

# Drupal 101: Drupal Basics

*or*

How you had a website,  
and you needed a system,  
to manage your content  
Drrruuuuuuuupaaaal.



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- Installing Drupal
- A quick look at the Drupal file system
- Installing “contrib” modules and themes
- A walk through basic administration tasks

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## Installing Drupal

- Download Drupal
- Click Install



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Just Kidding!



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## Installing Drupal

- It's not that simple.
- It's easier than it used to be.
- Common hang ups—
  - 3 (or so) usernames/passwords needed
  - Cryptic errors
  - You're running windows



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## Installation Demonstration



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## Installing Drupal

### If you're having problems:

- **I'm sorry.** (it will work with enough swearing)  
A new error is a good error--Google is your friend.
- Acquia Stack Installer  
<http://acquia.com/downloads> (all platforms)
- VMware Player  
<http://www.vmware.com/products/player/>



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## Installing Contrib

- Put the files in the right place.
- Don't Hack Core  
You'll kill kittens
- Example:  
/sites/default/modules  
/sites/all/modules  
/sites/example.com/modules



*(replace "modules" with "themes" if you're dealing with themes)*

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## Installing Contrib

### Contrib Installation Demonstration



"Okay your father managed to get a mouse. Now how do we use it?"

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## Basic Administration Tasks

- Users Have Roles
- Roles have different permissions
- The Permissions Matrix of DEATH!



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## Basic Administration Tasks

- Permissions are cumulative  
(if a user is an XXX or a YYY they're also an Authenticated user.)
- User #1 bypasses permissions  
(Can do anything, always)
- Pay attention! New permissions “appear” when you install new modules.

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## Basic Administration Tasks

Let's make some content!



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The background features a stylized illustration of a forest with various shades of green and yellow trees. In the upper left, there is a bright sun and a single water drop. In the upper right, a hot air balloon is visible. The overall scene is bright and cheerful.

Questions?

Comments?

Smart Remarks?