

Really Simple SEO

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Google Search – Mission

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Our mission is to organise the world's information and make it universally accessible and useful.



Google Search – How does it work?

The world's largest library

Our Search index is like a library, except it contains more information than all the world's libraries put together.

We're constantly adding to it and updating it with data about web pages, images, books, videos, facts and much more.

Learn more about organising information



https://www.google.com/search/howsearchworks/how-search-works/



Indexing Exercise

So how will Google find your website?

Your Top Content Topics

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How to help Google index your website

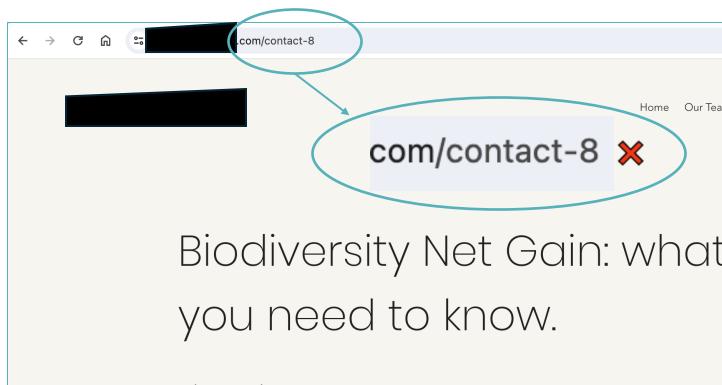
- Page names*
- H-tags*
- Keywords/phrases
- Quality content*
- Topic clusters*
- Specificity

- Links: internal/external
- Images with tags/meta data
- Videos with tags/meta data
- Page descriptions
- Sitemap index file
- Use free boosters*



Page names

- Give the page a name that's relevant to the page's content
- This is your best opportunity for top-down indexing
- Keep it short
- If you're re-naming, don't lose existing links!



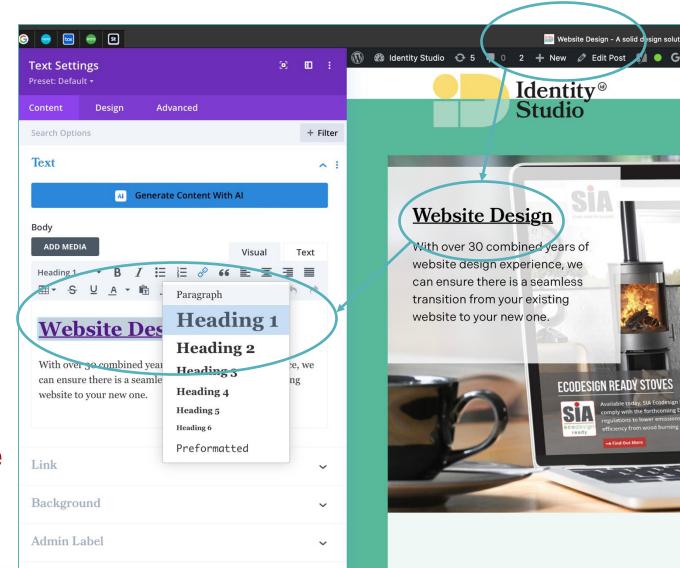
What is Biodiversity Net Gain?

Biodiversity Net Gain, or BNG, is the practice of leaving our landscape in a better condition than we found it in. As part of the government's 25 Year Environment Plan new legislation requires developers to achieve 10% BNG, which means that a 10% increase of the baseline biodiversity value of the site must be reached following the development. This can be achieved by delivering biodiversity gains onsite, offsite, purchasing BNG Units and finally, purchasing Statutory Credits.



H-tags

- Main text heading reflects the page content & page name.
- An HTML H1 tag helps to indicate the page's primary topic to visitors and search engines. It 'tells' Google that the subject is important & relevant.
- Don't use H1 tags elsewhere on the same page and don't be tempted to freestyle it!



Quality Content

- Use fresh, specific, keywordrich text.
- But don't overuse your keywords.
- Don't copy and paste text from other websites. Google will penalize your listing due to cloned content.



"Wagstaffs is a customer-led organisation with a focus on providing a high-quality service, in addition to industryleading products, to all our clients."

Topic clusters

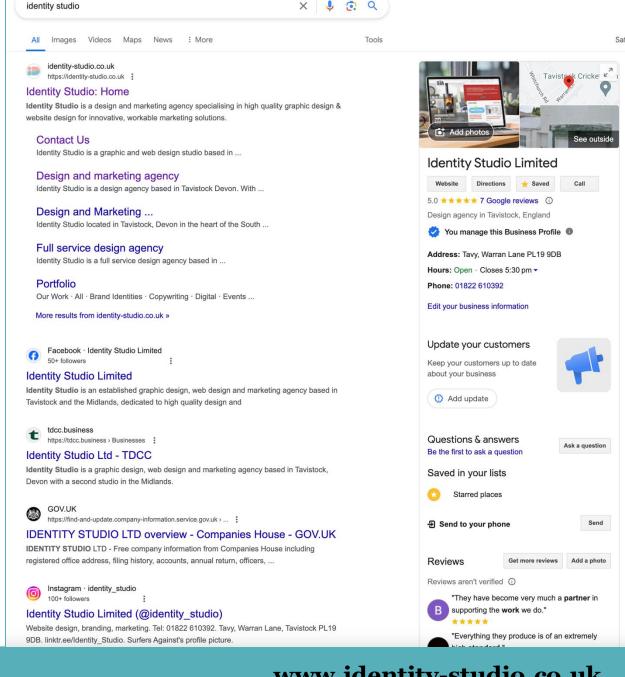
- A topic cluster (or content cluster) is a group of inter-connected, subject-related pages.
- An effective topic cluster strategy can help with SEO.
- The more quality content you publish on a relevant topic, the more keywords (search queries) you can rank for. And the more topical authority you can build.





FREE(ish) Boosters

- Write fresh, relevant, subject-specific content
- Google Business Profile
- Google Reviews
- Register your business details on (local) directory websites e.g. Yell, Chamber
- SEO tools e.g. Yoast



Google Search – Summary

- Remember, when an internet user conducts a search, Google wants to rank results that demonstrate:
 - Quality of content does your website demonstrate <u>expertise</u>, <u>authority</u> and <u>trustworthiness</u>?
 - Usability of web pages is your website <u>mobile-friendly</u> and have <u>quick page</u> <u>loading speeds</u>?
 - Relevance does your website's <u>indexed content</u> match the user's search term?
 - Understanding of the search query it has machine-learning capability to build language models e.g. change a light bulb, change foreign currency, change brightness on a laptop.
 - Context and settings <u>location</u>, language, user settings





Thank you & Questions

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