

The Process of Enlargement of the Hebrew Wikipedia and Wiktionary in Different Areas of Knowledge

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The goal of this project is to enlarge the Hebrew Wikipedia and Wiktionary by spotting missing articles. As part of the cooperation between the Wikimedia Israel and the Ministry of Education school pupils will be asked to write new articles for Wikipedia and also for Wiktionary. For this purpose it is necessary to list missing articles in different areas of knowledge according to the educational curriculum. As part of the project, printed and electronic sources were consulted in order to locate missing articles in Wikipedia and in Wiktionary. Following Wikimedia Israel's request, missing articles were found in the Hebrew Wikipedia on the subject of the Geography of Israel, and missing articles in Wiktionary were found on the subject of Jewish proverbs. Furthermore, a list of subjects and bibliographic sources regarding Israeli History was also outlined. At the organization's request a detailed list was prepared for each task. These lists will be used by school teachers and pupils in classes on Hebrew Language, Geography, History and Bible Studies. New articles for the Hebrew Wikipedia and Wiktionary will be written by pupils during these classes under the supervision of their teachers. Comparison of information from different sources, missed information retrieval, data classification and clear presentation done during the project, enable fulfillment of missing information by knowledge acquisition for pupils, and also by making this information available for the Hebrew Wikipedia users. It will be possible to continue the project with the same subjects and also to spread it to other themes. The enlarging of Hebrew Wikipedia and Wiktionary is a real challenge for all those who understand the importance of knowledge and its propagation.