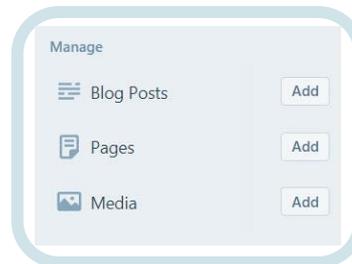# How2 add images to a blog post in WordPress

So far in this challenge you have:

- Registered for an account with WordPress (with parents' permission!)
- Signed into your WordPress blog
- Given your blog a title and chosen a theme
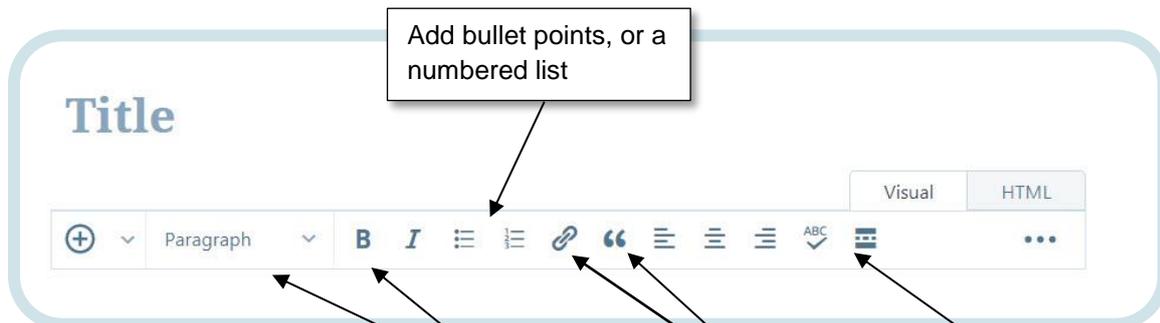- Learned how to apply a new theme

This how2 will help you start to create your blog post and add an image to it

Creating your first blog post

It is very easy to create your first blog post on your WordPress blog. On the left side of the page, under Manage, click on Add next to Blog Posts. This opens up the blog post editor.

Manage

Blog Posts   Add

Pages   Add

Media   Add

Using the editor

Add bullet points, or a numbered list

Title

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The editor is a big white box where you type in your blog, with lots of different formatting options across the top. If you hover your mouse of each button, you will see what each does.

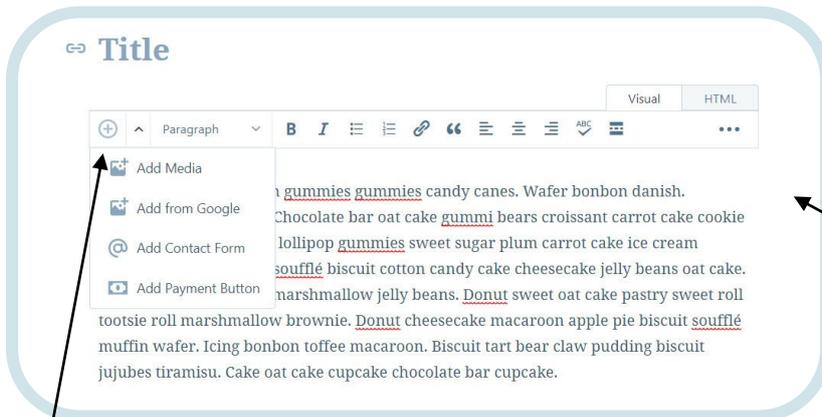You can change the font style, and add bold and italics.

Add hyperlinks, and a block quote (an important phrase that stands out)

Align the text left, right or centre, check your spelling and add read more tag

Title

Paragraph

To add a title for your blog post, just click on the word Title and type in your new title.
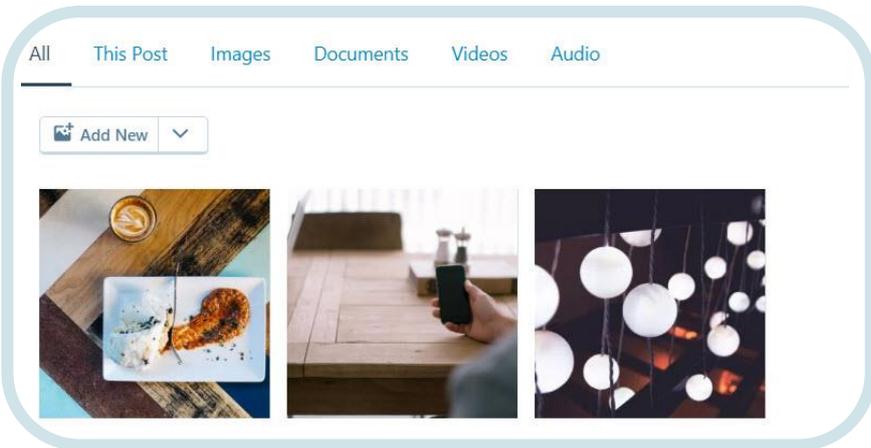
Adding your text and an image to the editor

Start writing your blog post by just typing into the box.

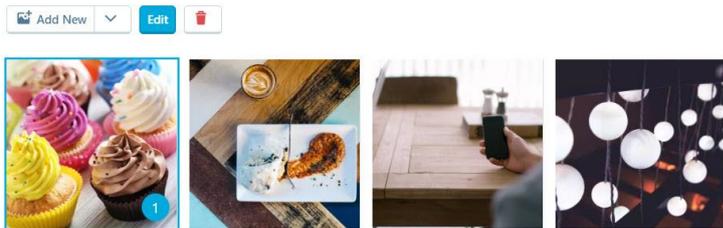I have used Cupcake placeholder text here – it does make me want to eat cake though!

When you are ready to add an image to your blog, click on the + sign on the top bar. This opens up a drop down menu where you can choose options of adding media, something from Google, a contact form or a payment button. You want to add media – an image is classed as media. So click on the top option. This opens up a new window.
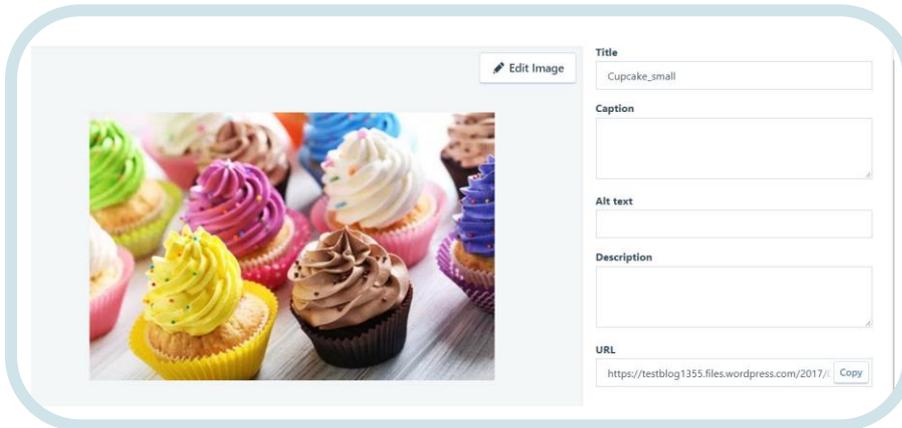

In the next window, you will see that you can add images and documents. Videos and audio can only be added if you are paying for an account though.

Under the 'Add New' button there are images that you have already uploaded.

To add a new image click on Add New and then browse for your image, remembering to only use images you have permission to use. I have added my cupcake picture, which now has a number 1 in it, and I can edit it with the blue button above it.
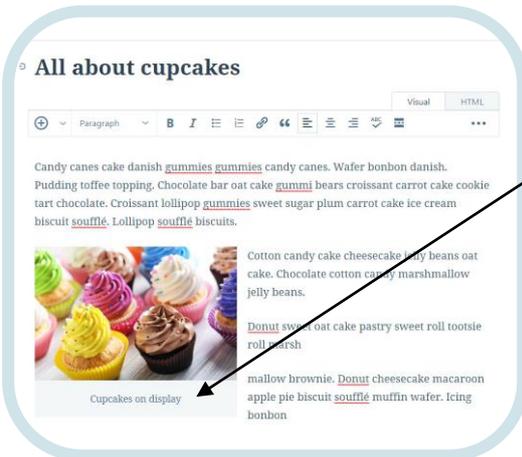
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Clicking on the Edit button allows you to provide more information about your image, including a caption for it. You can also write a description of it, and provide alternative text – a text name for it (good practice in web development). Click Insert to add it to your post.

My cupcake image appeared at the bottom of my post, so now I need to put it where I want it to go. Clicking on the image brings up a small editor above it. You can choose to align it to the left, right or centre, to add a caption or to resize it. I want it on the left, so I click the first option in the toolbar. I can then drag the image to where I want it to sit in the post.

My image was a bit big, so I made is smaller by clicking on the '-' option to make it smaller. It now sits on the left within the blog post and the text wraps around it. I have also added a caption.

So now you can create your blog post, give it a heading, and add an image with a caption. The next step is to make sure you only allow people you know and trust to read your blog. Your next task is to make your blog private, using our *How2 set privacy settings in WordPress.*