



Department for Education (South Australia)

The **Department for Education (South Australia)** is a state [government](#) department delivering school education throughout the state. [Education in Australia](#) at school level is managed by each state, though the Commonwealth government makes a significant contribution. The Department was established through the Education Act of 1875 which allowed for the establishment of public schools and contained provisions for compulsory schooling of children aged between 7 and 13.^[1] As the state grew quickly into the 20th Century the Education Department expanded across the very large rural areas of the state. Post World War 2, rising birth rates, large scale immigration immigration and increasing demand for secondary education led to very rapid growth in the Department. The number of [Private schools](#) grew in this period and with increasing State aid provided growing competition for the State education sector. In the post war period several of large reviews of education have

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Agency overview

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Wikipedia Editing

The Wikipedia is always in need of more editors to improve and update the world's biggest encyclopaedia. There is a particular need for women editors. This session is aimed at encouraging new editors to start contributing.

There is a well established set of protocols for editing that are strongly based on cooperation. Technically, editing is very easy. The image above shows the visual editing tool-bar, which looks like standard word-processing options. Anyone can add a missing comma to an article, or make more significant changes. If the article is one that is closely followed, changes might be quickly reversed, or added to. Consensus rules.

Editors fall into two broad categories.

- Those who have good knowledge of particular topics and mainly spend time updating and expanding entries based on their particular knowledge, and,
- those who mainly tidy up and improve articles by improving expression, adding references and so on.

Often an editor does both of these.

The presentation covers the technical aspects of editing. How to add references, how to maintain the Wikipedia 'tone' of a neutral point of view (NPOV) and so on. More importantly, it covers how judge the relevance of information and its reliability, and how to add references which provide credibility to an article. Adding new articles is addressed including how to assess whether an article is notable enough to warrant inclusion. A web site is provided with notes and supporting links.

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