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Blogging and SEO Advice

Do you want to start your own blog, but not sure what to write? Well, here are some things you need to know...

BLOGGING:

- 1. Opening paragraph needs to include your focus keyword
- 2. Body should be broken down into bullet points, numbers, or subheadings. That way, if the reader skims, they absorb the main point
- 3. Use your social media lives or podcast for inspiration or a direct transcription
- 4. Research Google for ideas to overcome writer's block by checking out other blogs, Pinterest boards, etc.
- 5. Guest blogging can help expand visibility. Collaboration is key!
- 6. Publish 2 post per week if you're just starting to write. If you're established, then 1 post per week is sufficient
- 7. Word count for a blog is typically between 300-600, whereas an article is much longer up to 1K
- 8. Tone of voice for a blog can be a diary/opinion form versus an article is much more factual/citations
- 9. You might want to connect (aka hyperlink) one blog post to another, so that it's not orphaned content
- 10. When choosing a featured image for your blog, make sure that the picture is not only high quality, but royalty free as well

Ready to conquer the written word?



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Do you want to learn what SEO stands for and how to optimize it? Do you need WordPress and plugin tips? Here's what you need to know...

Search Engine Optimization: (SEO)

- Yoast Plugin once downloaded will help guide you through the SEO process, only available in WordPress
- 2. Focus Keyword ties together the SEO title and meta description. Basically, it's the entire focus of your blog post and SEO
- 3. SEO title primary job is to tell visitors and search engines what they can expect from the web page (in the most concise way)
- 4. Meta Description describes the content of your page for the benefit of users and search engines
- 5. Slug is the URL, which is generated/connected to the blog title, but you should delete smaller words like... the, a, and, at...
- 6. Internal/External links are best in the last paragraph and it's an opportunity to showcase your social media platforms and your service/product/contact pages
- 7. Image are best when the alt description is filled in with the focus keyword
- 8. Text Length: 250 minimum, 300+ is much better for the word count
- 9. Tags are like hashtags
- 10. Categories help you to classify your posts, so that readers can search them using the widget

Ready to conquer keyword ranking?

