

Accordions: Start with Blurbs

Accordions on the website are populated with content from **Blurbs**. Blurbs are pieces of information that you want to be dynamic. It can be a sentence (like our FAQ or Helpful Blurbs) or a block of information in a longer FAQ.

To get started, create a new Blurb type for your accordion. Access it from the list of blurbs and begin adding blurbs to it.

Make sure your blurb is marked “live” — not “hidden.” You can also apply tags as you create your blurb.

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Blurbs' interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Welcome', 'Pages', 'News', 'Events', 'Galleries', 'Forms', 'Blurbs', and 'Profiles'. Below this, there are sub-links for 'Your Blurbs' and 'Find Blurbs'. The main heading is 'Manage Blurb Types' with a button 'Add a new blurb type' and a link 'What are blurbs?'. Below the heading, there is a search bar with 'With checked items...' and a 'Go' button. A list of blurb types is shown: 'FAQ 2 blurbs', 'Helpful 0 blurbs', and 'Top 3 Questions 3 blurbs'. Each item has a 'Blurb type details' link.

Add blurb type or cancel and go back

Accordion Blurbs

Save this blurb type or cancel and go back

Edit a blurb or cancel and go back

George Washington

- ★ Star content to be called out or featured on the public site
- 🔗 Share content to allow borrowing and reuse by other content managers

Blurb body

B I U Paragraph HTML

Add:

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Plot this blurb on a map?

Create a new Place
or Show all places

Suggest this item to the following group(s):

Show all groups
 Auto-accept as live

Save this blurb or cancel and go back

Blurbs can contain anything

Last modified at 10:36am today by CRM Lindsay.
Restore an earlier version

This blurb is **Live** Delete blurb
and **Not archived**

Tags Applied

Show all tags Separate tags with commas

Blurb date

09/20/2013

Related content

Add a link to a web address, news story, event, gallery, file, or profile.

Drat! My blurbs aren't in the correct order!

Blurbs default to alphabetical order. You can adjust their order by adding balloons to float them into the right order.

With checked items... Go Select all Standard | Compact

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 September 20, 2012
 Preview

★ Live **Thomas Jefferson**
 Thomas Jefferson (April 13, 1743 (April 2, 1743 O.S.) – July 4, 1826) was an American Founding Father, the principal author of the Declaration of Independence (1776) and the third President of the United States (1801–1809). He was a spokesman for democracy and the rights of man with worldwide influence. At the beginning of the American Revolution, he served in the Continental Congress, representing Virginia and then served as a wartime Governor of Virginia (1779–1781). Just after the war ended, from mid-1784 Jefferson served as a diplomat, stationed in Paris. In May 1785, he became the United States Minister to France.
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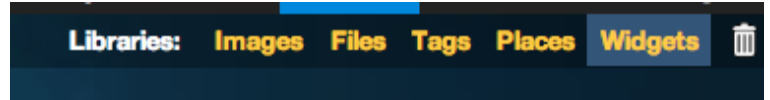
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I have my Blurbs, now what?

Now it's time to make the widget!

Widgets can be found in your libraries, in the top right corner.

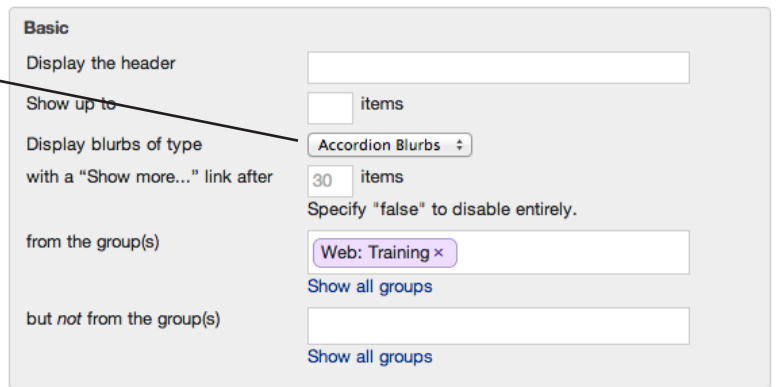
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Add a new widget or cancel and go back



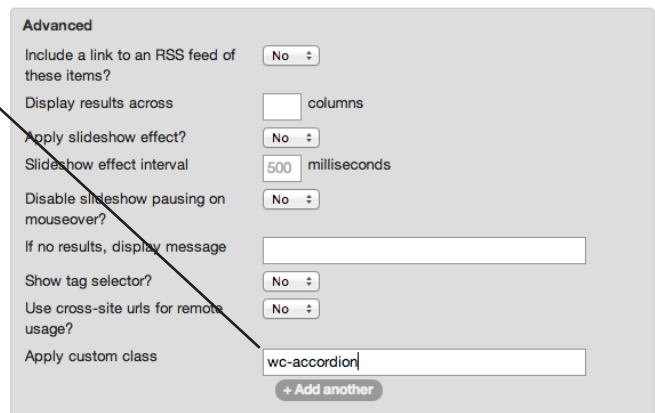
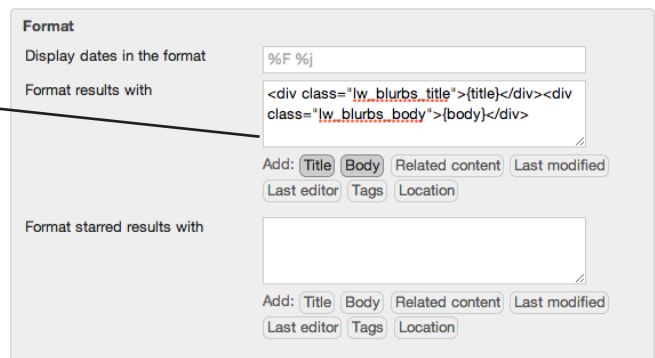
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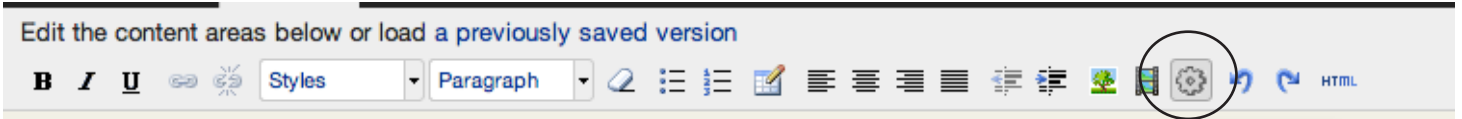
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And, in the advanced box, add this custom class:

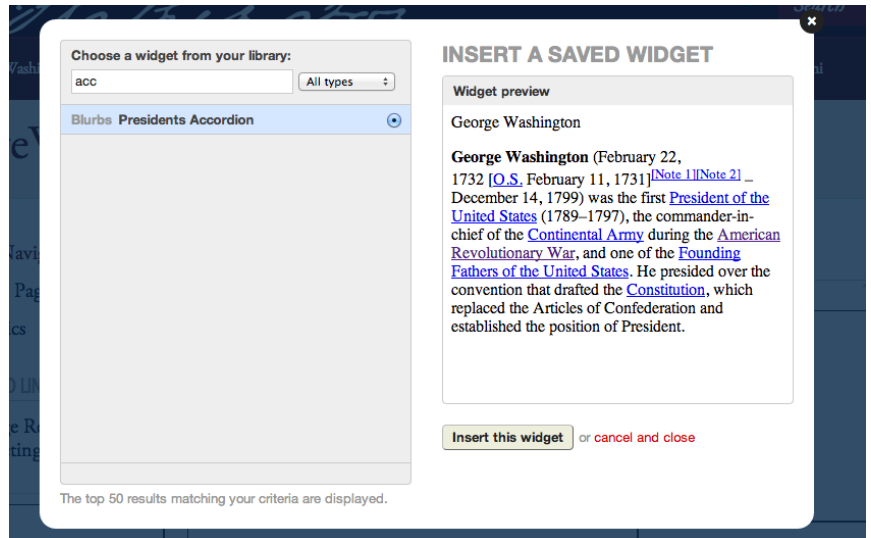
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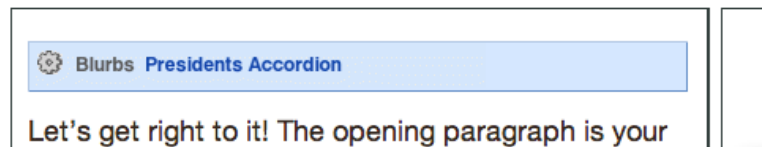
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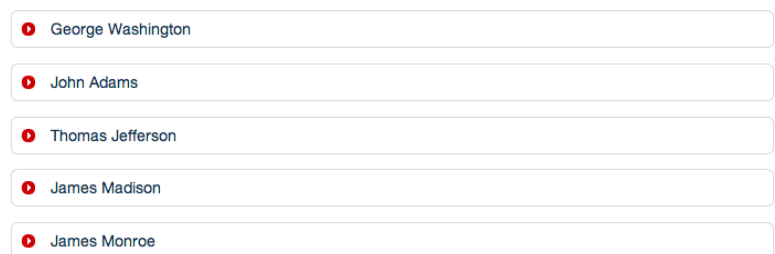
Use the gear icon to add a widget to your page. You can start typing the name to find it quickly. Click Insert this widget.



The widget will show as a blue box until you save and publish your page.



After you save and publish your page, the contents of your blurbs may show up without being in an accordion. You will need to **refresh your page** for the code to apply and your accordion to work.



Let's get right to it! The opening paragraph is your introduction to what