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Conduit is a social blogging site and a Medium.com clone. You use it to authenticate, create and manage articles, comment on articles, browse paginated article lists, favorite articles, and follow other users.

If you need to...	Go to
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Browse articles by tag	Browse articles by tag
Read an article	Read an article
Work with an article	Article workspace
Understand the interface and routes	Understanding the interface or Navigation basics
Follow a user or favorite an article	Follow a user or Favorite articles

Before you start

Home is the place to find articles, rather than a form where you enter or save records. The public **Global Feed** is available without signing in. **Your Feed** is available when you are authenticated; it collects the following feed for your account.

Prerequisites

- To use **Global Feed**, have access to the Home page at `/`.
- To use **Your Feed**, sign in first. It shows articles from people you follow. Use [Sign in](#) if you are not authenticated.
- To browse articles by topic, start from Home with a topic link available in the **Popular Tags** area.

If you request that list without authentication, Conduit redirects you to `/login`.

When these conditions are ready, open Home.

A feed is an article list. A tag is a topic value that filters the article list.

Open Home

Home is the article-finding surface at `/`. It brings together the feed choices, article list, tag list, and article pagination in one place.

Prerequisites

- You know whether you want the public **Global Feed** or the authenticated **Your Feed**.

Steps

1. Open `/`.

Result: Home opens with the feed choices and the article-finding surface.

With Home open, choose the feed or topic that matches what you want to read.

Choose a feed and browse articles

Prerequisites

- Home is open at `/`.
- You are signed in before choosing **Your Feed**.

Steps

1. Choose the list that matches what you want to read.

If you want to...	Select
Browse the public article list	Global Feed
Browse articles from people you follow	Your Feed
Browse articles marked with a topic	A tag in Popular Tags

2. Select an article title or **Read more...** to open the article.

3. Select a page number when the article list has more than one page.

Result: The selected feed or tag determines the article list, and a selected article opens the article surface.

Use the Home results to interpret what is loading, available, or empty.

Understand the Home results

Home presents article previews alongside **Popular Tags**. The article area changes between

loading, loaded, and empty states; the sidebar changes between loading tags, showing tags, and showing that no tags are available.

The tag tab appears when Home is filtered by a tag. The article area shows pagination in its

loaded state, with one page button for each available page.

Home does not provide fields to complete, a grid to edit, or a save or submit action.

Use the

article pages for article work instead.

What you see	What it means
Loading articles...	The article list is loading.
Your feed is empty. Follow some users to see their articles here, or check out the Global Feed!	The following feed has no articles; follow users or choose Global Feed .
No articles are here... yet.	The current global or tag-filtered list has no articles.
Loading tags...	The Popular Tags list is loading.
No tags are here... yet.	No tags are available in the sidebar.

For feed-specific guidance, see [Loading and unavailable states](#).

With the results understood, continue to the area that matches your next task.

Continue from Home

Use Home to discover content, then continue to the surface that matches your next task. Conduit

includes sign-in and sign-up pages, an Editor page, an Article page, and a Profile page around the

Home experience. It also includes authentication, article work, comments, favorites, and following.

Next task	Continue with
Sign in or register	Sign in or Create an account
Create or edit an article	Create and edit an article
Read, comment on, or favorite an article	Read an article , Comment on an article , or Favorite articles
View profiles or follow users	View a profile or Follow a user
Personalize your account	Update settings
Get help with an error	Getting help or General error messages