Create Wikipedia Page Links
to Librivox Authors and Books

This worksheet instructs Librivox volunteers how to properly link LV audiobooks to a Wikipedia Author and/or Book page (if available), and report the link created back to the LV team that tracks them. Search in the Librivox Wiki for "Wikipedia Links" to access these instructions and the video tutorial. Before you begin, be sure to read this IMPORTANT NOTICE.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE: Wikipedia, careful not to become a "link farm"; is always on the lookout for self-promoting spammers. If you volunteer to create links on Wikipedia pages which point back to Librivox projects, here are the essential principles you must adhere to:

▪ GOOD – To add links, become a Wikipedia member with a username and password – it's free and only takes a minute. Guest edits may be viewed with suspicion.
▪ GOOD - a link from a Wikipedia BOOK page to an LV page containing all iterations of that book (or poem). NOT GOOD - linking to a specific book
▪ GOOD - a link from a Wikipedia AUTHOR page to an LV page which lists all books/stories by that author.
▪ NOT GOOD - a link from a book title on a Wikipedia AUTHOR page to a specific LV boo
▪ NOT GOOD. A link about, say, a collection of poems to ONE poem at LV.
▪ GOOD - use the approved "explanation of edit" language: (copy and paste: "External Link - add Librivox author template" OR "External Link - add Librivox audiobook template".
▪ DO NOT CHECK "this is a minor edit". Wikipedia considers adding links to be a major edit.
▪ DEFINITELY AVOID adding many links from many different pages, to one LV site, all at once - this sets off linkspam radar.
▪ If your LV link gets removed, DO NOT revert the deletions ... that is not viewed well in Wikipedia land. Report any such issues on the Working Thread and let the team leaders try to resolve it.

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TO CREATE A LINK:
Open a catalogued Librivox project, look in the lower left column for a Wikipedia Author link and/or a Wikipedia Book link. If available, click on one of them. **When it opens . . . . .**
Check near the bottom of the Wikipedia page for the heading **External Links** (or create one, see below).
- Does the Wikipedia Author page have a link back to the Librivox Author page?
- Does the Wikipedia Book page have a link back to all Librivox Books by that name?
If not, follow these directions:

As you go, keep track of the Wikipedia URL you have edited , and the Book or Author URL you have linked to, plus Author and Book name. Report this information on the [LibriVox and Wikipedia Links (Working Thread)](), found at the top of the LV Forum: Volunteers Wanted: Other Librivox Projects

Create an Author Link:
1. Top of page: Sign in to Wikipedia as a member (it is easy and free to becoma member). Please do not edit as a guest.
2. Find the **External Links** heading (near bottom of page), click on (edit source), _or (edit) if a guest just to see how it works._
   NOTE: (If there is no External Links heading, make one. Click "edit" at the <u>top of the page</u>, scroll to under the last category and add the new category in by typing   **==External Links==**
3. Insert this template below the heading, and include the author's ID #:
   > ***{{Librivox author |id=#}}**
   >> _Example * {{Librivox author |id=**4400**}}_
   NOTE: Author's ID# can be found by 1.) hovering over the Authors name in the catalogued project and viewing the number in lower left corner of page, OR 2.) search Author Name on Librivox Home Page. The ID# is in the URL. Example: Searching Hermann Hesse from the LV Home Page takes you to:

https://librivox.org/author/**4400**?primary_key=4400&search_category=author&search_page=1&search_form=get_results
4400 is the ID#
Text generated from the template looks like this:
Works by Hermann Hesse at **LibriVox** (public domain audiobooks) 🔊

4. To explain your edit, copy and paste **"add Librivox author template"**
5. Scroll down to "Preview Changes". Click. Make sure your link shows up on its own separate line, in the right place, and clicking it takes you to LV's author page. If a pop up box asks, say "Yes, leave the page". Check the work. Click your back arrow to get back to the preview page.
6. Click "Publish Changes"
7. On the next page, if asked, type in the computer-generated word. Click "Publish Changes" again.
8. Post your work to the Working Thread (instructions below).

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Create a Book Link:
Steps almost identical to the above, except check your catalog page for a link to the Book.
1. Copy and paste the following text on its own line, under External Links.
    *{{librivox book | title=Title | author=Author's Name}}
2. Fill in the book title where it says **Title**, and the author where it says **Author's Name** (spelling must be exact).
    *Example: *{{librivox book | title=**Dred, A Tale of the Great Dismal Swamp** | author=**Harriet Beecher Stowe}}***
    NOTE: This code must link to the Librivox page showing <u>all versions</u> of this book in our catalog, in all languages. We do not link to the book itself. Text generated looks like this:

    🔊 *Dred, A Tale of the Great Dismal Swamp* public domain audiobook at **LibriVox**
3. Scroll down to "Edit Summary (briefly describe your changes)", copy and paste **"add Librivox audiobook template"**
4. Repeat 5-8 as above.

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REPORT YOUR ADDED LINK to the LibriVox and Wikipedia Links (Working Thread), with this format:
    Volunteer:
    Book name:
    Author name:
    Wikipedia page linked from:
    Librivox page linked to:
    Linked on: 2/18/21
    Notes:

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TEMPLATES: ***{{Librivox author |id=#}}**
                   *{{librivox book | title=Title | author=Author's Name}}
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CREATING WIKIPEDIA PAGES:
If there is no Wikipedia page for your book or author, you might consider creating one, but this is beyond the scope of this project. Here are some links that might be useful.
Wikipedia's new LibriVox Book template: *https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Template:Librivox_book*
Wikipedia's new LibriVox Author template: *https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Template:Librivox_author*