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Conduit is a social blogging site for publishing articles, discussing them with comments, maintaining profiles, marking articles as favorites, and following other people.

The Home page is the starting point for browsing articles. From there, you can use the global article list, your personal feed, or a tag-based list, then open an article or a profile.

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Before you start

The Home page lets you begin exploring without entering or saving information. It has no form fields and no save, submit, or confirmation control.

You need to know whether you want to browse all articles or follow the articles associated with your account. The available feed tabs depend on whether you are signed in.

Result: You can begin at Home without preparing data for a form.

Reach the Home page

From Home, choose an article list when you want to start browsing.

Prerequisites

- You know whether you want the complete article list or the articles associated with your account.

Steps

1. Select **Home** in the navigation.
2. Select the destination that matches what you want to do.

If you want to...	Select
Browse all available articles	Global Feed
Browse the articles associated with your account	Your Feed when you are signed in
Create an article	New Post when you are signed in
Change your settings	Settings when you are signed in
Open your profile	your username when you are signed in
Sign in	Sign in when you are signed out
Create an account	Sign up when you are signed out

Result: The Home page is open with the article list you selected. When you are signed in,

Your Feed, **New Post**, **Settings**, and your username are available. When you are signed out, **Sign in** and **Sign up** are available.

Recognize the Home page

On Home, use the article list, tag area, and links to article and profile content. Article and tag values depend on the available content.

Prerequisites

- You have opened Home.

Steps

1. Read the introductory area when you are signed out. It displays `A place to share your knowledge. .`
2. Use the Home content for the task you want to complete.

The tag area is headed `Popular Tags` .

If you want to...	Select
Narrow the article list	a tag value
Open an article	the article title or Read more...
Favorite or unfavorite an article	the article's favorites-count button
Move to another article-list page when more than 10 articles are available	a page number

The page can display these messages while content changes:

When you see...	What it means
<code>Loading...</code>	The article list is not loaded yet.
<code>No articles are here... yet.</code>	The article list is empty.
<code>Loading Tags...</code>	The tag list is not loaded yet.

3. Check the message that matches the page state.

Result: You can identify the introductory text, tag area, article links, favorite control, and pagination on Home, and you can interpret the page's loading and empty-list messages.