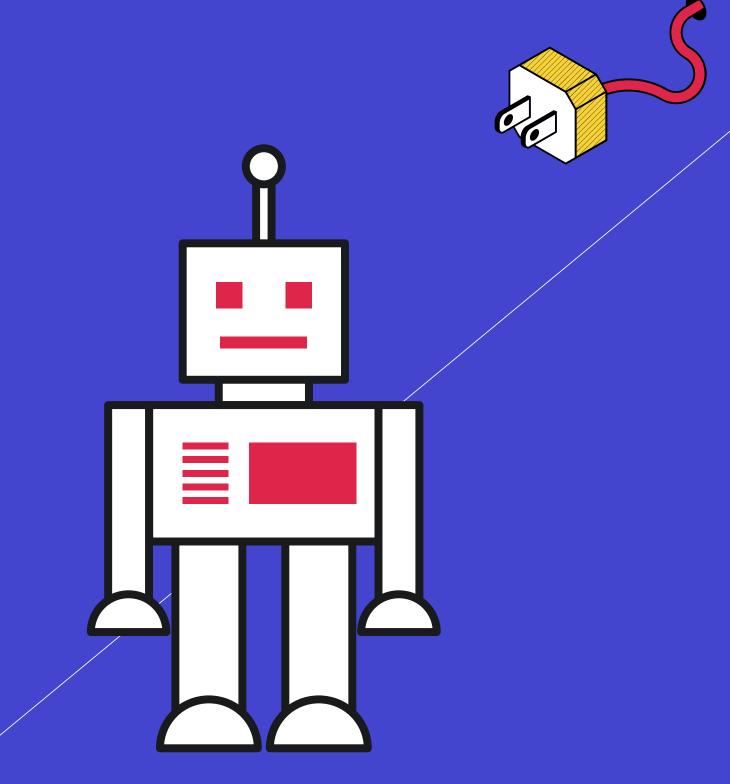
Attach alt tags and other attributes /information to uploaded images

ROBOTS.TXT

It is a file that blocks certain directories / folders / files

On <u>Google Search Central</u> it is written that it tells search engine crawlers which pages or files the crawler can or can't request from your site. This is used mainly to avoid overloading your site with requests (it is not a mechanism for keeping a web page out of Google).

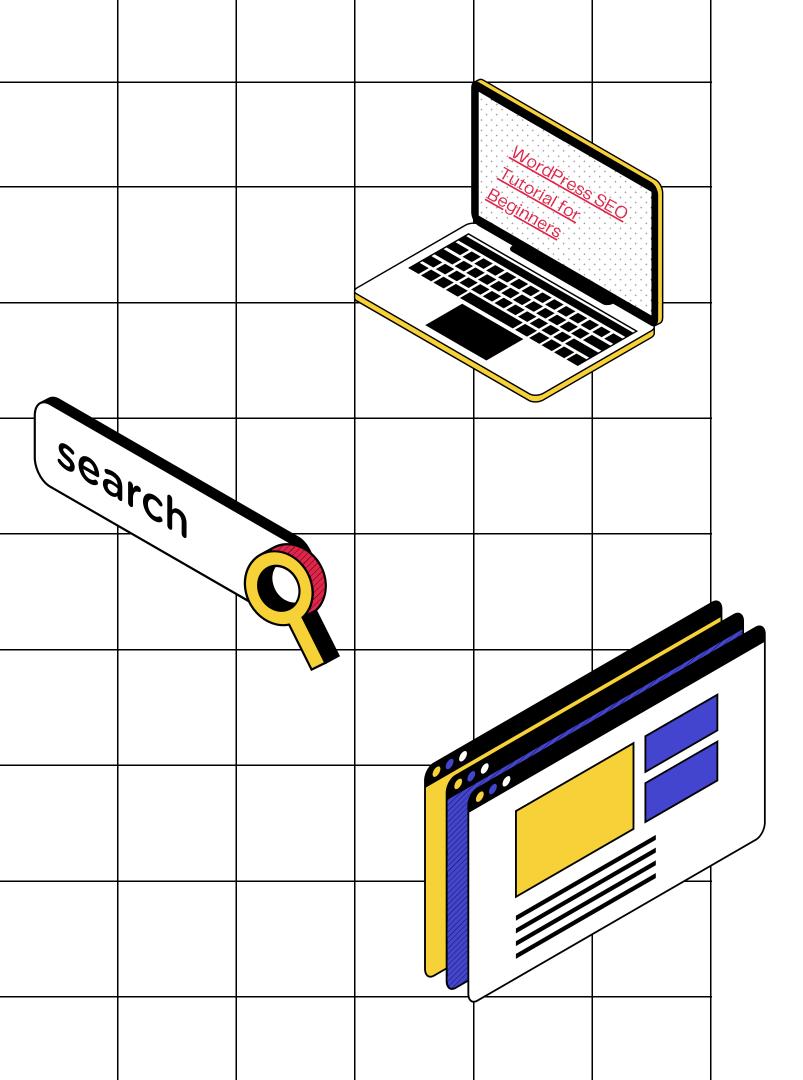
WordPress automatically creates a virtual robots.txt for your site.





OPTIMISED POSTS

- Have around 500–700 words
- Use keywords in title / slogan (use answerthepublic, ahrefs, surfer for help)
- Add <u>heading tags</u> (H1-H6)
- Categorise and add tags, use <u>keywords</u>
- Encourage commenting
- Create back links (resource page)



PLUGINS

• SEO

All around SEO tools (e.g. <u>Yoast</u>,. <u>All in One SEO</u>)

Sharing & bookmark

Allow users to quickly share posts (e.g. Add This)

Sitemap

There are only a few available (e.g. XML, HTML)

Speed

Improve the loading speed of the site (e.g. <u>GeneratePress</u> (theme), <u>AMP</u> (mobile), <u>PageSpeed</u> <u>Insights</u> (benchmark), <u>W3 Total Cache</u> (cache), etc.)

Security

Add an SSL certificate, redirect insecure content to https (e.g. <u>Really Simple SSL</u>)

Redirection

Create and manage redirects to help reduce errors and improve your site ranking (e.g. <u>Redirection</u>)

GOOGLE ANALYTICS

Complete information

Understand the website and app users to better check their performance.

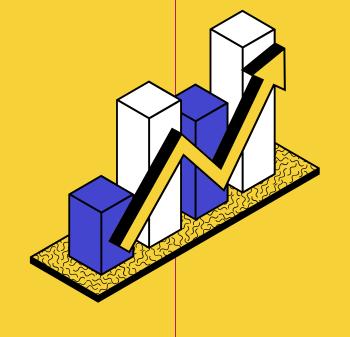
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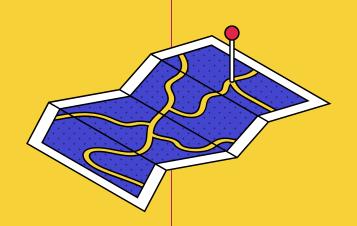
Access Google's unique insights and machine learning capabilities to make the most of the data.

Connect insights to results

Analytics works with Google's advertising and publisher products, to use insights to deliver business results.







GOOGLE SEARCH CONSOLE

Optimise content with Search Analytics

See which queries bring users to the website.

Get the content on Google

Submit sitemaps and individual URLs for crawling and review your index coverage.

Get alerts on issues

Submit sitemaps and individual URLs for crawling and review your index coverage.

Understand how Google Search sees webpages

Submit sitemaps and individual URLs for crawling and review your index coverage.

SEO CONTENT BRIEF

Summary



- 1. Target word count
- 2. Search intent
- 3. Keyword variations
- 4. Keyword valuations

