

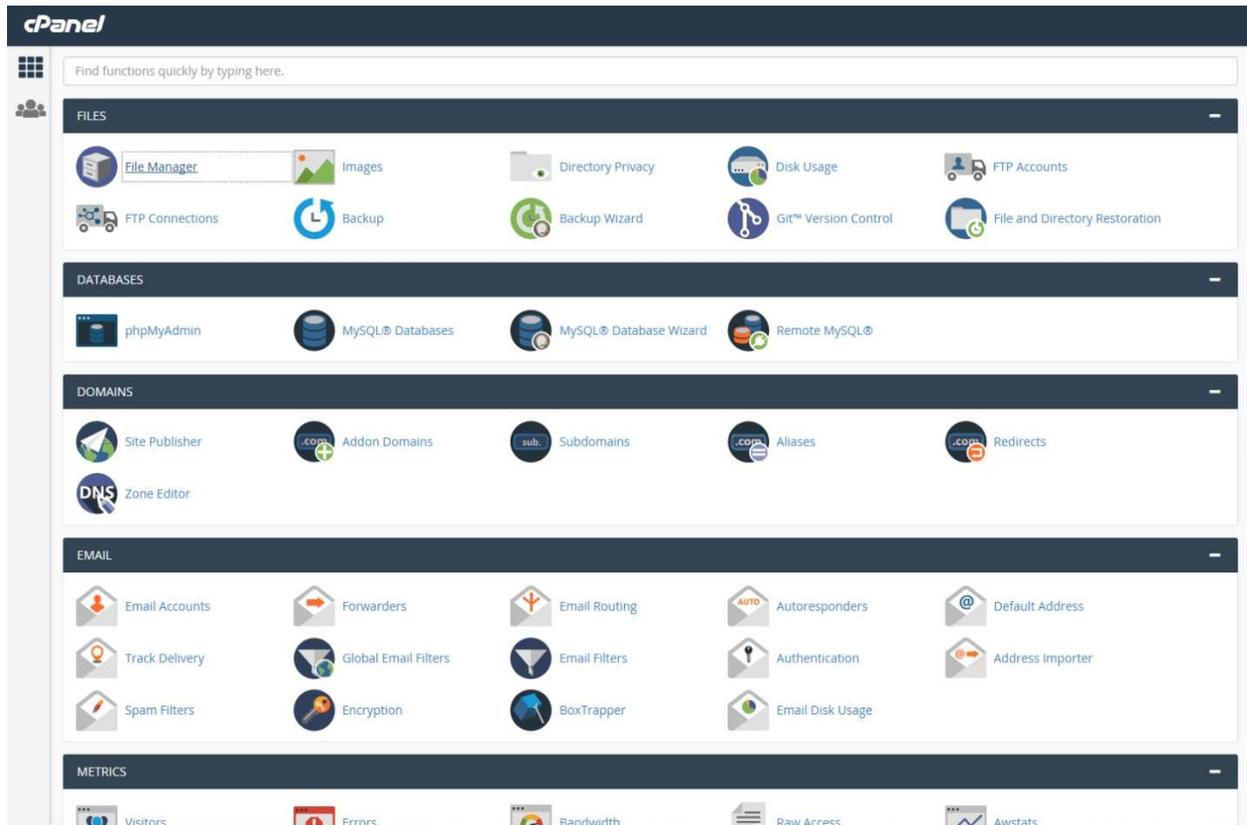
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**INSTALL WORDPRESS:**  
A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO GET  
WORDPRESS UP AND RUNNING  
SO YOU CAN START BLOGGING TODAY

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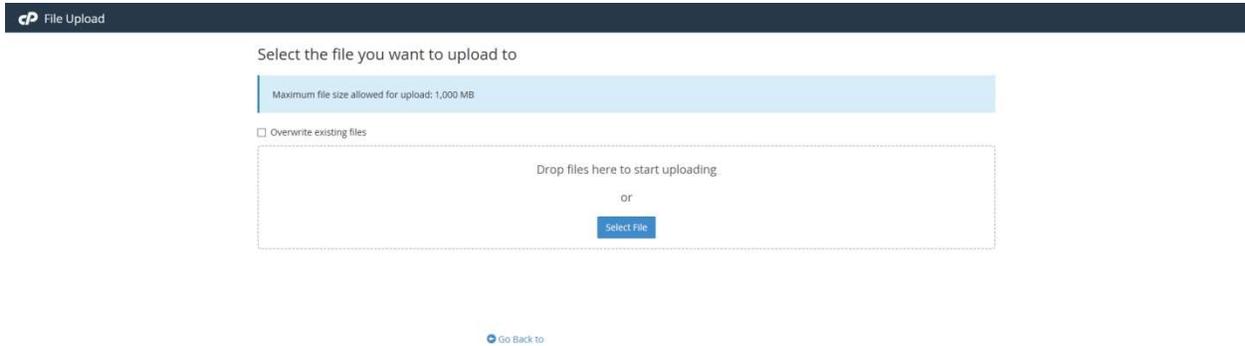
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1. Download the free software from [WordPress.org](https://WordPress.org).
2. Logon to your cPanel and access the file manager.

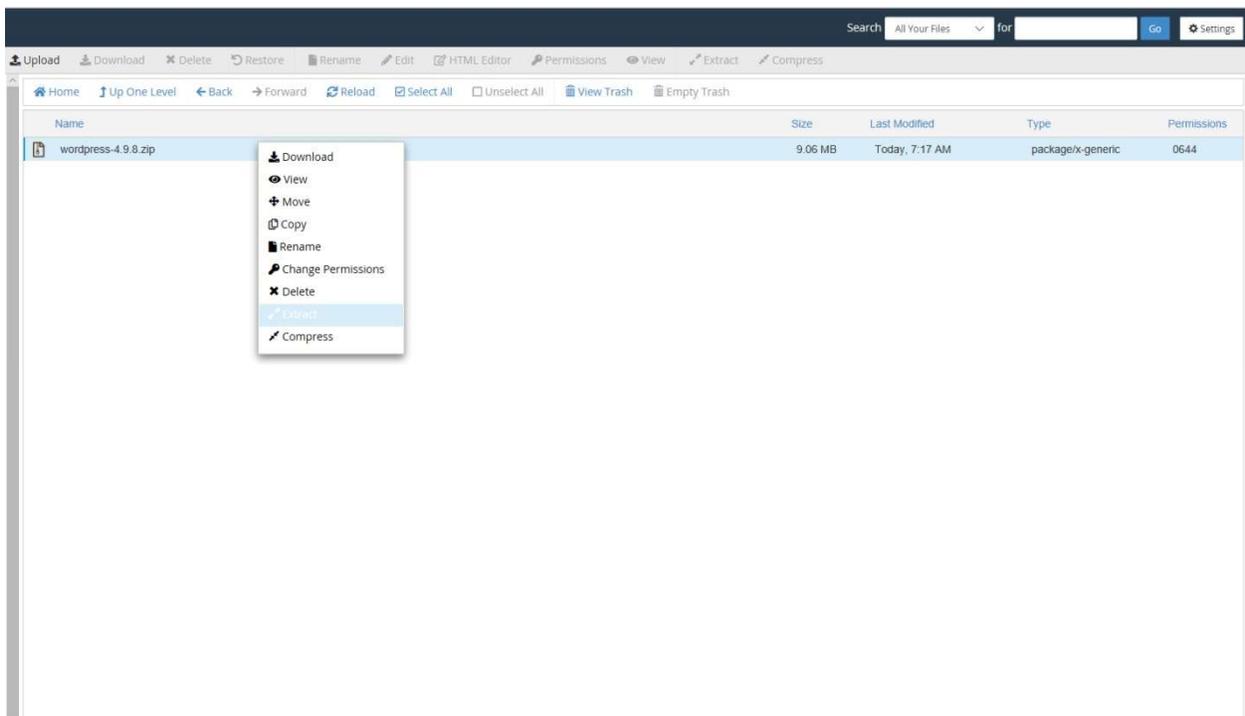


3. Access your root domain folder, for example [elyssamcgregor.com](https://elyssamcgregor.com).

## 4. Upload the zip file you downloaded from WordPress.org.

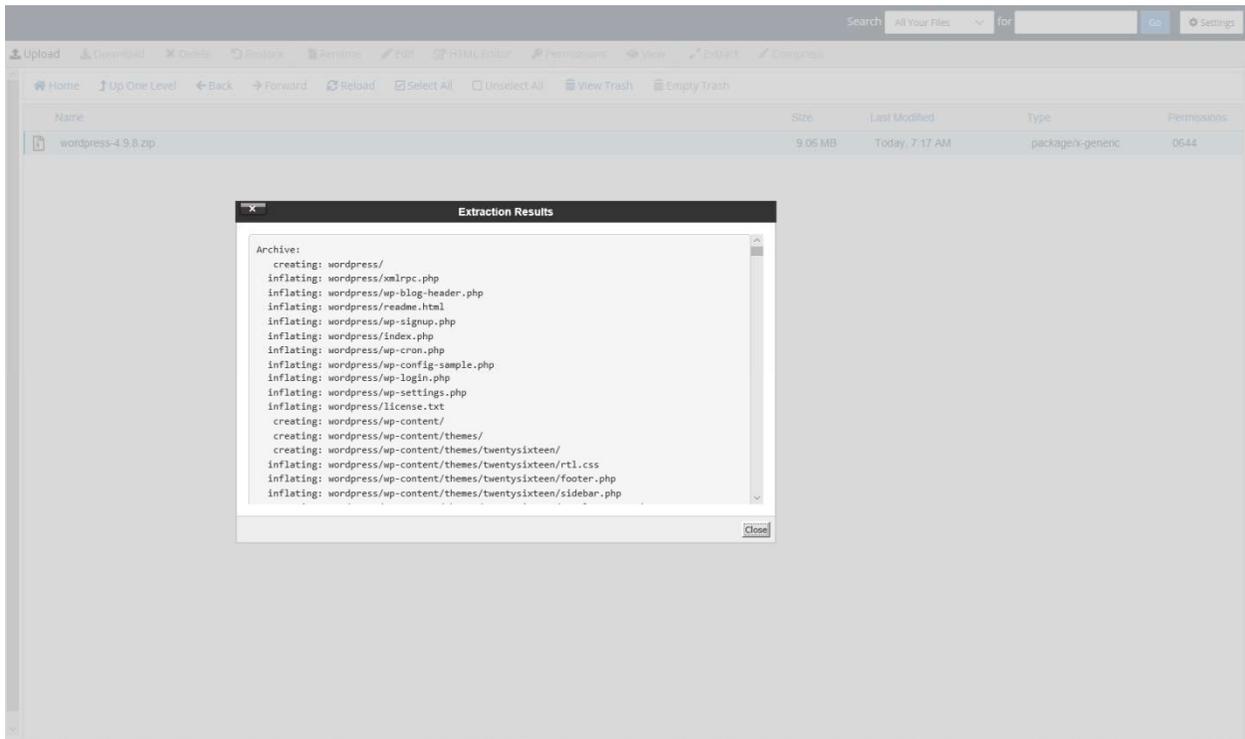


## 5. Go back to your root folder and extract the file you just uploaded.



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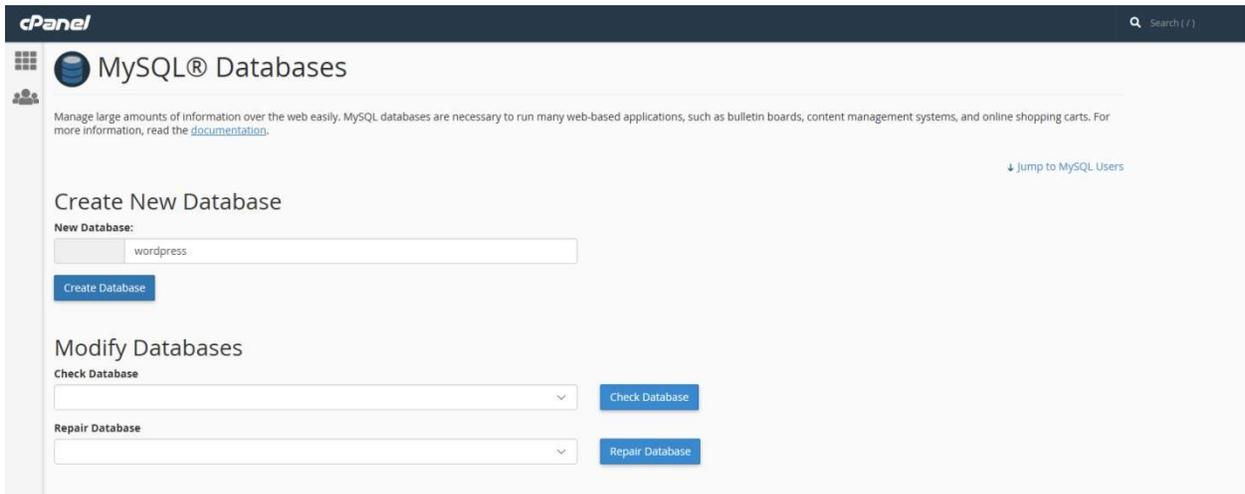
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6. Reload your page so you can see the new WordPress folder that was just extracted.
7. Select all the files within the WordPress folder and move them one level up from the WordPress folder to either the root directory, like `elyssamcgregor.com` or your blog directory, `elyssamcgregor.com/blog/`.
8. Go to the cPanel and click on MySQL® Database.
9. Create a mySQL® Database by entering a new database name such as “wordpress”, for example `elyssa6_wordpress`. Click the blue create database button.

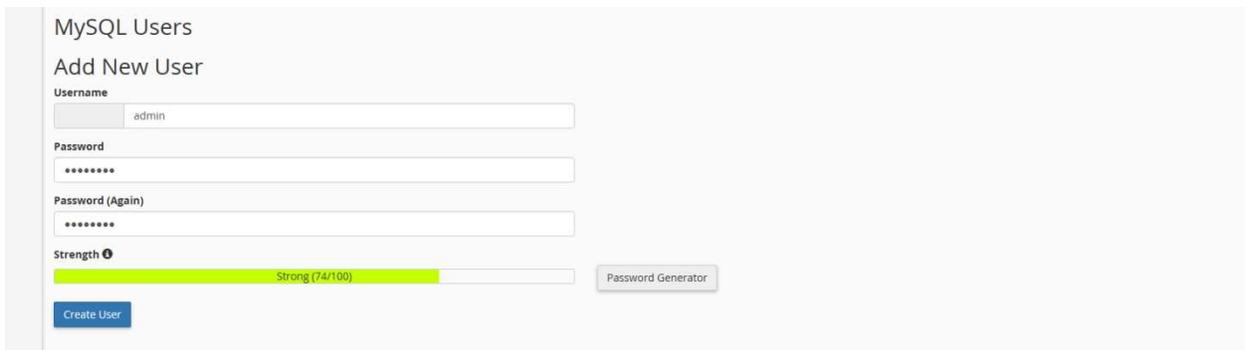
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The screenshot shows the cPanel MySQL Databases interface. At the top, there's a search bar and a 'Jump to MySQL Users' link. The main section is titled 'Create New Database' and contains a form with a 'New Database' field containing 'wordpress' and a 'Create Database' button. Below this is the 'Modify Databases' section, which has two rows: 'Check Database' and 'Repair Database', each with a dropdown menu and a corresponding button.

10. Create a user to assign to your database. Enter a username, such as admin. For example elyssa6\_admin. Then assign your user a strong password or click on password generator to generate one for you. Remember to jot down your password for future reference. Click the blue create user button.

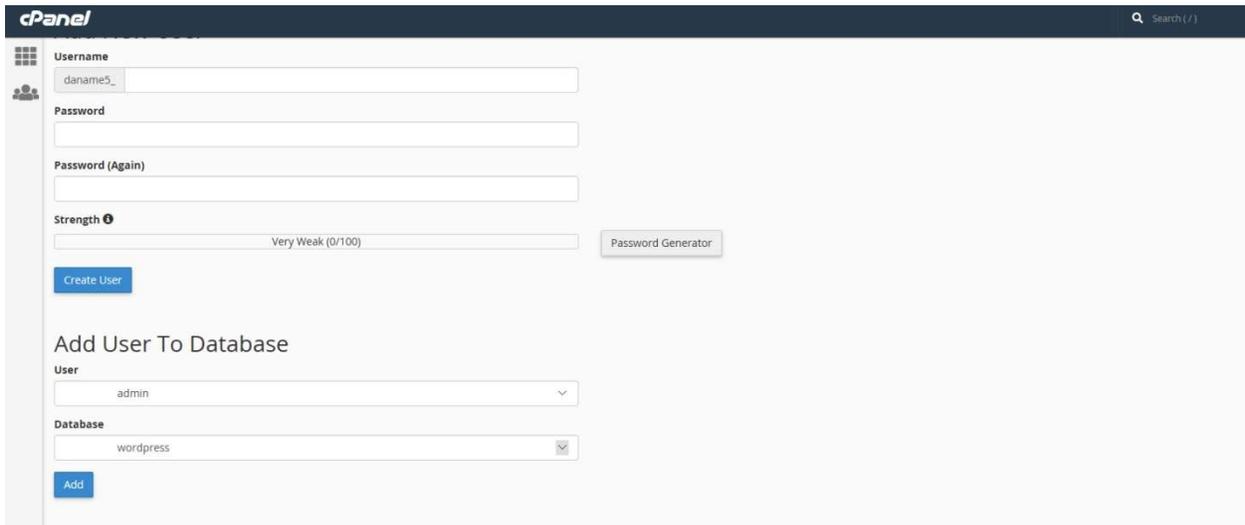


The screenshot shows the cPanel MySQL Users interface. It features a 'Add New User' section with a 'Username' field containing 'admin', a 'Password' field with masked characters, and a 'Password (Again)' field also with masked characters. Below these fields is a 'Strength' indicator showing 'Strong (74/100)' with a green progress bar, and a 'Password Generator' button. A 'Create User' button is located at the bottom left of the form.

11. Assign a user to your database. For example assign username elyssa6\_admin to the database elyssa6\_wordpress. Then click the blue add button.

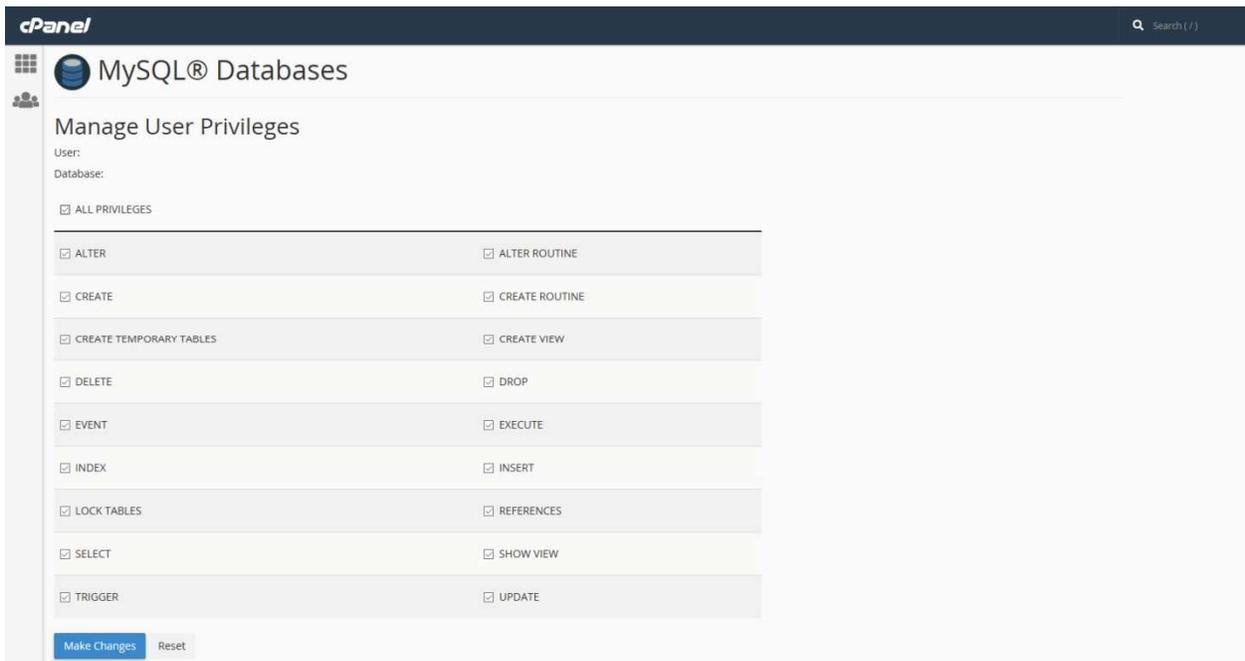
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The screenshot shows the cPanel interface for creating a new user. The 'Username' field contains 'daname5\_'. The 'Password' and 'Password (Again)' fields are empty. The 'Strength' indicator shows 'Very Weak (0/100)'. A 'Password Generator' button is visible. Below the form, there is a section titled 'Add User To Database' with a 'User' dropdown set to 'admin' and a 'Database' dropdown set to 'wordpress'. An 'Add' button is at the bottom of this section.

12. Select “all privileges” for the user you are assigning to your database. Then click the blue make changes button.



The screenshot shows the 'MySQL® Databases' section in cPanel, specifically the 'Manage User Privileges' page. The 'User' and 'Database' fields are populated. A list of privileges is shown with checkboxes, all of which are checked. The 'ALL PRIVILEGES' checkbox is also checked. At the bottom, there are 'Make Changes' and 'Reset' buttons.

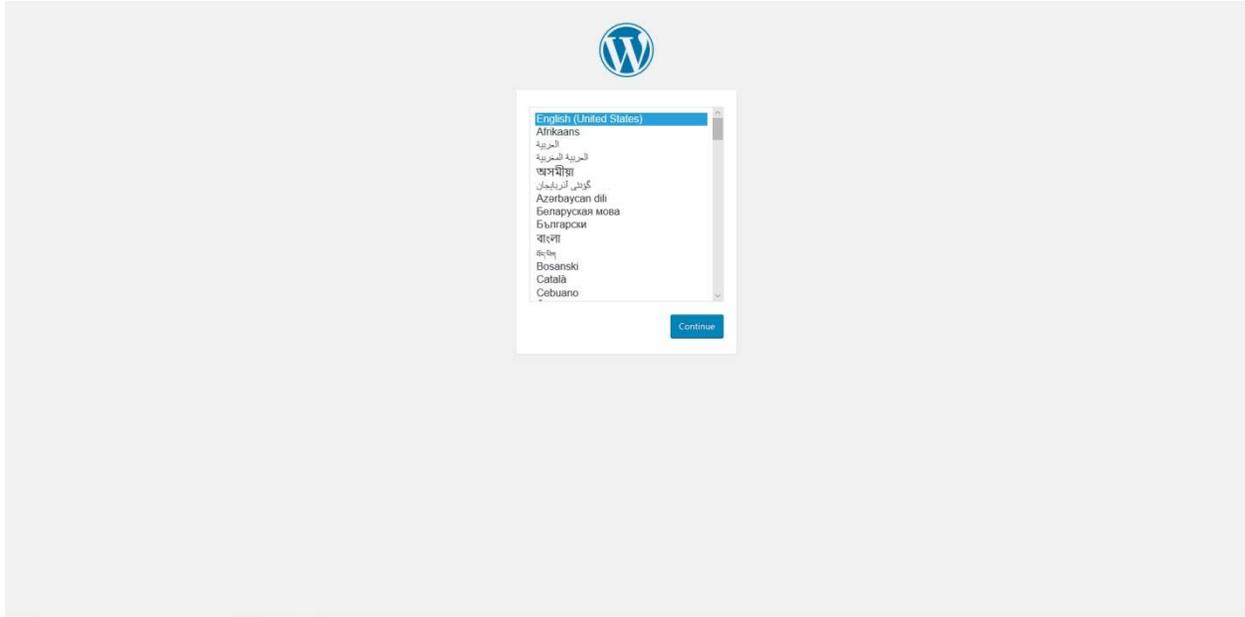
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALL PRIVILEGES	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CREATE TEMPORARY TABLES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CREATE VIEW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DELETE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DROP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EVENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXECUTE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDEX	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INSERT
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LOCK TABLES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFERENCES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SELECT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHOW VIEW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRIGGER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UPDATE

13. Go to your browser and type in your domain where you uploaded the WordPress software. For example type in URL [elyssamcgregor.com](http://elyssamcgregor.com) or [elyssamcgregor.com/blog/](http://elyssamcgregor.com/blog/). You will be prompted to install the software.

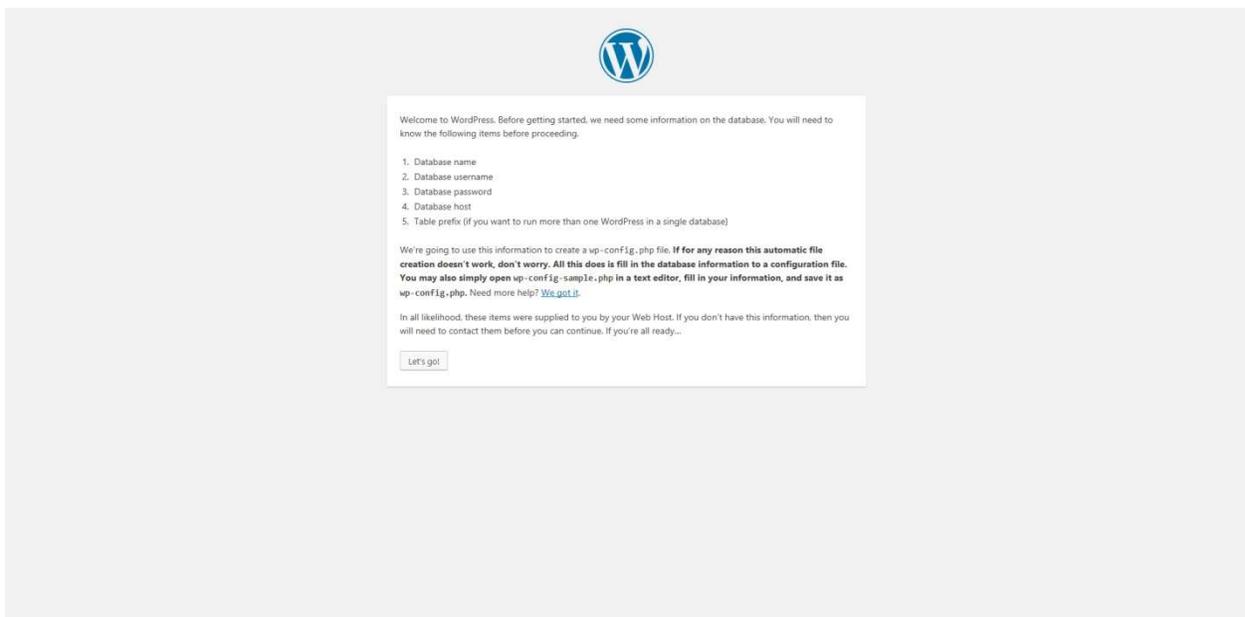
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14. Select your language. Then click the blue continue button.



15. You will then come across the WordPress welcome screen. Click the let's go button.



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16. Enter your database connection details, your database name, username, and password. For example, database name: elyssa6\_wordpress, username elyssa6\_admin, and the password that you wrote down from step number 10. Do not change the text in the database host field or the table prefix field. Then click the submit button.

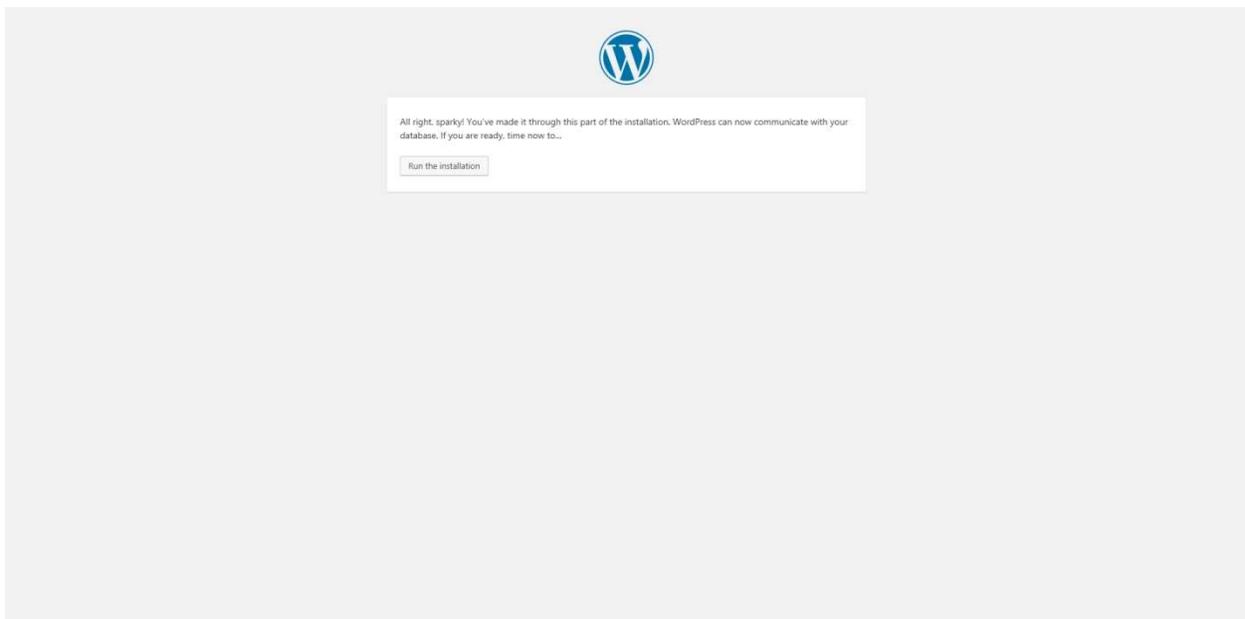


The screenshot shows the WordPress installation database configuration screen. At the top center is the WordPress logo. Below it is a white box containing the following text: "Below you should enter your database connection details. If you're not sure about these, contact your host." The form includes five fields with labels and descriptions:

- Database Name:** elyssa6\_wordpress. Description: "The name of the database you want to use with WordPress."
- Username:** elyssa6\_admin. Description: "Your database username."
- Password:** \*\*\*\*\*. Description: "Your database password."
- Database Host:** localhost. Description: "You should be able to get this info from your web host. If localhost doesn't work."
- Table Prefix:** wp\_. Description: "If you want to run multiple WordPress installations in a single database, change this."

At the bottom of the form is a "Submit" button.

17. Click the run the installation button.



The screenshot shows the WordPress installation screen after the database configuration. At the top center is the WordPress logo. Below it is a white box containing the following text: "All right, sparky! You've made it through this part of the installation. WordPress can now communicate with your database. If you are ready, time now to..." At the bottom of the box is a "Run the installation" button.

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18. Enter the site title of your website or blog. To access the backend of WordPress you will need to enter a username, example admin. Enter a strong password. Remember to jot down your password for future reference. Type in your email address associated with your WordPress login details. Then click install WordPress.

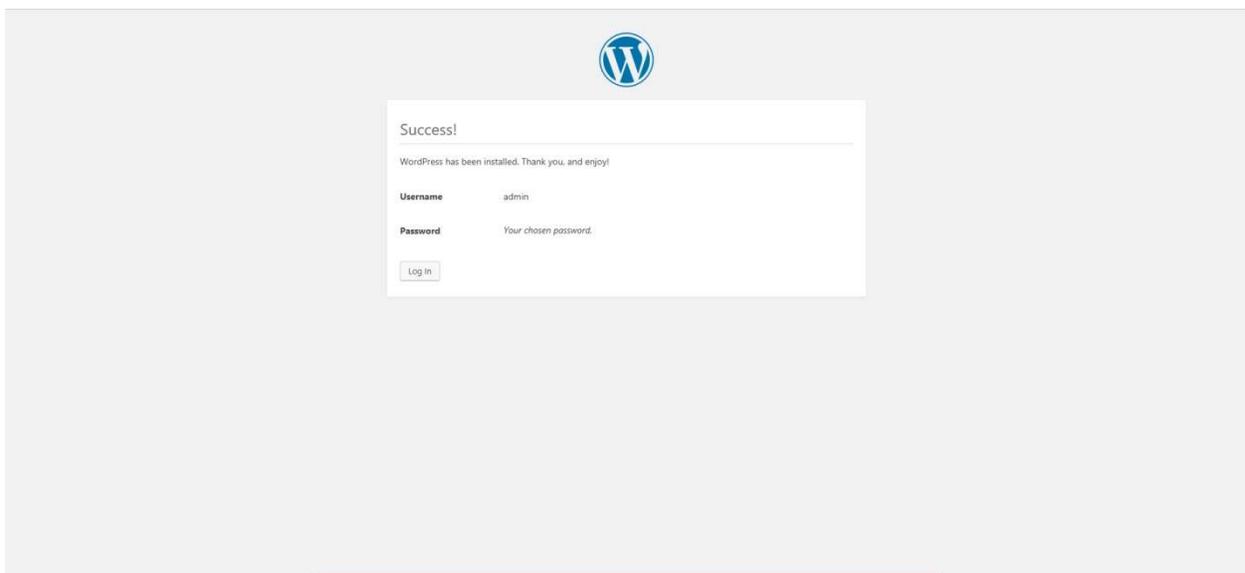


The screenshot shows the WordPress installation 'Welcome' screen. At the top center is the WordPress logo. Below it, the text reads 'Welcome' and 'Welcome to the famous five-minute WordPress installation process! Just fill in the information below and you'll be on your way to using the most extendable and powerful personal publishing platform in the world.' The section 'Information needed' follows, with a note: 'Please provide the following information. Don't worry, you can always change these settings later.' The form contains the following fields and options:

- Site Title:** A text input field containing 'Elyssa McGregor'.
- Username:** A text input field containing 'admin'. Below it, a note states: 'Usernames can have only alphanumeric characters, spaces, underscores, hyphens, periods, and the @ symbol.'
- Password:** A text input field containing a complex password 'z^v^h@P\$F#n1L7iUyF'. To the right is a 'Hide' button. Below the field, a green bar indicates 'Strong' and a note says 'Important: You will need this password to log in. Please store it in a secure location.'
- Your Email:** A text input field containing 'elyssamcgregor@gmail.com'. Below it, a note says 'Double-check your email address before continuing.'
- Search Engine Visibility:** A checkbox labeled 'Discourage search engines from indexing this site. It is up to search engines to honor this request.' The checkbox is currently unchecked.

At the bottom of the form is an 'Install WordPress' button.

19. Success! WordPress has been installed. Thank you and enjoy. Then click on the Log in button.

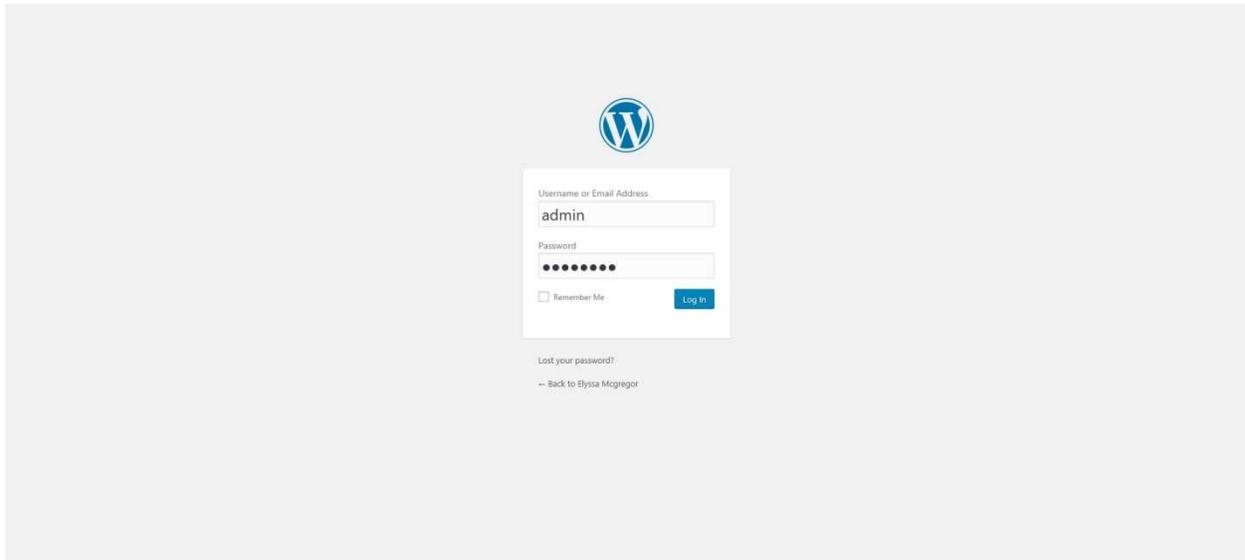


The screenshot shows the WordPress installation 'Success!' screen. At the top center is the WordPress logo. Below it, the text reads 'Success!' and 'WordPress has been installed. Thank you, and enjoy!'. The screen displays the following information:

- Username:** admin
- Password:** Your chosen password.

At the bottom of the screen is a 'Log in' button.

20. Enter your login details from step number 18 to access the backend of your WordPress installation.



That's it you are all ready to get on your way blogging with WordPress.