Hello everyone and welcome to Weekend Testing Americas.

I'm Michael Larsen and I will be your facilitator today.

First things first. We have a lot of new people, so Introductions!!!

Chris McMahon: I'm Chris McMahon and I'm your technical resource

Mohinder Khosla: I am Mohinder from London

Lisa Crispin: hi Mohinder!

Jasminka Puskar: I am Jasminka from Sweden

Molnár Zoltán: hi, this is Zoltan from Budapest, Hungary

neerajguleria: I am Neeraj from India

*** Weekend Testers Americas added muttijo ***

Thomas Htwe: I'm Thomas Htwe from Frederick, Maryland USA

sowjanya.bitra: I am Sowjnaya from India

Mohinder Khosla: Software Tester for last 15 odd year and now freelancing in S/W testing

Teri Charles: I'm Teri Charles, a Software Tester in Boulder, Colorado.

Lisa Crispin: wow, nice international crowd!

Anna Liskovets: I'm Anna from California

Ranjit Shringarpure: Ranjit / @ranjitsh, Coventry, UK

Sirisha parsii: I'm Sririsha Parsi, Beginner, Minnesota

Ben Simo: Hi, this is Ben Simo, from Arizona.

As for me, Michael Larsen, in San Bruno, CA. WTA Facilitator. AST Board Member, Black Belt in the Miagi-dio school of Software Testing. Blog at mklttesthead.com, can be tweeted to at @mklttesthead.

Several of us are at the Telerik Testing Summit in Austin TX, and Chris McMahon is here with us, so we're joining in
[10:02:44 AM] Eugenia Yakhnin: I'm software tester from Toronto, Canada

[10:02:48 AM] muttijo: I'm Linda from Boulder, Colorado

[10:02:49 AM] Mohinder Khosla: Hi Ben, Good luck!

[10:03:01 AM] Dawn Code: I'm Dawn, from Raleigh, NC, and currently in a room with a bunch of other testing professionals in Austin (including Chris)

[10:03:24 AM] Thomas Htwe: Thanks Telerik for the AR Drone I won at StarEast 2012!

[10:03:55 AM] Rasmus Koorits: are we waiting for more people or am I in the wrong channel?

[10:04:03 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: So in honor of today's session, we will get WTA-27, "It's In the Way That You Use It", underway.

[10:04:11 AM] Chris McMahon: hi all

[10:04:20 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: (wave)


[10:04:25 AM] Jim Holmes: @Thomas: You're welcome! (I work for Telerik) Hope you're enjoying the drone. :)

[10:04:50 AM] Chris McMahon: I'd like to have WTAers read that, get set up, ask any questions you have

[10:05:11 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: for those who are first timers, we usually have targeted sessions based on a topic or concept that we want to cover. Today is a little different.

[10:05:31 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: We are actually doing pre-release testing of a live product with full cooperation from the organization.

[10:05:45 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: In this case, we are testing Wikimedia, and Chris is our product owner.

[10:05:55 AM] Chris McMahon: and the Wikimedia Foundation would like to thank you all for joining today!

[10:06:52 AM] Rasmus Koorits: (sorry, connection is terribly slow and a wall of text for five minutes just appeared on my screen. Will try to participate as much as the circumstances let me :))
[10:07:10 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: So there are lots of smaller charters in the plan. You can choose to pick and of those to work on. To keep things focused and to help those participating, if you have other avenues you would like to explore, please feel free to post them here and use the #charter hash tag.

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https://www.mediawiki.org/wiki/QA/WTA_Test_Plan  questions welcome!


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[10:09:58 AM] Lanette Creamer: Hi! I'm ready to do a charter.

[10:09:59 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: #WTA27 or #weekendtesting

[10:10:04 AM] Lanette Creamer: Anyone in person want to pair with me?

[10:10:30 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: To those who are first timers, we encourage everyone to pair test if they would like, or if they want to go it alone that's fine, too.

[10:10:33 AM] Sirisha parsi: yes, I do, @Lanette

[10:10:42 AM | Edited 10:10:47 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: We self organize here, so don't be shy :).

[10:10:44 AM] neerajguleria: yaa sure lanette i want too

[10:10:50 AM] Teri Charles: Hi Chris. So we're mostly doing ET on both versions or just the f2 version? Or should we be using the f1 version as the oracle for f2?

[10:10:52 AM] Lanette Creamer: I'm in Austin w a group, so going to find a pair here if I can first. THanks for the offer.

[10:11:01 AM] Mohinder Khosla: Have created an account but if the password is 6 char or less it does not create an account and no intelligent message is displayed approriate to the error

[10:11:35 AM] Lisa Crispin: ok, Dawn and I are going to test this:
[10:11:51 AM] Chris McMahon: Mohinder all bug reports are welcome. instructions for adding them are in the test plan

[10:11:56 AM] Sirisha parsi: @Lanette waiting for your reply

[10:12:56 AM] Lisa Crispin: which charter goes with that page?

[10:12:59 AM] Lanette Creamer: @Sirisha, No. In person only for this one. It's my first time doing Weekend Testing, so looking for IN PERSON only as I've got 10 folks in the room. :) Next time maybe?

[10:13:09 AM] Sirisha parsi: ok


[10:14:10 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Also, bugs can be filed in bugzilla (see plan for details) but if you want to keep focused on testing, feel free to use hash tags in the chat session and post the bugs later.

[10:14:23 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: #bug #issue #gripe, etc.

[10:15:09 AM] Teri Charles: Teri and Sirisha are going to pair up

[10:15:23 AM] Sirisha parsi: Thanks@Teri

[10:15:50 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Also, if you do have separate chats, that's fine, and you can use whatever tools help you communicate best. While we use chat only for the lain session, if you want to set up a Skype call with your pair, please feel free to do so.

[10:16:24 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Lanette, please feel free to summarize your group, and perhaps "introduce" them to the rest of us ;).

[10:16:43 AM] Lanette Creamer: @Chris What can we include in a bug report? Screenshot? URL, Video clip, Proxy tool log?

[10:16:45 AM] Chris McMahon: we just found some questionable pages on wikisource. if you want to discuss some page, post the URL

[10:16:53 AM] Chris McMahon: URL+ screen shot is ideal

[10:18:57 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Note from my end, the My pages are all "we don't have a page with that name".


[10:19:56 AM] Chris McMahon: Michael, you created an account?


[10:20:21 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: And clicked on mkltesthead to see what was available.

[10:21:03 AM] Molnár Zoltán: #gripe: what is the reason for capitalizing the first letter of username if an account is created?

[10:21:13 AM] Teri Charles: Michael, I'm seeing the same thing

[10:21:37 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: perhaps the preferences need to be filled out first?

[10:21:41 AM] Chris McMahon: First letter always has been capitalized. I don't know why :)

[10:21:43 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: exploring there, be right back...

[10:21:46 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: @michael / @teri, i dont - i do see a page saying no text

[10:22:03 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: but thats valid i guess

[10:22:25 AM] Chris McMahon: Michael, do you also have a link to "My talk"?

[10:23:31 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: I do, but I'm getting a no page there, too:


[10:23:50 AM] Chris McMahon: excellent. you can create those pages, go ahead

[10:24:46 AM | Edited 10:25:06 AM] Chris McMahon: MediaWiki UX is sketchy in places. Marlena says it "wants to make her stab her eyes out"

[10:24:54 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: @chris (hope you're the right person to direct this question to). why are there only limited number of languages

[10:25:04 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: under special characters?

[10:25:44 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: the preferences are interesting, I'm previewing the various layouts, and getting a bit of web 1.0 nostalgia :). It's just like I remember Wikipedia in the early days!


[10:26:33 AM] Chris McMahon: Ranjit, could you rephrase your question?
[10:26:55 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: ok
[10:27:17 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: i'm trying to edit my page using asian language(s)
[10:27:38 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: so i know three ; two of which follow same script
[10:27:45 AM] Chris McMahon: ok...
[10:27:47 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: considering hindi has over 100K articles
[10:27:54 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: and gujarati has about 22K
[10:28:04 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: how is it that I cant create an article in hindi
[10:28:06 AM] Chris McMahon: I follow...
[10:28:07 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: but can in gujarati
[10:28:15 AM] Chris McMahon: Ranjit, do you have a URL for me to check?
[10:28:40 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: look under special characters
[10:29:00 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: We have some late arrivals.
[10:29:19 AM] Chris McMahon: Ranjit, and you have changed your language preference also?
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[10:30:09 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: @chris, I've just saved the page

[10:30:34 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: i didnt look at the lang prefs; this was default ones i was shown

[10:30:37 AM] Lisa Crispin: so far, Dawn and I are finding the proofreading works as we think it should

[10:30:43 AM] Chris McMahon: on that page I see माले सम ""रगुलां" ने.

[10:30:44 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: or the default preferences

[10:30:48 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: correct

[10:30:57 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: thats what i added

[10:31:34 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: thats gujarati but i couldnt see any devanagari script (to add contents in hindi)

[10:32:44 AM] Lisa Crispin: did anyone answer my q about what is the twitter hashtag for weekend testers - I didn't see one

[10:33:27 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: @lisa: #WTA27 or #weekendtesting

[10:33:43 AM] Lisa Crispin: ty

[10:34:24 AM] Chris McMahon: Ranjit that might be a bug

[10:34:37 AM] Chris McMahon: Feel free to put in a report in Bugzilla

[10:34:56 AM] Chris McMahon: one free internets to the first person to post a Bugzilla URL :)


[10:35:47 AM] Chris McMahon: Lanette found a super bug, but she's isolating it and checking it in multiple browsers

[10:36:27 AM] Chris McMahon: Thank you Jasminka! that is excellent!

[10:37:12 AM] Jim Holmes: #gripe When editing a page
What's the box near the bottom with the "Standard suite" and select box? Very unclear what that section's for.
[10:37:51 AM] Chris McMahon: Jasmina, translating messages into various languages for the wikis is a big part of what the Foundation does, so errors like the one you found are important.

[10:38:20 AM] Chris McMahon: Jim, Bugzilla has a field for 'enhancements', so feel free to gripe officially.

[10:38:41 AM] Teri Charles: Would this be a bug? In the Wikisource page, when clicking on "Poems by Wilfred Owen" link, it takes you to a page that has a weird format (page breaks, etc). But if we click on Display options on the left and then click Layout 1, it looks much better. It "seems" that if you go back into the page (after going back to the main page) it saves whatever Layout you had clicked before. We can't tell if the last user that looked at the page has their layout saved for all others to see or not. http://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Poems_by_Wilfred_Owen


[10:41:35 AM] Lisa Crispin: anyone know how to put a margin note in proofreading a doc that was read in with OCR?


[10:44:44 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Rahul, to get you up to speed:

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[10:45:14 AM] Teri Charles: ahhh...perhaps that's it, chris
Molnár Zoltán: #issue: an inserted signature is a link in Wikipedia to my (nonexisting) name page, in Wikisource it is simply text

Chris McMahon: for some background, I have only been working closely with this software for a couple of months, so I'm learning along with you all

Chris McMahon: Molnar, that may not be a bug. What happens when you create your user page?

Molnár Zoltán: that's still a link

Lisa Crispin: well, the help is rather lacking, cannot find how to put a page number on a page "translated" from original via OCR, or how to put margin notes on same. But is that a bug? Could be driver error, or just missing feature.

Molnár Zoltán: now the referred page exists of course

Lisa Crispin: or maybe there's just no way to do it

Molnár Zoltán: I just found it as an inconsistency between the two stuffs

Chris McMahon: Molnar, these are very large systems, so it sometimes takes a while for a global account to manifest across all the wikis

Molnár Zoltán: ok

Lisa Crispin: btw I am testing in FF 11.0

Rasmus Koorits: #bug: the comparison page http://en.wikisource.org/w/index.php?title=Poems_by_Wilfred_Owen&diff=2900411&oldid=1665629 appears to have messed up formatting in the bottom on the page (Chrome, FF and IE so far).

*** Weekend Testers Americas added Shmuel Gershon ***


Weekend Testers Americas: welcome, Shmuel :).
[10:55:04 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Ok, just so everyone is aware, we tend to test for about 45 minutes and then regroup to discuss findings. Based on the amount and area to be covered, do we want to expand exploration for today? Would everyone like about 20 more minutes?

[10:55:17 AM] Chris McMahon: the larger diff is showing all the changes since 2009, smaller since 2011

[10:55:34 AM] Chris McMahon: but perhaps I’m mistaken?


[10:56:05 AM] Lisa Crispin: I can't tell if "what links here" is broken, or maybe nothing links to that page

[10:56:51 AM] Chris McMahon: Lisa is using en.wikipedia as an oracle for that


[10:57:20 AM] Rahul Vig: I am seeing the same issue that Rasmus is seeing on IE 9....

[10:57:44 AM] Rasmus Koorits: @Chris, strange, as I had the issue on multiple browsers (FF was version 12). Are you sure you clicked http://en.wikisource.org/w/index.php?title=Poems_by_Wilfred_Owen&diff=2900411&oldid=1665629

[10:57:59 AM] Rasmus Koorits: The second link I posted was the issue not appearing on a different comparison of the same article


[10:58:54 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: just a quick thought - will browser size or screen resolution matter...?

[10:59:07 AM] Chris McMahon: Rasmus, what I see looks normal, but I may be mistaken. Please feel free to file an issue in Bugzilla and WMF staff will follow up on that.


[11:01:14 AM] Rasmus Koorits: If Rahul could post a screenshot, that would be awesome :) My connection can barely cope with the chat at the moment


[11:01:45 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Rahul, Rasmus, feel free to set up a side chat if that will help you :)
[11:05:54 AM] Rasmus Koorits: very strange question: what color is the background of the article supposed to be in comparison view (the background of the full article after the differences display)?

[11:06:12 AM] Molnár Zoltán: #gripe: not editing related stuff, but as I make comparisons of the pages wikipedia page and the oracle wikimedia page, they are rendered a little bit differently in my browser, maybe the fonts are slightly different or font size

[11:06:43 AM] Rasmus Koorits: because the background color changes if I control+scroll the page (also the issue I reported disappears and reappears)

[11:07:01 AM] Chris McMahon: Rasmus, that sounds interesting, would you report that also?

[11:07:21 AM] Lisa Crispin: are we going > 1 hr for testing and < 1 hr for debrief?


[11:08:57 AM | Edited 11:09:02 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: So if you want to keep going for another 7 minutes, please feel free :).

[11:10:50 AM] Jim Holmes: "Show Changes" is showing line number off by one. If 1st line is edited, it's showing "Line 2:" with changes


[11:12:07 AM | Edited 11:13:03 AM] Molnár Zoltán: #gripe inserting a cite caused a real cite in Wikimedia, but an additional

Cite error: There are <ref> tags on this page, but the references will not show without a {{Reflist}} template or a <references /> tag; see the .

error in Wikipedia.

[11:15:11 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: @chris, can a usertalk page be updated by anyone? (i.e. other than the user who is *not* logged in)?


[11:15:33 AM] Chris McMahon: Rajit, yes, user talk pages are for interpersonal communication on the wiki

[11:15:34 AM] *** Sirisha parsi sent IMG_05052012_131544.png ***

[11:15:45 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: gather the troops and anyone who wants to discuss their findings, questions, concerns or any other aspects of this experience, now's the time.

[11:15:51 AM] Sirisha parsi: There are some words overlapping


[11:17:01 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Sirisha, what browser are you seeing this on?

[11:17:02 AM] Chris McMahon: Rahul, the display is correct, but I can that the OCR software made "the" into "tin" and the page has not been proofread.

[11:17:08 AM] Sirisha parsi: chrome

[11:17:15 AM | Edited 11:17:29 AM] Jassi: @Sirisha which Browser are you using?

[11:17:24 AM] Sirisha parsi: @Jassi Chrome


[11:17:45 AM] Chris McMahon: Sirisha, this might be a missing charset on the local machine, but do report it just in case


[11:18:33 AM] Sirisha Parsi: @Teri, yes only in Chrome

[11:18:38 AM] Chris McMahon: Excellent, please report the tewiki error!


[11:18:54 AM] Lisa Crispin: So, how do y'all debrief on weekend testing?


[11:19:09 AM] Chris McMahon: Everyone coming to a stopping point for debrief? Over to you, Michael...


[11:19:46 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: For today, I think our first order of debrief should be to collapse our findings and present them so that Chris doesn't have to dig through the transcript :).

[11:20:05 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: So for those who pair tested or focused on given areas, please tell us your pair, your focus and your findings.

[11:20:29 AM] Lisa Crispin: OK, ready to do that anytime

[11:20:31 AM] Molnár Zoltán: [Sirisha] for me it is words out of frames (chromium browser)

[11:20:36 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Use hash tags to help order your ideas so we know where the start and stop points are :).

[11:20:37 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Maybe a two min break to note down the issues or edit the test reports in an offline editor...

[11:21:10 AM] Sirisha Parsi: @Molnar yes and some overlapping too, if you notice

[11:21:50 AM] Chris McMahon: Michael, I'd like some time near the end to thank everyone and give my own review

[11:22:03 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: What we have done here is, effectively, created a rapid response team in less than an hour and a half, and between us all, conducted the equivalent of three days worth of testing for any one tester (maybe more :) ).


[11:22:16 AM] Mohinder Khosla: @chris I have noted down the bugs and have taken screencast. Would bugzilla be available to enter the bugs later? Just need to revise the text before input

[11:22:40 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: @Mohinder, that's fine. It would be nice to get a summary for the chat transcript, if you can.


[11:23:53 AM | Edited 11:24:00 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: hi folks, testing at full force today :) Ajay here...

[11:23:55 AM] Mohinder Khosla: @michael, I just gone off the charter and gone off track

[11:23:59 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: we're both logged in as WTA, and he's been handling a lot of the joining requests and contact requests so I could focus on the session today. Thanks, Ajay :).


[11:24:42 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: @Mohinder, that's OK, if you explored something interesting, let us know. Remember, sometimes the best bugs are find when you go off charter or off script.


[11:25:42 AM] Chris McMahon: @Mohinder, I agree with WTA

[11:26:10 AM] Lisa Crispin: I lied, am going to update our mind map and post a link to that
[11:26:24 AM | Edited 11:26:34 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Again, so I can address the first timers, this section that we are doing now is called the debrief. Usually, if we were exploring a particular testing approach, we'd be talking about the aspects of that approach and trying it out in real time. Positives, negatives, confusion points if there are any.

[11:28:06 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: today's session wasn't specific to teaching testing techniques, but for rapid testing of new features and beta elements. Chris was acting as our product owner, and as you noticed, he asked questions and kept the testers engaged and focused so as to help determine if there were issues or if additional clarification was needed.

[11:29:59 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: this is extremely helpful when it comes to doing these type of sessions, since the immediacy of teammates right next to you is often not possible. Those in Austin today have an advantage, they can collaborate together in real time. We don't often get that opportunity in these sessions outside of the chat or direct Skype calls that are 1:1, so that additional feedback is very important.

[11:30:16 AM] Teri Charles: Okay, I'm going to put myself out there and be honest. This was my first time doing this and I found myself lost a lot and overwhelmed. And I'm an experienced tester. I've been asking myself why I felt lost and overwhelmed and the only thing I can come up with is that it was the first time I've ever done anything like this before.


[11:30:38 AM] Lanette Creamer: It was much easier to have Chris in the room.

[11:30:48 AM] Shmuel Gershon: Teri, what exactly do you mean by 'like this'?

[11:30:49 AM] Lanette Creamer: Hate to say this, but the low cost of asking in person rocks.

[11:31:04 AM] Lanette Creamer: I asked, "So, how can I save this sandbox page?:


[11:31:16 AM] Lanette Creamer: He said, "You can't." Me "OK"


[11:31:29 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: there are many people that participate in these sessions, and truth be told, this is a larger group than usual.


[11:31:32 AM] Mohinder Khosla: @Teri You are not the only one who felt it this way. I got sidetracked trying to navigate through the system
[11:31:40 AM] Lanette Creamer: Instead of a long time being confused, I get a simple answer without changing focus from my tests.

[11:31:52 AM] Thomas Htwe: My first time too. First lesson learned for me is to not attempt a charter such as this one with potentially multiple windows open at the same time on a tiny 13" ultrabook with only one display.

[11:32:10 AM] Teri Charles: thanks everyone for not making me feel like i’m out here alone!

[11:32:15 AM] Lanette Creamer: Also, I could not use the image feature in proofreading until I got a full understanding of the limitations. :( Bummer usability.

[11:33:39 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: (whew) I wasn’t the only person out there feeling lost!

[11:33:55 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Thomas, that’s a good point. Just because we have multiple charters, it’s wise to start with one and focus on that one unless we hit an impasse or need to de-focus and take on something else.

[11:34:17 AM] Lanette Creamer: *nods* One charter might be simpler to start for a shorter gathering.

[11:34:30 AM] Thomas Htwe: Did anyone else besides me test in private browsing mode?

[11:35:10 AM] bharani: good session, learned how to think creatively...Good Chance to knew about rapid testing. Thanks michael and ajay...

[11:35:25 AM] Chris McMahon: Good point. I wanted to make multiple high-value charters available in case one was more attractive to any given tester/team

[11:35:33 AM] Mohinder Khosla: Wikimedia such a large system that testing all the links would take ages to check. I normally use a tool to do that but wiki stopped it in its track to search saying it is a forbidden request

[11:35:43 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: One of the challenges with these sessions is the time limit. We commit to two hours, and we do our best to respect that time limit. That gives us an hour of active testing, and an hour of debrief and administrivia. Today we went a little longer since I knew that there was a lot we could potentially cover.

[11:36:14 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Michael Bolton often uses a description of "Domain Testing" as 'Divide and conquer the data".

[11:36:34 AM] Lanette Creamer: I don't think that a normal test would include checking all of the links, especially not with the content.

[11:36:44 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: Did anyone feel any sort of emotion when testing?
[11:36:56 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: as a user that might put you off the site?


[11:37:34 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: this is an excellent example of where we did that, but I can also see that, perhaps, were we to do a session like this again, since there were so many potential jumping off points, it might be wise to offer an "early sign up" option and encourage people to stake them out (and we’d publicize that ahead of time).


[11:38:00 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: anger?

[11:38:06 AM] Lanette Creamer: I know I only had to get 3 accounts, but I got a bit confused with so many links.

[11:38:24 AM] Lanette Creamer: I usually DO feel that way though. I always want less setup and more testing. :)

[11:38:25 AM] Mohinder Khosla: The search field can not handle large string at all and the buffer overflow with error message

[11:38:49 AM] Lanette Creamer: Good find! Glad to see some input tests. Did you write that one up?

[11:39:03 AM] muttijo: i would have liked some time up front to get an over all view of the site and its purpose. I've used wiki before and Wikipedia but wasn't familiar with MediaWiki.

[11:39:07 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Ranjit, yes, I think there are a lot of emotions that testers go through, and I think it's important that we go through them,


[11:39:47 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: I think it's good that we get a little frustrated, or feel good when we figure something out.

[11:39:52 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: an empathatic view of the user is essential, no?

[11:40:03 AM] Mohinder Khosla: @Lanette I will do the write up later. There are couple more which I WILL INPUT DIRECTLY TO BUGZILLA.I have an account setup

[11:40:47 AM] Lanette Creamer: We found a few bugs, and I think they were good finds. Also learned some of the challenges with working on image based documents.

[11:40:51 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: when we let the emotions run somewhat free (with reason ;) ), we get to experience what our customers experience, and that's an important part of testing, too.

[11:41:33 AM] Mohinder Khosla: I was going to do the usability testing by turning off the screen but though it would be too much for one night

[11:41:41 AM] Lanette Creamer: Did anyone else use the last version oracle to compare against?

[11:42:49 AM] Chris McMahon: Lisa used the oracle, not sure how successfully though


[11:43:31 AM] Chris McMahon: Molnar is a superstar!

[11:43:33 AM] Lanette Creamer: I am used to using wikis, so I didn't find the experience much different.

[11:43:56 AM] Lanette Creamer: Maybe those who use websites that are not wikibased will feel less comfortable.

[11:44:18 AM] Molnár Zoltán: no Chris, that was written in charter, so I just followed your request :)

[11:44:27 AM] Lisa Crispin: I posted Dawn's and my results as a mind map on my blog: http://lisacrispin.com/wordpress/2012/05/05/weekend-testing-americas-testing-wikipedia/

[11:45:36 AM | Edited 11:45:57 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Thank you, Lisa, that's very cool (and will be referenced in the experience report :).)


[11:47:00 AM] *** Dawn Code has left ***

[11:47:10 AM] Chris McMahon: Anyone mind if take over with the Product Owner debrief?

[11:47:15 AM] Eugenia Yakhnin: @ Michael Larsen emotional is important, I test Medical applications, if patient is misdiagnosis, always in my head


[11:47:39 AM] Thomas Htwe: This could be due to me losing my way amongst all the windows that I had open on my tiny 13' laptop, but each time I tried to edit a document in private browsing, my user id was
not accepted and I had to create a new one. Strangely, each new id that I created was exactly the same as the other ones that I had used. This makes me think that I was in different environments each time.

[11:47:54 AM] Chris McMahon: I wanted to accomplish three things with this exercise:

[11:49:08 AM] Mohinder Khosla: @thomas I had no trouble in logging on with the same id in different envirments as long as you set a global id

[11:49:09 AM] Chris McMahon: First, I wanted to get some experienced testers investigating Wikimedia Foundation software in a way that would benefit both WMF and the testers working. We got that I think, I saw some high-value issue reports entered in Bugzilla, and it sounds like people had fun.

[11:50:11 AM] Chris McMahon: Second, WMF is about to start institutional "Test Days" the Mozilla does, and I am hoping that some of the testers from today would enjoy continuing the exercise of testing Wikipedia again pretty soon...

[11:50:30 AM] Mohinder Khosla: @chris Should be do more testing after we leave here?Here in England it is a long weekend therefore more time on our hands

[11:50:37 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: (clap) @chris!

[11:50:42 AM] Chris McMahon: I encourage you to contact me directly if testing Wikipedia again sounds appealing, the expertise of Weekend Testers is well-known.

[11:51:07 AM] Chris McMahon: I also encourage to submit Bugzilla tickets any time you find a bug. :)

[11:51:11 AM] darren mccartney: @chris. what is your preferred form of contact?

[11:51:17 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: @Chris, thanks for asking us to participate :).

[11:51:24 AM] Chris McMahon: Darren, see the test plan :)


[11:51:46 AM] Chris McMahon: And I encourage you to edit Wikipedia any time as well, the pages about software testing are sadly lacking

[11:52:00 AM] Mohinder Khosla: @chris The plan would be available after we sign off

[11:52:16 AM] Chris McMahon: One more thing and I'll summarize:

[11:53:10 AM] Chris McMahon: WMF has some jobs open, the position of Bug Wrangler might be of great interest to some on the list:  http://hire.jobvite.com/Jobvite/Job.aspx?i=op0lwfwq&c=qSa9VfwQ

[11:54:37 AM] Chris McMahon: So Wikimedia Foundation got a) some super issue reports in Bugzilla b) some potential volunteer testers (I would *love* to work with you folks again) and c) some high-profile exposure for our brand-new community testing effort. So THANK YOU all very much!


[11:55:52 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: the invitation is open, if you would like to do a repeat session with us in a couple of months, I'm sure we could arrange it.


[11:56:15 AM] Ranjit Shringarpure: @chris, is there a time limite on the current testing cycle?


[11:56:32 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: Also, I encourage anyone who wants to take Chris up on doing additional WMF testing to contact him directly and see what they are up to and how you (we) can get involved.

[11:56:33 AM] Chris McMahon: Ranjit, no, you are welcome to test any Wikipedia any time!

[11:56:46 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: SO we only have a couple of minutes left for this session.


[11:57:30 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: I know that giving up two hours on a Saturday is no small sacrifice for many, and I appreciate your dedication and commitment.


[11:58:36 AM] Weekend Testers Americas: as always, our participants are the ones that make these sessions great, so if you have a specific question, area of expertise, or application you'd like to play with or test, please feel free to email me at WTAmericas@gmail.com, let me know what you might be interested in working on, and any other questions you may have.
Eugenia Yakhnin: Many thanks. I learned a lot from others today. I responsible for the proper testing of huge medical applications (lead), so needed a different testing look as air

Weekend Testers Americas: also, I want to thank those who I met at STAR EAST a couple of weeks ago (I recognized a few names :) ). I'm happy you could make it and I hope the session lived up to expectations.

Weekend Testers Americas: Our next scheduled session will be held on June 2, 2012, again at 10:00 AM Pacific time.

Rahul Vig: Will be there! :)

Mohinder Khosla: I hope the video I send you made your day

Chris McMahon: thanks again, and if anyone has follow-up questions my contact info is on the test plan from today

Weekend Testers Americas: Mohinder, yes, it certainly did :).

Ranjit Shringarpure: hope to see the video on ur blog too @mohinder

Mohinder Khosla: Thanks guys. Bye for now. See you at the next WTA.

Molnár Zoltán: Thank you all!

Weekend Testers Americas: And again, seriously, if you have something you want to test or work on, let me know. Some of our best sessions come from "participant requests"... today, for example ;).

Ranjit Shringarpure: thanks for the opportunity, @chris. thanks everyone, hope to see you on next WTA

darren mccartney: thx everyone. I'm a first timer here and that was a great learning experience.

Sirisha parsi: Thanks Chris and Micheal for giving me a great opportunity

Teri Charles: thanks! Looking forward to the next one!

Eugenia Yakhnin: See all next session

Weekend Testers Americas: And with that, another WTA session has come to an end. Thanks for coming out everyone, and thanks to our TelSum attendees. Hope to see some of you again in future sessions :).
[12:03:23 PM] Weekend Testers Americas: Have a great day!!!