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- Cleaning out the stuff that is installed by default.
- Finding and installing Wordpress themes to instantly change the look and feel of your website.
- Plugins. What they are and how you can use them to create magnificent websites.
- How to update Wordpress, themes and plugins.
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- The importance of user profiles, and how to assign a "Gravatar" image to your email address.

- How to create great navigation systems on your site, with custom menus, internal linking and related post sections.
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- Setup good SEO practices.
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