





What is a CMS?

- A **CMS** or content management system is a system implemented to:
- Allow multiple users to edit and manipulate information
- Easily maintain lots of data.
- Manage which users get access to which information.





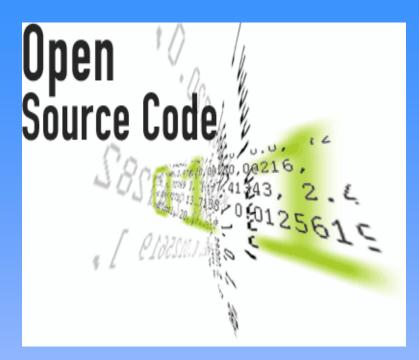
What is Drupal?

Drupal is a CMS used for websites. Drupal has many advantages over other web based CMSes. It allows for the easy management of websites. Lets **explore the top 10 reasons** for using Drupal for your site.

1. It's Free

Unlike commercial alternatives Drupal has no licensing costs or any costs to use. You don't have to pay royalties or any other payment to use Drupal. Its 100% free. Just as in life, the best things are always free.





2. No Limitations

Drupal, unlike commercial alternatives, is open source. Open source software lets you see the source code. This means you could tailor Drupal code to meet your needs. Plus, you don't have to wait for a feature to be added, you could add it yourself.

3. Open Source

Community

Since Drupal is open source, an entire community behind it develops it. The same community that develops it also helps answer technical questions about Drupal. Also, there is no danger of Drupal going "bankrupt" since it is not a corporation.



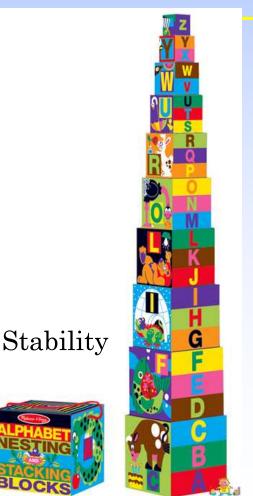
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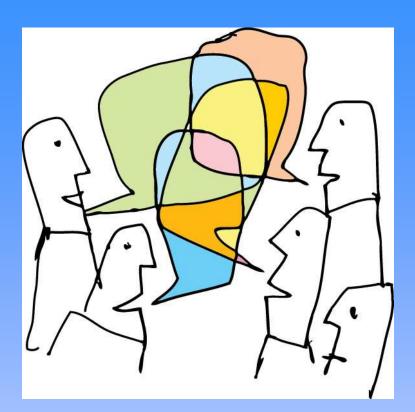
4. Modules

Drupal has modules, or extensions that increase Drupal's functionality. Need a forum or a weblog, no worries, there's a module for that. There's modules for virtually everything and you can even make your own custom modules.

5. Stability

Drupal has been developed for a long time. Bugs in Drupal are always fixed and are virtually nonexistent. With Drupal you could also say goodbye to site crashes and losing customers/users. Drupal is probably the most stable CMS out there.





6. It's Social

Drupal has many integrated social features like user control. You can assign roles to users like administrator, moderator or editor. Only the sky is the limit. Using Drupal's modules you can also add a blog or a forum.

7. SEO Optimization

Drupal is one of the most search engine friendly CMSes there are. Drupal **makes clean site URLs** which are **easily read**. Drupal doesn't have long and illegible URLs like other CMSes. Drupal also integrates **CSS code** which decreases page and code clutter and **allows search engines to index your site easily**.



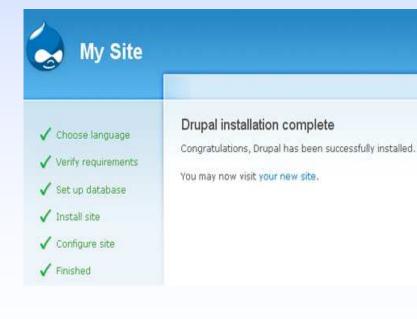


8. Themes

Drupal uses a system of themes in order to standardize the design of the site. CSS code is used and everything is in the same design. Everything is structured and easy to maintain/change.

9. Easy Installation

You don't need nine developers, three network engineers and a web designer to install Drupal. In fact you only need a little bit of time. Drupal has an installation script that does all the heavy lifting. All you need to do is follow four simple steps. Installing Drupal is a simple and pain free process.





10. Popularity

Drupal is used by many organizations and companies around the world including The White House, the New York Senate, MTV UK, Rutgers University and the London Government.

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