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| <p><b>Step 1</b><br/>Log on to <a href="http://www.wordpress.com">http://www.wordpress.com</a></p>  |    |
| <p><b>Step 2</b><br/>Click on the badge that says “Start your WordPress Blog”.</p>  |    |
| <p><b>Step 3</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a username that will be associated with your WordPress account.</li> <li>• Enter a valid email address.</li> <li>• Check the Legal flotsam.</li> <li>• Be sure that “Gimme a blog” is checked.</li> <li>• Click “Next”.</li> </ul>   | <p><b>Get your own WordPress.com account in seconds</b><br/>Fill out this one-step form and you'll be blogging seconds later!</p> <p>➔ Username: <input type="text" value="myusername"/><br/><small>(Must be at least 4 characters, letters and numbers only.)</small></p> <p>➔ Email Address: <input type="text" value="my@email.com"/><br/><small>(We'll send your password to this address, so triple-check it.)</small></p> <p>★ Legal flotsam: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I have read and agree to the fascinating terms of service.</p> <p>➔ <input checked="" type="radio"/> Gimme a blog! (Like username.wordpress.com)<br/><input type="radio"/> Just a username, please.</p> <p>➔ <input type="button" value="Next »"/></p> |
| <p><b>Step 4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create your Blog Domain (this will be the web address that your readers will enter to view your blog. It's a good idea to make it easy for people to remember).</li> <li>• Create a cool title for your blog.</li> <li>• Select the primary language you'll be writing in.</li> <li>• Choose whether or not you wish for your blog to appear in various search engines.</li> <li>• Click “Signup”.</li> </ul> | <p>➔ Blog Domain: <input type="text" value="myURL.wordpress.com"/><br/><small>(Your address will be domain.wordpress.com. It must be at least 4 characters, letters and numbers only. It cannot be changed so choose carefully!)</small></p> <p>➔ Blog Title: <input type="text" value="My Cool Blog Title"/></p> <p>Language: What language will you be primarily blogging in?<br/><input type="text" value="en-English"/> ➔</p> <p>★ Privacy: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I would like my blog to appear in search engines like Google and Technorati, and in public listings around WordPress.com.</p> <p><input type="button" value="Signup »"/></p>   |
| <p><b>Step 5</b><br/>A message will be sent to the email address you provided that will allow you to activate your account.</p>   | <p><b>Check Your Email to Complete Registration</b></p> <p>An email has been sent to <b>my@email.com</b> to activate your account. Check your inbox and click the message. It should arrive within 30 minutes.</p> <p>If you do not activate your account within two days, you will have to sign up again.</p>   |
| <p><b>Step 6</b><br/>Access you email and open the message from WordPress. Click on the link in the email to activate your account. You will receive another email shortly that contains your login information.</p>  | <p>To activate your blog, please click the following link:<br/><a href="http://wordpress.com/activate/3fae46b4dbca51ed">http://wordpress.com/activate/3fae46b4dbca51ed</a></p> <p>After you activate, you will receive “another email” with your login.</p>  |

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| <p><b>Step 7</b><br/>The second email contains your username and password. Write this down and keep it someplace safe.</p>                  | <p>Your new Wordpress.com blog has been successfully set up.</p> <p>You can log in with the following information:<br/>Username: <b>myusername</b><br/>Password: <b>XXXXXX</b><br/>at <a href="http://wordpress.com">http://wordpress.com</a></p> |
| <p><b>Step 8</b><br/>Go to your blog by typing the unique URL you created in Step 4 into your browser's address bar.</p>                    |   |
| <p><b>Step 9</b><br/>In order to post articles to your blog you must click on the "Login" under the Meta category.</p>                      |   |
| <p><b>Step 10</b><br/>Enter your username and Password then click "Login".</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Have fun blogging!</b></p> |    |