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Testing the QA instructions

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Question: Who QA's the QA?



- We have a lot of articles in the **QA wiki**
 - Thanks to Ilmari, Xisco, Stéphane & all others!

Getting Started	Team
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get Involved• Bugzilla• Easy Hacks• Bug Hunting Sessions• Join the QA discussion:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• via our IRC channel: #libreoffice-qa IRC:// XMPP://• which is bridged to Telegram• or on our mailing list	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• QA Team• Meetings• Goals• Projects• QA-related Bugs• Recurring QA Tasks• QA Statistics
FAQs	Testing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installing several versions of LibreOffice in parallel<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GNU Linux

Question: Who QA's the QA?



- How useful is all this in onboarding a newbie?
 - Problem: I don't see a lot of fresh names in the monthly blog
 - Let's get to testing!

Top 10 Triagers

1. Buovjaga (77)
2. BogdanB (62)
3. m_a_riosv (31)
4. V Stuart Foote (20)
5. Mike Kaganski (15)
6. zcrhonek (14)
7. Dieter (13)
8. raal (11)
9. Heiko Tietze (10)
10. Michael Weghorn (away) (8)

How to test a wiki?

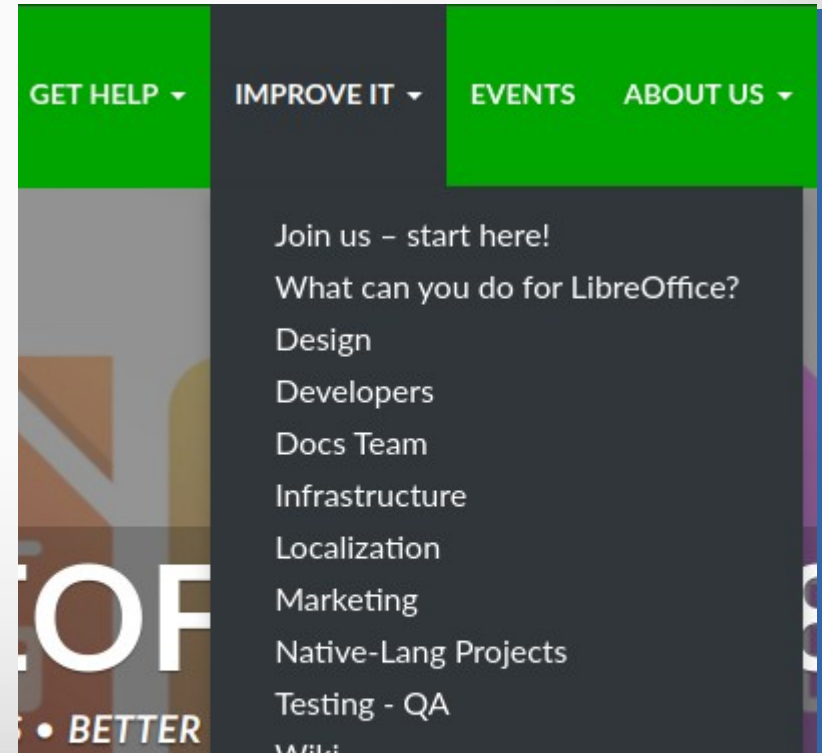


- Take a newbie
 - My wife was interested!
 - Would have been better with a university class – maybe next time
- Give them a few common tasks that should be solvable by just reading the wiki
- Observe & document results

#1 Find the QA wiki



- Start on <https://www.libreoffice.org/> - find the QA wiki
- Feedback:
 - “Improve it” category name was last to look for this
 - From there: “Testing – QA” was straightforward



#2 Install the nightly build

#3 Register to Bugzilla



- From the website, find the nightly and install it
 - Feedback: From the Improve – Testing QA menu it is rather straightforward
- Find Bugzilla and register in it
 - Feedback: From the Improve – Testing QA menu it is rather straightforward

#4 Look up unconfirmed bugs



- From the **Wiki**, look up the list of unconfirmed bugs, confirm one
- Feedback:
 - From **Bugzilla home page**, clicking on the “Bugs reported in the ... last 7 days“ was straightforward
- Comment:
 - QA Wiki does not seem to list this as an important/easy task for beginners

#5.1 Find bugs that need a bibisect



- Find the list of bugs needing bibisect, bibisect one
- Feedback:
 - Finding QA/Bibisect was easy
 - “Watch Effective Bisection and Bibisection (Matthew Francis's talk at LibOCon 2015 on YouTube)” is TL ; DW
 - Finding the Windows-specific repos was easy

#5.2 Find bugs that need a bibisect



- Feedback:
 - QA/Bibisect/Windows is confusing!
 - Tester found a “Releases” repo at the end of a table, assumed it’s important.
 - It’s not! Based only on version numbers, this is not obvious
 - Lots of repos listed, there is no indication which are the most important ones
 - Idea: recommend the latest 3-4 as “Start here”
 - “Setting up Environment” is buggy
 - No link to “Git for Windows” (fixed!)
 - Cygwin is mentioned as an obsolete way, but why... tester fell for it
 - Page mixes initial setup, troubleshooting and howto sections

#5.3 Find bugs that need a bibisect



- Feedback:
 - QA/Bibisect/Windows is confusing!
 - Comment: Page mixes initial setup, troubleshooting and howto sections
 - QA/Bibisect is confusing too!
 - Comment: This mixes initial setup, troubleshooting, howto and “tasks for beginners” sections
 - “Finding bugs needing bibisect” section was well enough hidden in this mess
 - It is a good, dynamic query of bibisectRequest bugs, sorted from oldest... ew.

Thanks for listening!

