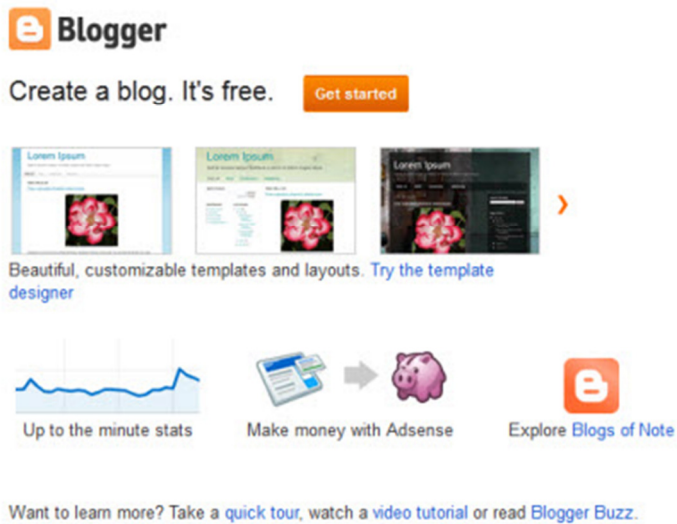


# Join a Community

If you do not already have a Google account then create one as follows. Otherwise sign in with your Google account details.

## Create a Google Account

1. Connect to the Internet and go to <http://www.blogger.com>
2. Click on **Get started**



3. Complete the details to create a Google Account

The image shows a screenshot of the Blogger "Create a Google Account" form. The form is titled "1 Create a Google Account" and includes the Google Accounts logo. It contains several input fields and checkboxes. The fields are: "Email address (must already exist)", "Retype email address", "Enter a password" (with a "Password strength" link), "Type password again", "Display name", "Gender" (dropdown), "Birthday" (with a format example "DD/MM/YYYY (e.g. '26/04 /2012)"), "Word Verification" (with a picture of the word "abdissi" and a text input field), and "Acceptance of Terms" (with a checkbox and a link to "Terms of Service"). A "CONTINUE" button is at the bottom right.

4. Here is an example of a completed form

**Blogger**

1 CREATE ACCOUNT 2 NAME BLOG 3 CHOOSE TEMPLATE

## 1 Create a Google Account

**Google Accounts**

This process will create a Google account that you can use on other Google services. If you already have a Google account perhaps from Gmail, Google Groups or Orkut, please [sign in first](#)

Email address (must already exist)  You will use this address to log in to Blogger and other Google services. We will never share it with third parties without your permission.

Retype email address  Type in your email address again to make sure there are no typos.

Enter a password  Password strength: **Strong** Must be at least 8 characters long.


Type password again


Display name  The name used to sign your blog posts.

Email notifications  Send me feature announcements, advice and other information to help me get the most out of my blog.


Gender

Birthday  DD/MM/YYYY (e.g. "26/04/2012")

Word Verification  Type the characters that you see in the picture to the left.



Acceptance of Terms  I accept the [Terms of Service](#) Indicate that you have read and that you understand Blogger's Terms of Service

**CONTINUE** 

## Invitation to join the blog as an author

You will be invited by the facilitator (blog owner) to join the group's community blog as an author. The following is a typical email message that you will receive:

The Blogger user Jo Bright has invited you to contribute to the blog: Jo Bright's Blog.

To contribute to this blog, visit:

<http://www.blogger.com/i.g?inviteID=4444935852369402155&blogID=548422439956694230>

You will need to sign in with a Google Account to confirm the invitation and start posting to this blog.

To learn more about Blogger and starting your own free blog visit <http://www.blogger.com>.

1. When you receive such an email message, click on the link in the third line to accept the invitation to the blog.
2. You will then be sent to a web page that looks as follows (next page):

Jo Bright has invited you to contribute to the blog

Jo Bright's Blog  
<http://jobright54.blogspot.com/>

To join this blog as an author, accept the invitation by signing in with your Google Account [here](#).

Do you not have a Google Account? [Create your account now](#)

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3. Sign in by clicking on **here**, using your Google account. If you have not yet created a Google account, click **Create your Google account now**.
4. You will then be asked to sign up for Blogger.
5. Complete the form to sign up for Blogger. Click **Continue** when complete.

The screenshot shows the Blogger sign-up interface. At the top, there's a blue header with the Blogger logo and the word 'Blogger'. Below the header, there are three steps: 1. SIGN UP, 2. NAME BLOG, and 3. CHOOSE TEMPLATE. The first step is active. The main content area is titled '1 Sign up for Blogger' and features the Google Accounts logo. A note states: 'Once you complete this process, you will be able to log in to Blogger using your Google account email and password.' The form fields are as follows: 'Email address' with 'jobrighton54@gmail.com' and a 'Use a different account' link; 'Your name' with 'Jo Brighton'; 'Display name' with 'Jo Bright' and a note 'The name used to sign your blog posts.'; 'Email notifications' with a checked box and text 'Send me feature announcements, advice and other information to help me get the most out of my blog.'; 'Gender' with a dropdown menu set to 'Male'; and 'Acceptance of Terms' with a checked box and text 'I accept the Terms of Service' and a link to 'Terms of Service'. A note on the right says 'Indicate that you have read and that you understand Blogger's Terms of Service'. At the bottom right, there is an orange arrow button labeled 'CONTINUE'.