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A simple starter guide to help you begin building pages with LiveCanvas.

1. What is LiveCanvas?

LiveCanvas is a visual page builder for WordPress that allows you to design website pages using **Bootstrap-based layouts and live editing**.

Unlike many drag-and-drop builders, LiveCanvas gives you **clean code and more design control**, while still making it easy to visually build pages.

Why People Use LiveCanvas

- Build **modern website layouts quickly**
- Design pages **without needing advanced coding skills**
- Use **Bootstrap layouts** for responsive design
- Create **lightweight pages** with clean HTML
- Maintain **more control than traditional page builders**

Example:
You can quickly create a section with a heading, image, and button for a landing page without writing full HTML.

2. The LiveCanvas Editing Workflow

Most work inside LiveCanvas follows the same simple structure.

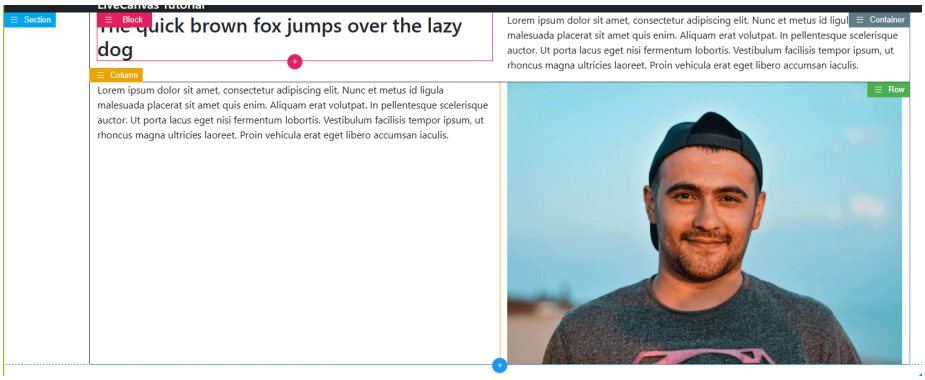
Basic Page Structure

LiveCanvas pages are built using **sections and layout blocks**.

Typical workflow:

1. **1.** Open a page in the LiveCanvas editor.
2. **2.** Add a **section** to your page.
3. **3.** Insert a **row** inside the section.
4. **4.** Add **columns** inside the row.
5. **5.** Place **content elements** inside the columns.

The following image shows a section containing two rows each having two columns,
The first column in the first row contains a heading content block. The second column has a text paragraph content block.
The first column of the second row has a text paragraph content block and the second column an image content block.



1. **Example Layout Structure**

Section
→ Row
→ Column
→ Heading
→ Image
→ Button

Think of it like **building blocks stacked on top of each other**.

3. The 7 Most Important Things Beginners Should Learn First

1. Sections Control Page Structure

Sections are the **main containers** of your page.

Use them to group content like:

- Hero sections
- Feature sections
- Testimonials
- Contact sections

Tip:
Start with one section at a time to avoid messy layouts.

2. Rows and Columns Create Layouts

Rows and columns determine how your content is arranged.

Examples:

- **1 column** → Simple centered content
- **2 columns** → Image + text layout
- **3 columns** → Feature grid

Tip:
Most pages look clean with **1–3 columns per row**.

3. Content Goes Inside Columns

Elements like:

- Headings
- Text
- Images
- Buttons
- Icons

are placed **inside columns**.

Tip:
Keep columns focused on **one main message**.

4. Spacing Makes Layouts Look Professional

Spacing includes:

- **Padding** (space inside elements)
- **Margins** (space between elements)

Good spacing makes your page easier to read.

Tip:
Avoid overcrowding sections.

5. Backgrounds Improve Visual Design

Sections can have:

- Solid colors
- Images
- Gradients

These help separate different parts of your page.

Example:
Hero section with a **background image and overlay text**.

6. Mobile Layout Matters

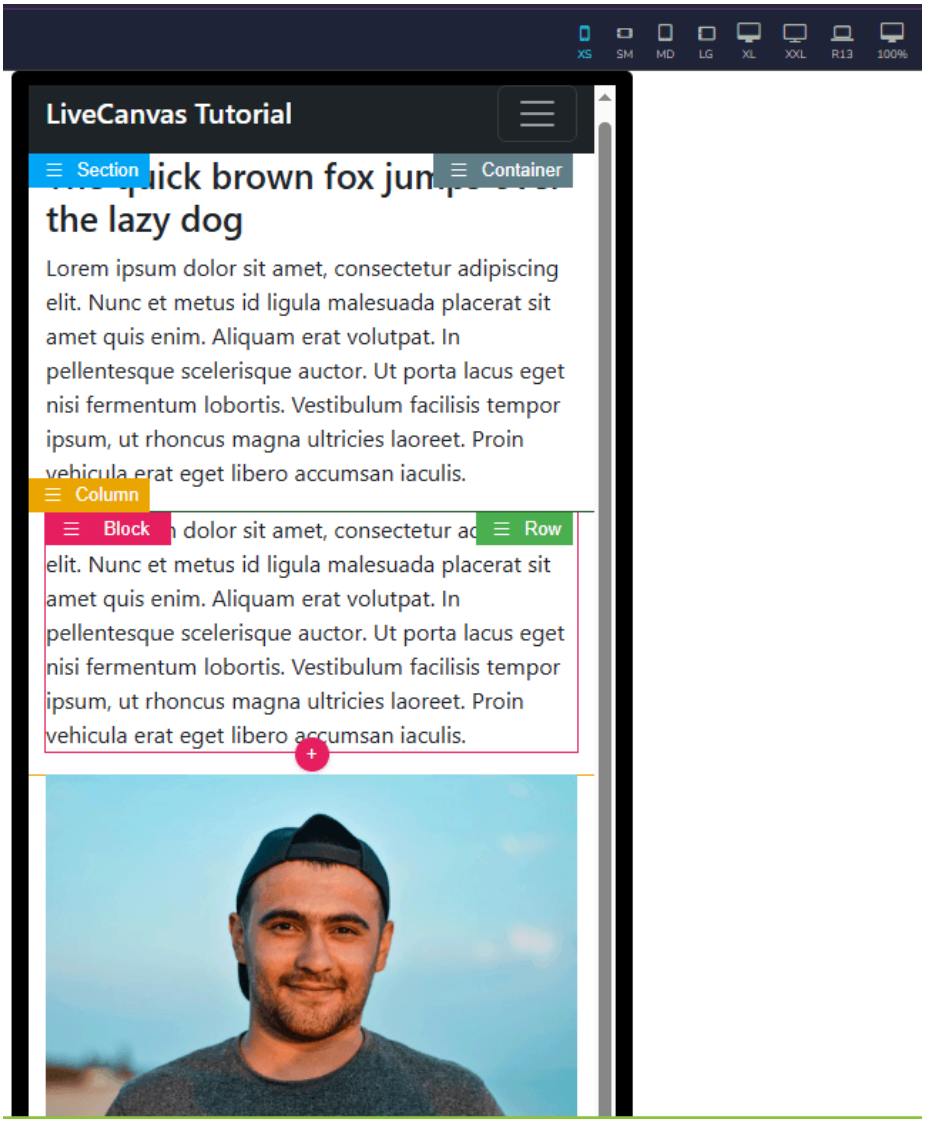
LiveCanvas uses Bootstrap, which helps pages adapt to different screens.

Always preview:

- **Desktop**
- **Tablet**
- **Mobile**

Tip:
Columns often stack vertically on mobile.

The next image shows the mobile view of the previous example. Note the buttons in the top right to select the different view sizes.



7. Reusable Sections Save Time

You can save sections and reuse them across pages.

Examples:

- Call-to-action sections

- Testimonials
- Contact blocks

Tip:
Reuse layouts to build pages faster.

4. Example: Build a Simple Section

Let's create a basic section with:

- Heading
- Image
- Button

This is one of the most common layouts used on websites.

Step 1: Add a New Section

Open your page in LiveCanvas.

Add a **new section** to the page.

This section will hold your content.

Step 2: Insert a Row

Inside the section:

Add a **row**.

Rows help organize columns and content.

Step 3: Add Columns

Add **two columns**.

Example layout:

Column 1 → Text
Column 2 → Image

This creates a common **text + image layout**.



Step 4: Add a Heading

Inside the first column:

Add a **heading element**.

Example:

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Keep headings short and clear.

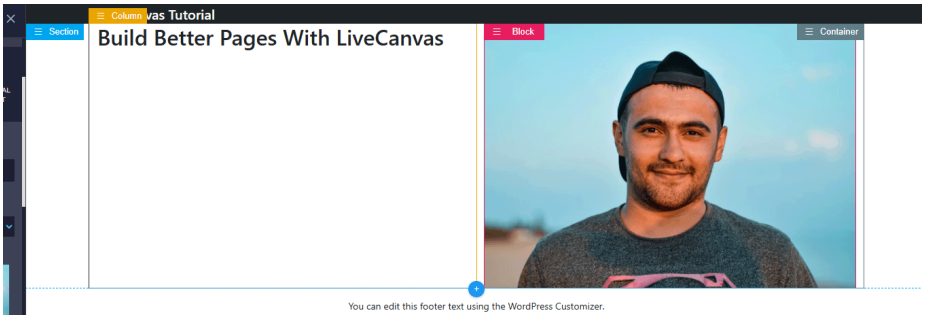


Step 5: Add an Image

Inside the second column:

Insert an **image element**.

Upload an image or choose one from the media library.



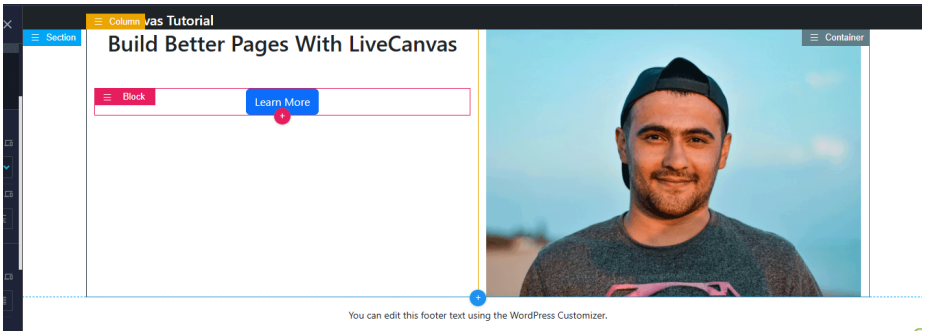
Step 6: Add a Button

Below the heading, add a **button**.

Example button text:

Learn More
Add a link to:

- another page
- a contact form
- a product page

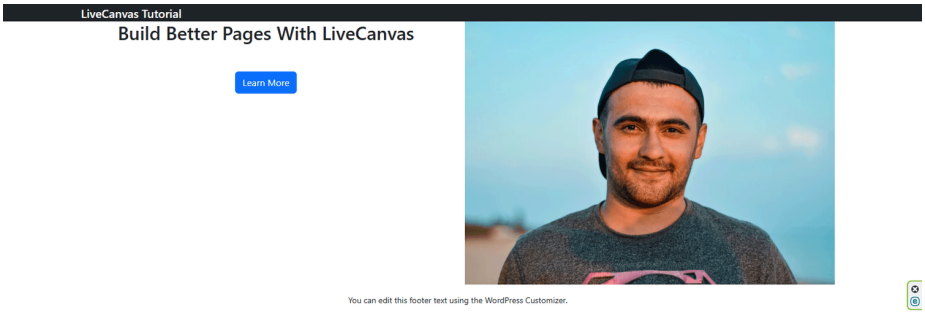


Final Layout Example

Section
Row
Column 1
Heading
Button

Column 2
Image

You now have a **simple professional section**.



5. Beginner Tips

Keep Layouts Simple

Avoid too many columns or elements in one section.

Clean layouts are easier to read.

Use Consistent Spacing

Make sure spacing is consistent between sections.

Uneven spacing can make pages feel messy.

Test Mobile Layouts

Always check mobile previews.

Small fixes can dramatically improve mobile usability.

Limit Colors

Too many colors make pages look unprofessional.

Stick to **2–3 main colors**.

Reuse Good Sections

When you build a section you like:

Save it and reuse it on other pages.

This saves time and keeps your design consistent.

Final Thoughts

LiveCanvas is powerful because it combines **visual editing with clean code and flexible layouts**.

Start by mastering:

- Sections
- Rows
- Columns
- Simple content elements

Once you understand these basics, you can quickly build **beautiful, responsive pages** with LiveCanvas.

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