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Handling Vandalism on Wikipedia

Wikipedia relies on collaboration and volunteer contributions.

Unfortunately, this open platform also attracts vandalism and unwanted edits. Let's explore how we can combat vandalism and what tools are available to help maintain its accuracy.

Motivations of a Vandal

Boredom

Some people just want to cause mischief or have fun. This is often the case with short, meaningless edits, like inserting nonsense words.

Political

Others aim to push a particular agenda. They might add biased information or delete dissenting viewpoints, manipulating the information to support their views.

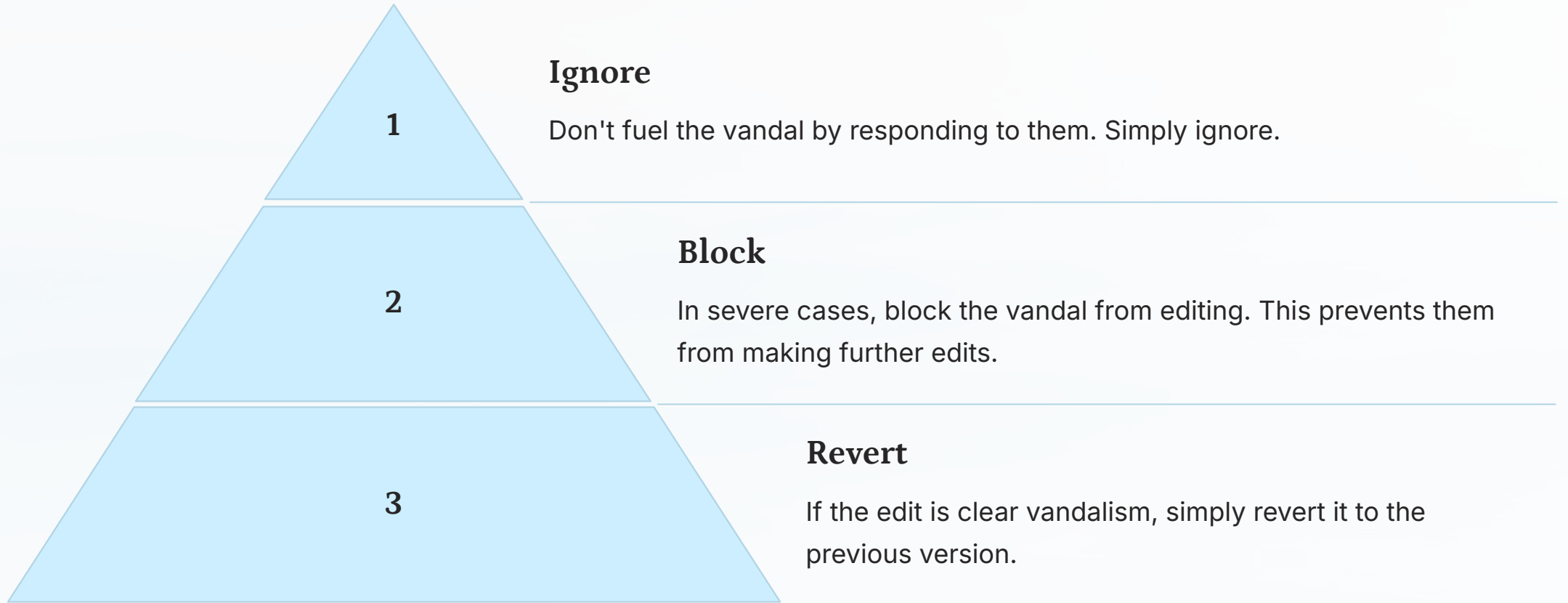
Personal Vendetta

Sometimes, people target specific individuals or organizations. They might insert false information or make offensive edits.

Attention Seeking

Vandals might simply want to be noticed. They might add inappropriate humor to articles that are likely to be read by a larger audience.

Wikipedia Essay: Deny Recognition to Vandals





Identifying Types of Vandalism

Blanking

Removing all the content from a page or section.

Insertion

Adding irrelevant or nonsensical content to a page.

Deletion

Removing accurate information from a page.

Spam

Adding promotional content for a product or service.

The Rollback Permission

1 Revert Power

Rollback allows editors to revert multiple edits in an instant.

2 Speed and Efficiency

Rollback is a quick and efficient way to handle simple vandalism.

3 Dependency

Some counter-vandalism tools require the user to possess the rollback user right to use the tool.




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Line 32: | nationalteam-update = 21:35, 15 November 2024 (UTC)
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'''Pedro Lomba Neto''' ({{IPA|pt-PT|'peðɾu 'netu|lang}}; born 9 March 2000) is a Portuguese professional [[Association football|footballer]] who plays as a [[Winger (association football)|winger]] for {{English football updater|Chelsea}} club [[Chelsea F.C.|Chelsea]] and the [[Portugal national football team|Portugal national team]].
  
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Warn and revert

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Spam links	1	2	3	4	4im	?
Unsourced	1	2	3	4		?
Editing tests	1	2	3	4		?
Commentary	1	2	3	4		?
POV	1	2	3	4		?
Errors	1	2	3	4		?
Owning	1	2	3	4		?

Reviewing and Revert Vandalism



Review

Before reverting an edit, carefully review it. Look for context, potential misunderstandings, or legitimate edits.



Revert

If it's clear vandalism, revert the edit by clicking the revert button.



Comment

Leave a brief explanation for your revert. This helps other editors understand why you reverted the edit.

Introduction to Twinkle Tool for Wikipedia

1

Automated Reverts

Twinkle automates common tasks like reverting vandalism, adding tags, and warning vandals.

2

Multiple Functions

It provides a streamlined interface for various tasks, simplifying the process of handling vandalism.

3

Enhanced Efficiency

Twinkle makes reverting edits much faster and more efficient, saving time and effort.

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Introduction to UltraViolet/RedWarn Tool for Wikipedia

1

User Friendly

Using UltraViolet/RedWarn is comparatively easier than manually reverting and warning the vandal.

2

Quick and Efficient

Potential vandalism can be reverted in an instant.

3

Built for anyone

Anyone can use the tool even without having the Rollback user right.

Introduction to AntiVandal Tool for Wikipedia

1

Real-time Monitoring

It analyzes recent changes for problematic edits. The edits that match specific abuse patterns, such as inserting nonsense words are then highlighted for action.

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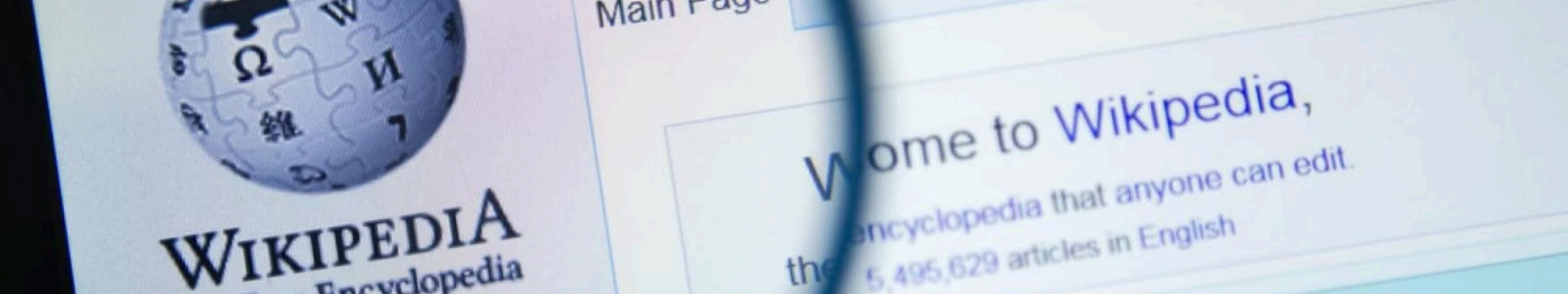
Useful Interface

The UI of Antivandal is similar to Huggle, but unlike Huggle, AV can be used directly from the browser window.

3

Extremely Efficient

AntiVandal provides a one-stop counter-vandalism package.



Conclusion

Wikipedia's open and collaborative nature is its strength, but it also poses challenges. By understanding vandalism motivations, utilizing tools like Rollback, Twinkle, UltraViolet/RedWarn, and AntiVandal, and working together as a community, we can protect Wikipedia's integrity and ensure its accuracy for everyone.