What do I do now????? Idea to first pages in about an hour



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Domains with nothing on

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Some nudity. May contain naked domains.

Modest Goal

The goal: enough to start testing

- Simple semi-customized design with a handful of pages
- Basic tools for on-page SEO
- Analytics in place

This is not the do-everything portal you're dreaming of which is version....

Version Infinity

- Version Infinity (n)
 - The version that exists in your head that stops you from building anything at all until you get \$1.2m in venture capital.
- Derek Sivers interview on Mixergy.com
 - http://mixergy.com/derek-sivers
 - CD Baby and Muckwork.com

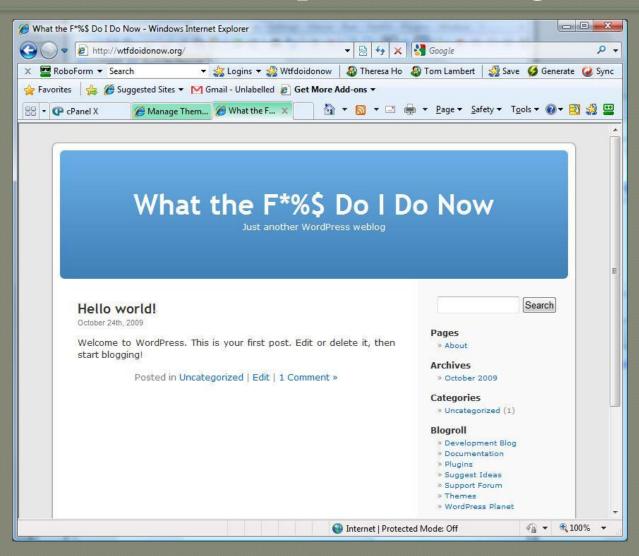
First Steps

Pre-requisite: idea + keyword research

- Cheap Hosting
- Register Domain
- Install some CMS Software

Time so far: 09:00. Unfortunately...

Step 2: Something Presentable



Inspiration I: KW Tools and Competitors

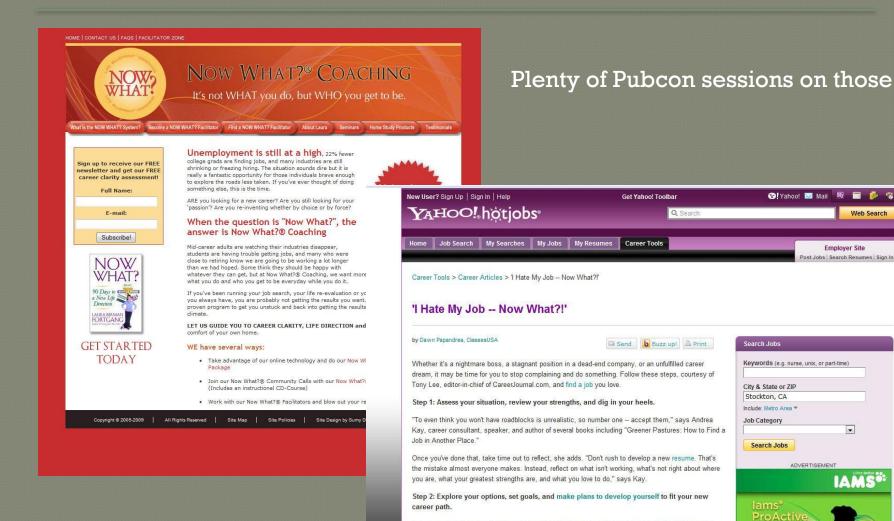
Kay emphasizes the power of communication during this stage. "The best way to find a new job is to

hold meaningful conversations with people." she advises. "Talk about your career with people who can

Web Search

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Health



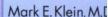
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A Handbook for Life





ng this book was a true pleasure, and will help man ss of age, forge a life that is meaningful and satisfyin — Olivia Mellan psychotherapist & author of Money Harmony

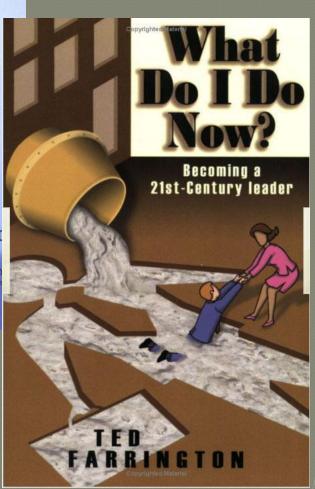
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DR. FOSTER'S 30 LAWS OF GREAT

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DR. CHARLES FOSTER

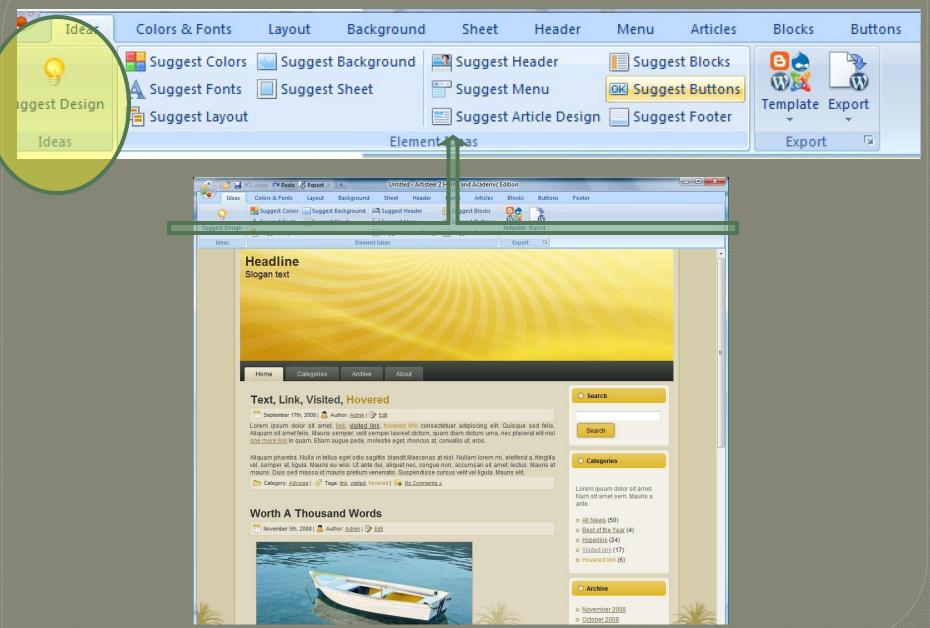
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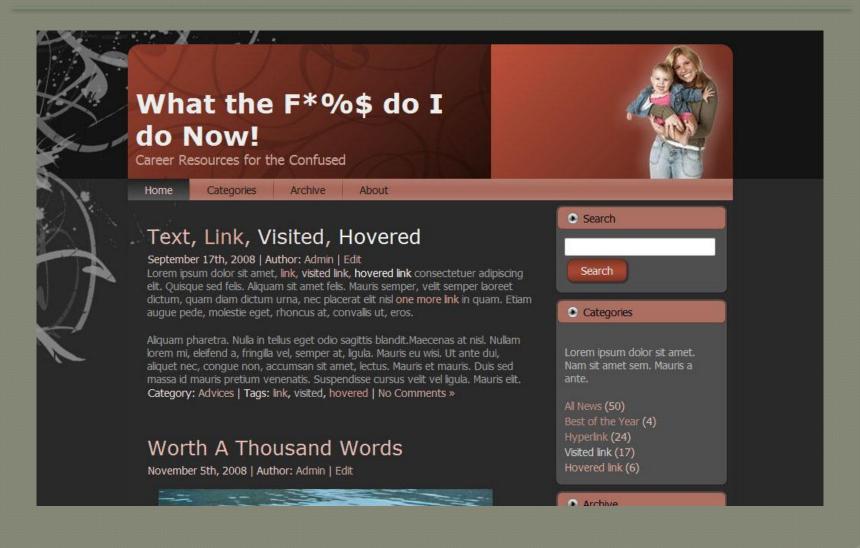
Quick and Dirty Customization

- Hunt for an off-the-shelf theme
 - Thousands. An excellent procrastination strategy
 - Often not designed to customize.
- Use a framework theme: Pushbutton Options
 - Thesis, Flexibility2 (free!), Carrington, Affiliate Theme
- Artisteer: Pushbutton Design Generation

Artisteer: Semi-Automated Design Generation



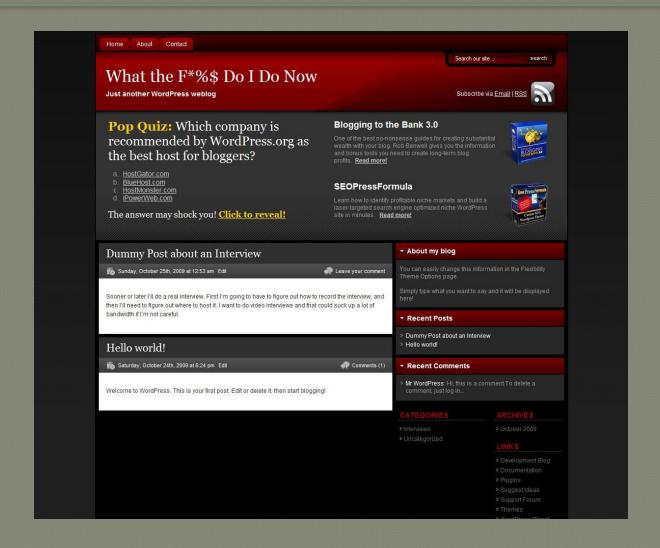
Push "Suggest" Twice



Flexibility2 : *Free* Point and Shoot Customization 150 Quick Options from the admin screen

Blog width control	s	
Total blog width (in pixels):	960	This is the total width of your blog including posts and sidebars.
Post content width:	600	This is the width of the post section (the left side) of your blog. The sidebar will be automatically sized to fit.
Left sub-sidebar width:	180	This is the width of the left sub-sidebar. If you want to make your sub-sidebars the same with as your top sidebar boxes so they stack, simply take your overall blog width, subtract your post width, and subtract 20 pixels for padding.
Right sub-sidebar width:	140	This is the width of the right sub-sidebar. If you want to make your sub-sidebars the same with as your top sidebar boxes so they stack, simply take your overall blog width, subtract your post width, and subtract 20 pixels for padding.
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Flexibility2 Default



5 images + 10 Options + 15 mins later...

http://WTFdoIdoNow.org Version 0.2



Disclaimer: this was done by a colorblind, non-designer who can't match a shirt and pants



Handy Firefox Extensions



Measure It

https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/539



Colorzilla

https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/271



Aardvark

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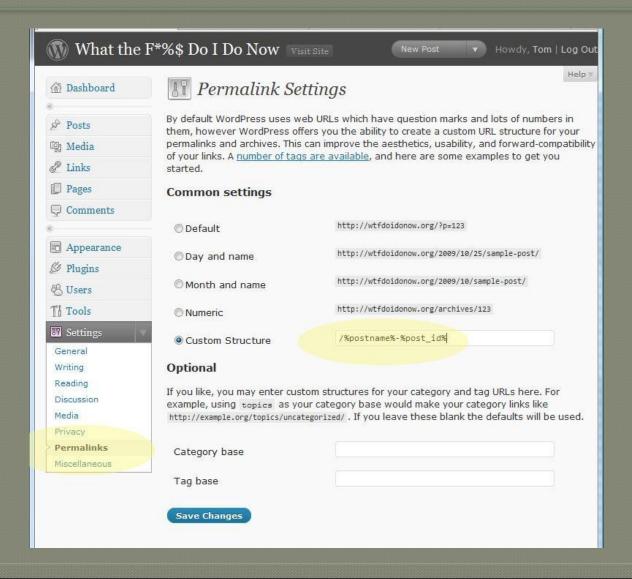


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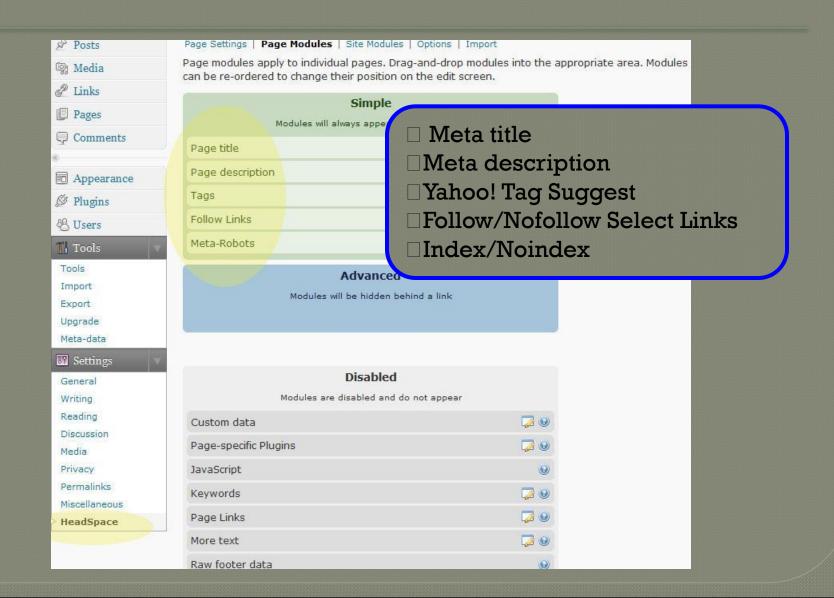
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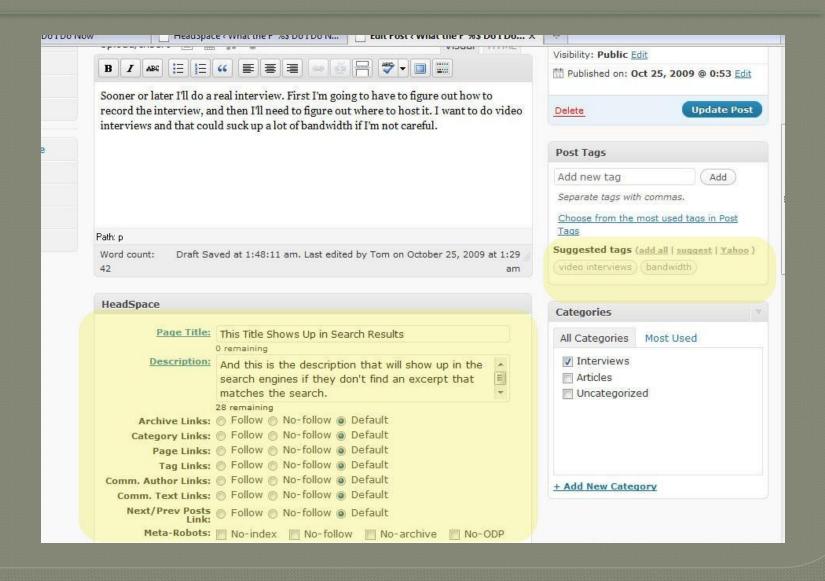
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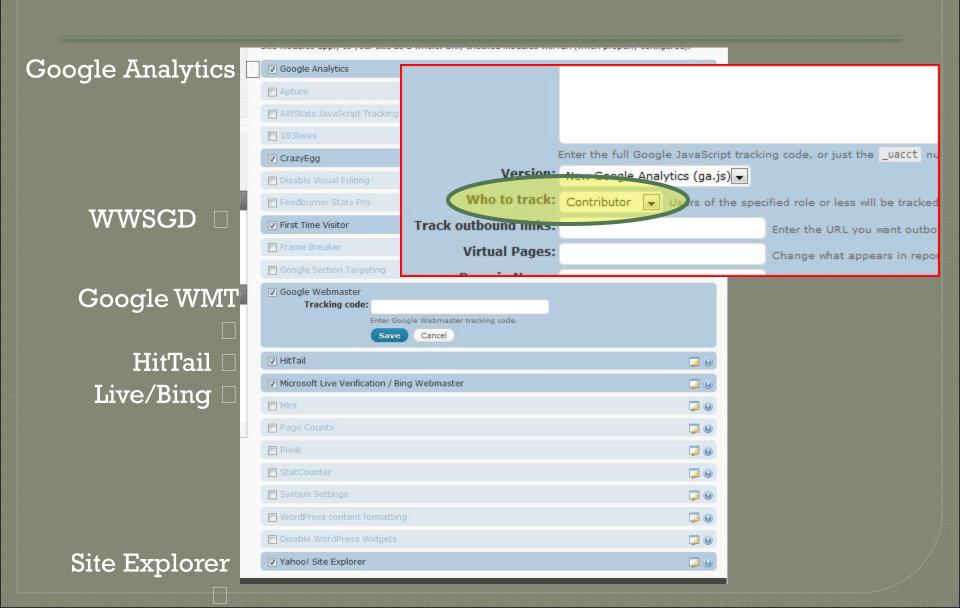
Headspace2: Page Settings



Headspacified Edit Screen



Headspace2: Add Tracking and Diagnostics



Great, we're collecting data...



WTF do I do now????

Thank You



"...if a thing is worth doing, it is worth doing badly"
— G.K. Chesterton (1874-1936)

"Don't Worry, Be Crappy"

— Guy Kawasaki

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