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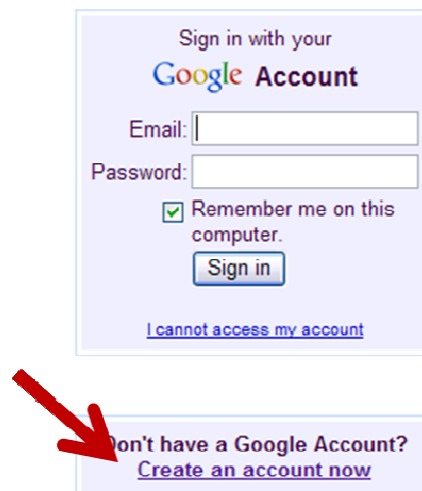
Step 1: Create a Google account (if you don't have one already).

Note: If you already have a Google account, then skip to **Step 2: Create a blog** on page 2.

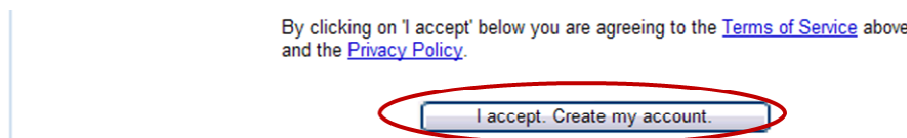
1. Open your web browser and go to <http://www.google.com>.
2. Click **Sign in**.



3. Click **Create an account now**.



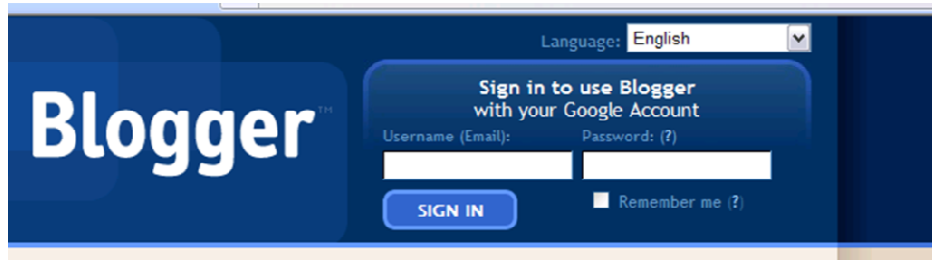
4. Enter your Monmouth College e-mail address. (Your email address becomes your Google user name. Please do not enter a personal e-mail address, such as "musiclover@hotmail.com" or "beachbum700@yahoo.com," as this will result in an unprofessional sounding Google user name.)
5. Complete the rest of the application, read the **Terms of Service**, and then click the **I accept. Create my account** button.



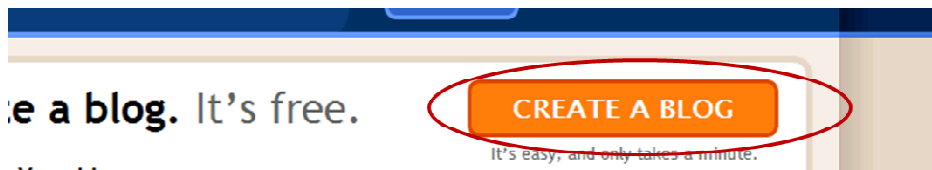
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Step 2: Create a blog.

1. Open your web browser and go to <https://www.blogger.com>.
2. Enter your Google username and password and then click **Sign In**.



3. Click **Create a Blog**.



4. In the **Blog title** field, enter a descriptive title for your blog (e.g., REU: University of Nebraska).

Blog title	<input type="text" value="REU: University of Nebraska"/>
	Your blog's title will appear on your published profile.

5. In the **Blog address** field, enter an address for your blog. (Try to create a blog address that is somehow related to the blog or blog title.)

Blog address (URL)	<input type="text" value="http://janedoe-reu09"/> .blogspot.com
	Check Availability
	The URL you select will be used by visitors to access your blog. Learn more

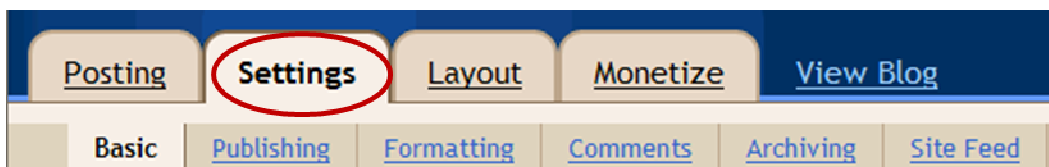
6. Under **Word Verification**, type the characters provided.
7. Click **Continue**.

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8. Select a template. (You can change the template later at any time.)
9. Click **Continue**.
10. Click **Start Blogging**.

Step 3: Configure your blog.

1. Click on the **Settings** tab.



2. In the **Description** field, enter a short project description that includes the type of program, name of institution, department, and advisor.

Note: There are many more options on this page. You can leave the options set to their default values or change them.

3. Click **Save Settings** at the bottom of the page.
4. Under the **Settings** tab, click **Comments**.



5. If desired, change the **Who Can Comment** setting to **Anyone**.

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6. Click **Save Settings** at the bottom of the page.
7. Click on the **Layout** tab.

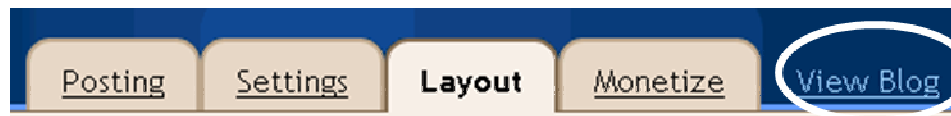
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8. Under **Followers**, click **Edit**.



9. Click **Remove** in the lower-left corner.
10. Click on the **OK** button.
11. Click **Save** in the upper-right corner.
12. Click **View Blog** next to the **Monetize** tab.



Step 4: If desired, enter About Me information.

Note: This step is entirely optional.

1. On your blog home page, underneath **View my complete profile**, click on the tools icon.

View my complete profile



2. In the **Description** field, enter information about yourself.
3. Click **Save** in the lower-right corner.