

Comparison between Multiple Blog and Wiki Platforms

BLOG PLATFORMS (public/private): (Goal: interactive communication)

WordPress.com	Kidblog.org	Blogger (Google)	Classblogmeister
• 3 GB storage	• 100 MB storage	1 GB storage; 8 mg image upload	?
• 99 themes	• 2 simple themes	• 11 themes; colour changes in frames	• 3 column template; Colour changes
• Widgets	• None	• Widgets (some)	
	• No ads		• No ads
• Users added must have email address and account setup (multi level possible access)	• Membership by administrator setup; simple login from list	• Memberships (multi-level –must have google acct)/ up to 100 authors/readers	• Memberships by administrator setup
• Comments can be moderated	• Comments can be moderated	• Comments can be moderated	• All comments are moderated
• Import/export other blogs			
• Public or private access	• Education only (private; semi-public)	• public; (13 years old to use)	• Education only
• Upgrade 5 GB; 40 GB	• no upgrade	• Upgrade 5 GB	
• Rss feed	• Extremely easy to use	Rss feed	☺ very easy to learn especially young students
☺ professional look (educational upgrade-no ads)	☺ Multiple classes, insert html plugins	☺ next blog button (any)	☺ very small font size

***Recommend: WordPress**

WIKI PLATFORMS (public/private): (Goal – collaboration)

pbworks.com (Basic - Education)	wikispaces.com (Basic)
• 2 GB storage	• (educ plan) 2 GB storage/ 10 Mb max. file upload
• 9 Themes (colours)	• 14 themes (colours)
• rss feed (reader/email)	• Rss; Ads-banner; (Plus Education plan – no ads)
• Multiple levels of security (admin, editor, writer, contributor, reader) across all pages; Public/private access	• Security levels: Organizer/member (custom permissions only on paid upgrade); • Public/private access
• Comment moderation	
• Student wikis (no need for email – will generate within or can load; teacher controls login id/pw)	• Up to 100 student wikis (need to create email); can create bulk users
• Students cannot change id once set by teacher	• Students can change user id/pw
• Basic – writers can edit all pages; not able to lock/hide pages (Premium upgrade – page security provided)	• Pages can be locked by teacher
• Supports plugin uploads (multiple)	• Supports plugin uploads (multiple)