# Content Management Systems Considerations in Choosing

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# What

Wikipedia: "a computer program that allows publishing, editing & modifying content as well as maintenance from a central interface ... to manage workflow in a collaborative environment."

# Features

**Common features** 

» Web-based publishing
 » WYSIWYG editor
 » Revision/version control
 » Asset indexing, search, & retrieval

## Type of CMS

» CMS / Portals » eCommerce » Forums » Blogs » Image Galleries » Groupware » e-Learning » Wiki

# Who

### You need a CMS

» More than one editor
 » Non-technical editors
 » Large site
 » Lots of changing content

### You don't need a CMS

» One editor
» Highly technical editors
» Small, billboard site
» Unchanging content

# Audiences

Content Management Systems have to serve 4 different user groups

» Developers
 » Designers
 » Administrators
 » Editors

## Developers

## Need a solid, agile, & well-documented application development platform

## Technical users

## Designers

## Need easy theming & flexibility when it comes to information architecture

### Technical users

## Administrators

## Need powerful & usable controls for managing users, rights, & assets

## Technical users

## Editors

## Need usability that makes it easy to create, edit, & manage content

Can be technical or non-technical users





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### Most are free

### You need to have some knowledge

## » Create MySQL database » Install PHP app » Secure the CMS » Permissions

## Read the documentation!

# Examples

## Drupal

## Drupal

#### Come for the software, stay for the community

Drupal is an open source content management platform powering millions of websites and applications. It's built, used, and supported by an active and diverse community of people around the world.

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1,882	Themes
723	Distributions
30,480	Developers

This week 2,426 Code commits 4,799 Issue comments

**Drupal Core** Security Info **Developer Docs** API Docs

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### A- Developers

## C+ Designers

## A- Administrators

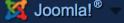
## **D** Editors

### Over-modularized & complex

## Great for technical users, not so much for non-technical users

## If nerds will be developing AND editing, Drupal might work fine

## Joomla

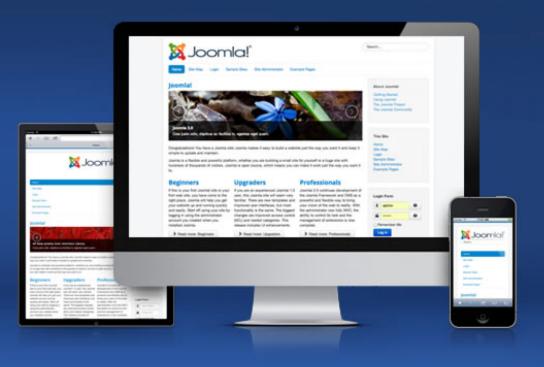


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## The Platform Millions of **Websites Are Built On**

- Over 35 million downloads and counting
- Thousands of extensions and designs
- Subser-friendly and mobile-ready





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#### Joomla! 3.2.0 Stable Released

The Joomla! Project and Community is excited and proud to announce the immediate availability of Joomla! CMS 3.2.0 Stable. With literally dozens of new features including: Content version control Many user interface improvements Easy multi-lingual setup for 64...



**Joomla 2.5.6** 

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Joomla is an award-winning content management system (CMS), which enables you to build Web sites and powerful online applications. Many aspects, including its ease-of-use and extensibility, have made Joomla the most popular Web site software available. Best of all, Joomla is an open source solution that is freely available to everyone.

Joomla is used all over the world to power Web sites of all shapes and sizes. For example:

- Corporate Web sites or portals
- Corporate intranets and extranets
- Online magazines, newspapers, and publications
- E-commerce and online reservations
- Government applications
- Small business Web sites
- Non-profit and organizational Web sites

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## Very pretty at first glance, but ... Not well organized Not great for non-technical users

## WordPress



#### Blogs I Follow



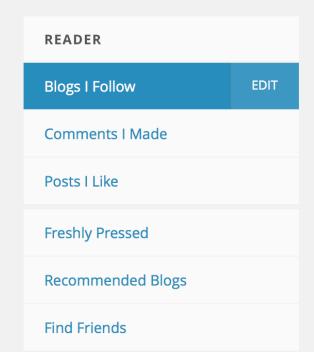
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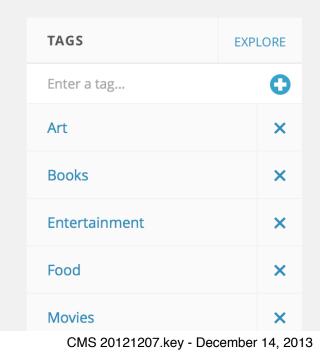
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#### WordPress 3.8 RC1

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#### WordPress Description

WordPress was born out of a desire for an elegant, well-architectured personal publishing system built on PHP and MySQL and licensed under the GPL. It is the official successor of b2/cafelog. WordPress is fresh software, but its roots and development go back to 2001. It is a mature and stable product. We hope by focusing on web standards and user experience we can create a tool different from anything else out there.

WordPress is a powerful content management system, and it comes with a great set of features designed to make your experience as a publisher on the Internet as easy, pleasant and appealing as possible. We are proud to offer you a freely distributed, standardscompliant, fast, light and free personal publishing platform, with sensible default settings and features, and an extremely customizable core.

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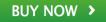
### Easily the best blogging tool

Excellent at managing posts, not very good at managing pages

## Must keep it up to date, as hackers poke at it constantly

# Expression Engine





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# Just be creative.

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 » It's limited
 » Not for commercial activity
 » Must include
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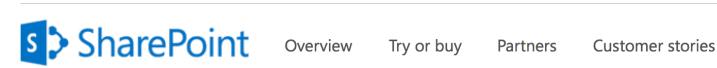
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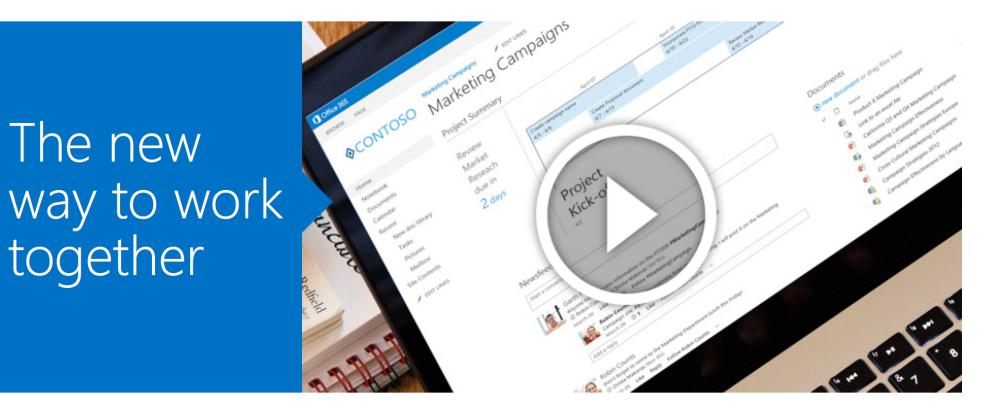
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### Client Access Licenses \$\$

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### Meant for intranets & document sharing

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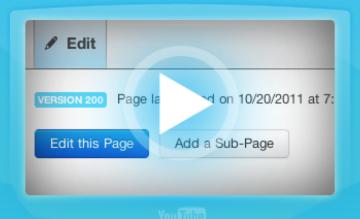
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- WYSIWYG text editor
- In-context editing toolbar change your website as you surf!
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## B+ Designers

## **B** Administrators

### B+ Editors

## WebSanity uses Concrete5

## Why?

» Free (but support is available)
» Open source
» Written in PHP, so lots of developers
» Easy for non-technical editors to use
» Powerful back-end for us

## There is no perfect CMS

# Your needs dictate the CMS that is right for you

# Thank you!

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