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In this tutorial, you will learn what a 'sticky' post is and how to make a sticky post in WordPress.

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What Is A Sticky Post?

If you frequent any online forums or discussion groups, then you are probably familiar with the concept of a 'featured' topic, thread, or post.

This is where a selected item remains "pinned" to the top of the screen and does not get displaced from its position by more recent entries. It stays fixed in its position, as older entries get pushed lower down the page.

Similarly, WordPress also lets you feature posts at the top of your **blog page** even as you add newer posts, which then display below your featured item and older entries get pushed down the page.

In WordPress, featured, fixed, or pinned posts are referred to as 'sticky' posts.

How To Create A Sticky Post In WordPress – Step-By-Step Tutorial

By default, WordPress displays posts on your blog post page in reverse chronological order (i.e. newer posts are listed at the top and older posts get pushed down the page).

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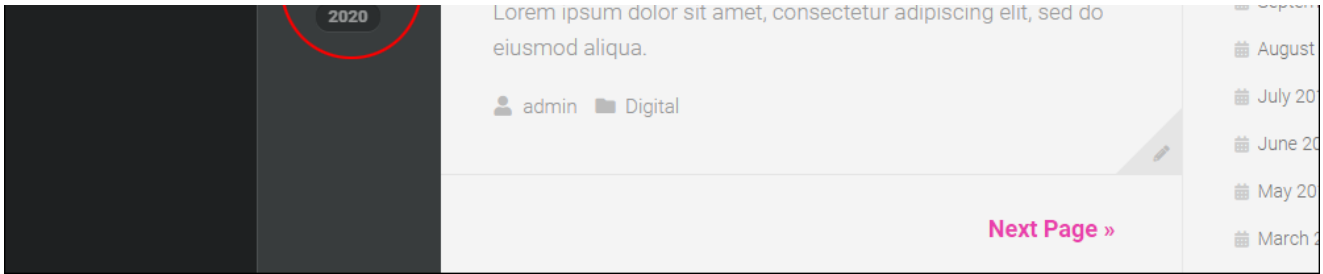
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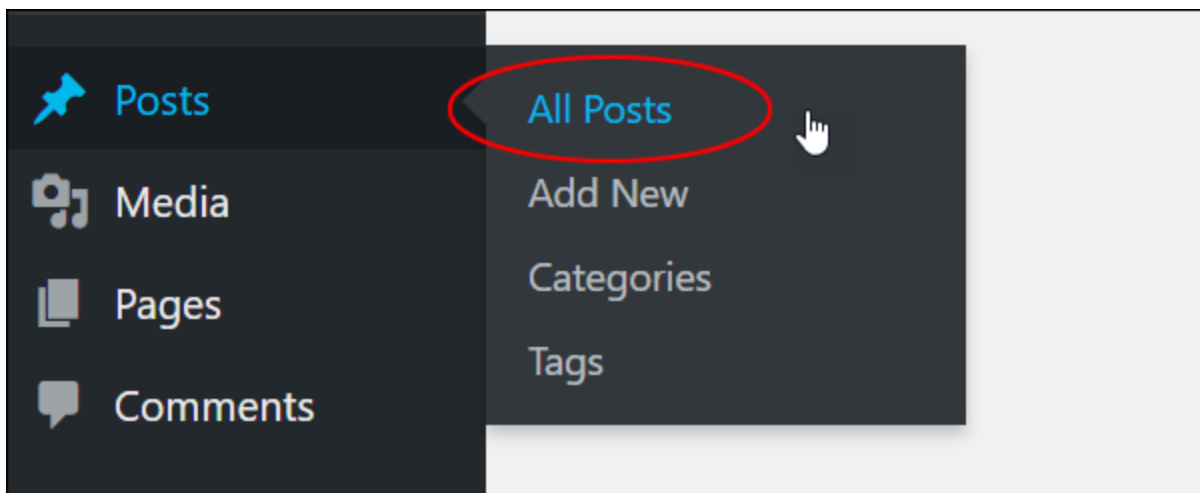
Newer posts display at the top of your blog page in reverse chronological order.

In WordPress, you can designate posts to feature and display at the top of your blog page by making them *sticky*. Your visitors will then see these posts above all other posts.

Sticky posts will remain pinned at the top of your blog page until you remove the 'sticky' option on your Post Edit screen.

Follow the steps below to make any post on your site 'sticky':

Log into your WordPress administration area and select **Posts > All Posts** from the main menu.



WordPress Posts Menu – All Posts

This will bring up the *Posts* screen with your Table of Posts.

<input type="checkbox"/> Title	Author	Categories	Date
<input type="checkbox"/> Let's Build A Snug House Bug House — Scheduled	admin	Digital	Scheduled 2021/08/20 at 10:24 am
<input type="checkbox"/> How To Make Money In Your Sleep	Bob Writer	Business	Published 2020/09/17 at 9:30 am
<input type="checkbox"/> Build A Better Mouse Trap And Get Out Of The Rat Race	Bob Writer	Digital	Published 2020/09/16 at 7:55 am
<input type="checkbox"/> Will Glass Coffins Ever Become Popular? Remains To Be Seen	Bob Writer	Digital	Published 2020/09/15 at 8:17 am
<input type="checkbox"/> Herding Cats – The New Management Paradigm	Bob Writer	Digital	Published 2020/09/14 at 7:57 am
<input type="checkbox"/> Help Kickstart Our New Venture	admin	Digital	Published 2020/09/13 at 9:59 am
<input type="checkbox"/> The Rise And Rise Of Flat Cake	Con Tributor	Digital	Published 2020/09/12 at 8:38 pm
<input type="checkbox"/> Lorem ipsum	Bob Writer	Digital	Published 2020/08/20 at 5:32 am
<input type="checkbox"/> US Declaration Of Independence	admin	Digital	Published 2020/08/19 at 9:20 am
<input type="checkbox"/> How to Set Your Cat Among Your Pigeons	Bob Writer	Digital	Published 2020/08/12 at 9:14 pm

WordPress Table of Posts

From here, there are two ways to make your posts sticky.

Let's look at each of these methods:

1. Make A Post Sticky In WordPress Using Quick Edit

In the *Posts* screen, locate the post you would like to make sticky, then hover over the post title to view the options menu and click on the 'Quick Edit' link.



Click on the Quick Edit link.

The inline editor will expand and display all of your post editing options. Look for the 'Make this post sticky' option.

QUICK EDIT

Title: Will Glass Coffins Ever Become Popular? Remains To I

Slug: glass-coffins

Date: 09-Sep 15, 2020 at 08:17

Author: Bob Writer

Categories: Business, Copywriting, Customer Service, Digital, Finance

Tags: Allow Comments, Allow Pings

Status: Published Make this post sticky

Buttons: Cancel, Update

Quick Edit – ‘Make this post sticky’ option.

Tick the ‘Make this post sticky’ checkbox.

Categories: Business, Copywriting, Customer Service, Digital, Finance

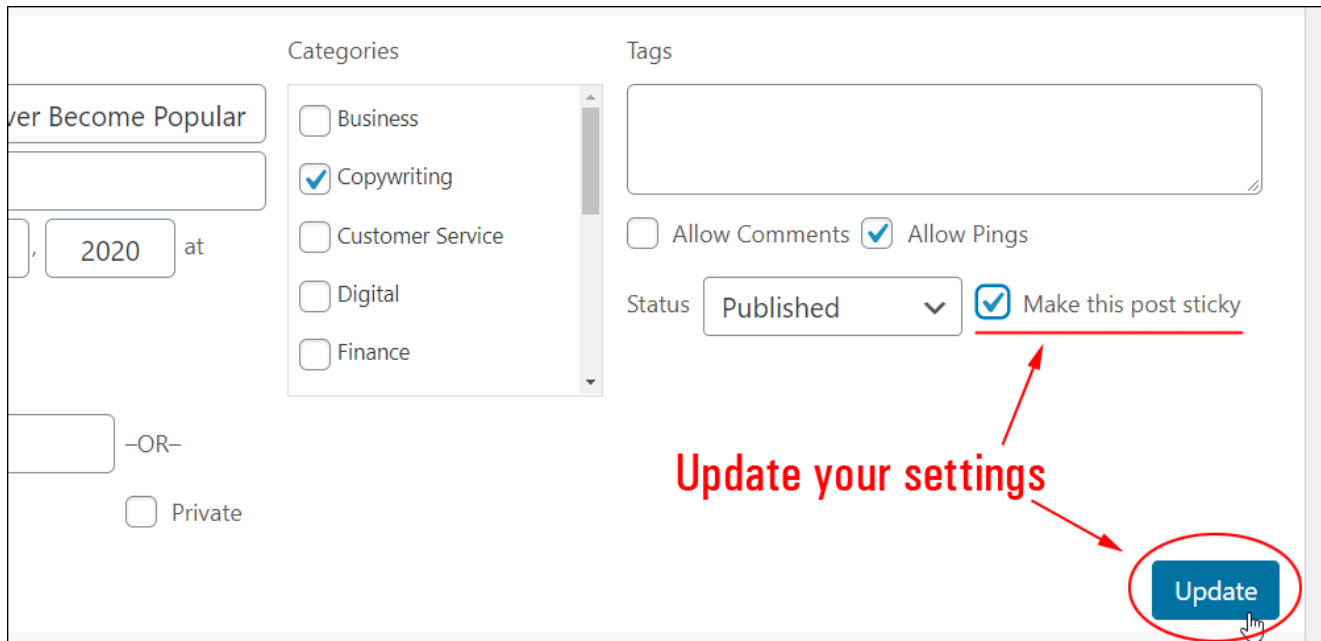
Tags: Allow Comments, Allow Pings

Status: Published Make this post sticky

Buttons: Update

Tick the ‘Make this post sticky’ checkbox.

Click the ‘Update’ button to save your changes and update your post settings.

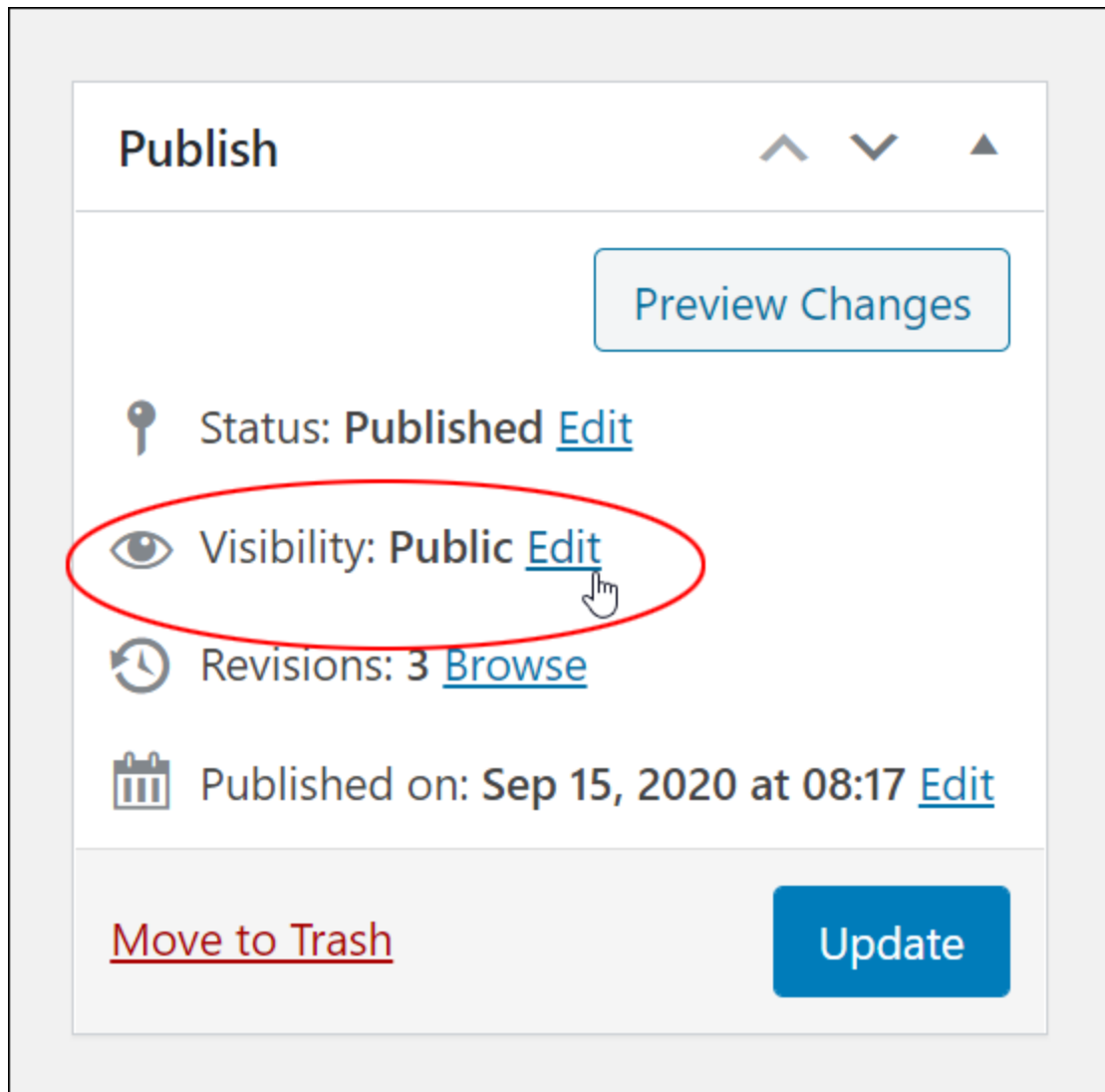


Click the 'Update' button to save your changes.

Your post is now 'sticky.'

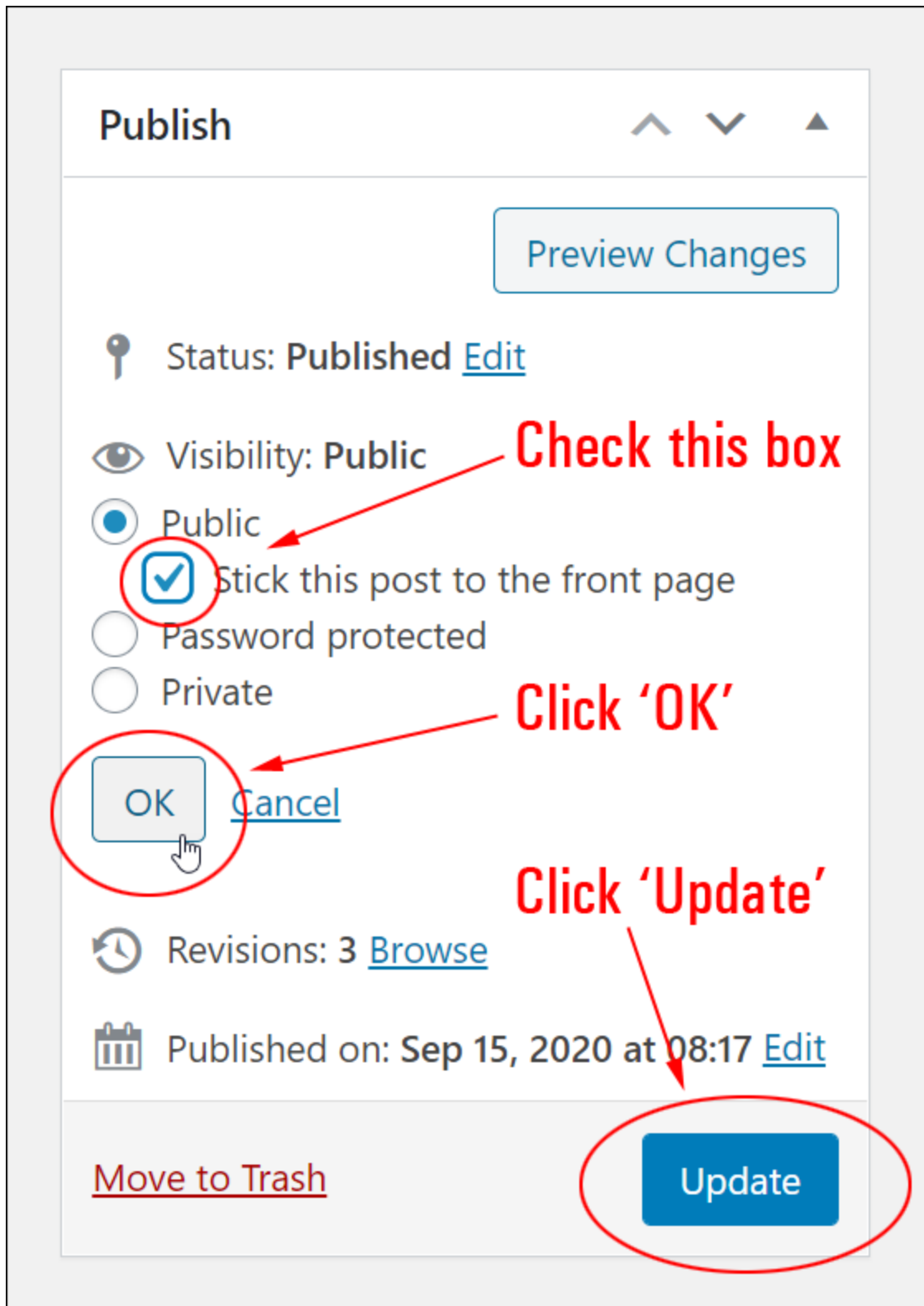
2. Make A Post Sticky From The Post Edit Screen

If you are creating a new post or editing the content of an existing post, you can make the post sticky by clicking the **Publish Box > Visibility: Public > Edit** link as shown below.



Publish box visibility edit settings.

Tick the checkbox next to 'Stick this post to the front page' then click the **OK** and **Update** buttons to save your changes and update your settings.

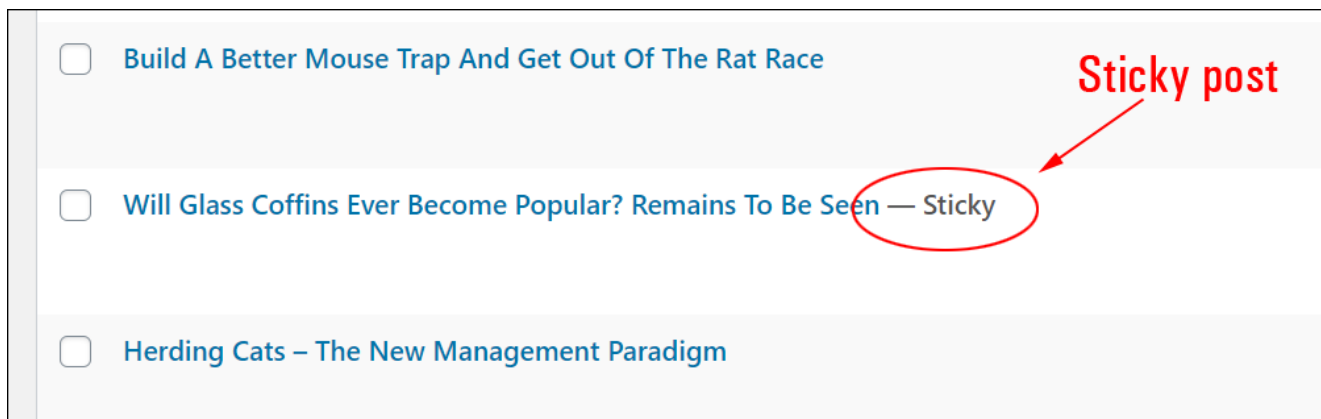


Check the 'Stick this post to the front page' checkbox to create a sticky post.

Your post is now 'sticky.'

Using Sticky Posts In WordPress

When you make a post sticky in WordPress, its post status will display as 'Sticky' in the Table of Posts.



Sticky Post status

The post will then feature at the top of your blog page above all other regular posts. It will remain pinned to the top even as newer posts are added.

The screenshot shows a WordPress blog homepage titled "My Site" with the subtitle "My WordPress site". The navigation menu includes "HOME", "ABOUT US", and "CONTACT US". A search bar is located in the top right corner. On the left side, there is a dark sidebar with a calendar view showing dates 15, 17, and 16 of September 2020. The main content area displays three posts:

- Sticky post:** "Will Glass Coffins Ever Become Popular? Remains To Be Seen" by Bob Writer, categorized as Digital. This post is highlighted with a red arrow and the text "Sticky post".
- Regular posts:** "How To Make Money In Your Sleep" and "Build A Better Mouse Trap And Get Out Of The Rat Race" by Bob Writer, categorized as Business. These posts are highlighted with red arrows and the text "Regular posts".

On the right side, there are two widget areas: "RECENT POSTS" and "RECENT COMMENTS". The "RECENT POSTS" widget lists: "How To Make Money In Your Sleep", "Build A Better Mouse Trap And Get Out Of The Rat Race", "Will Glass Coffins Ever Become Popular? Remains To Be Seen", "Herding Cats – The New Management Paradigm", and "Help Kickstart Our New Venture". The "RECENT COMMENTS" widget lists comments from "Your Name on Analytics", "Skip Ticklebaum on How To Make Money In Your Sleep", "Blip Horzigler on How To Make Money In Your Sleep", "Yazmin Stokes on Ullam eaque tempore non perferendis", and "Roscoe Wunsch on Quia repellendus nisi exercitationem dignissimos labore funit".

Sticky posts display at the top of your blog posts list, above regular posts.

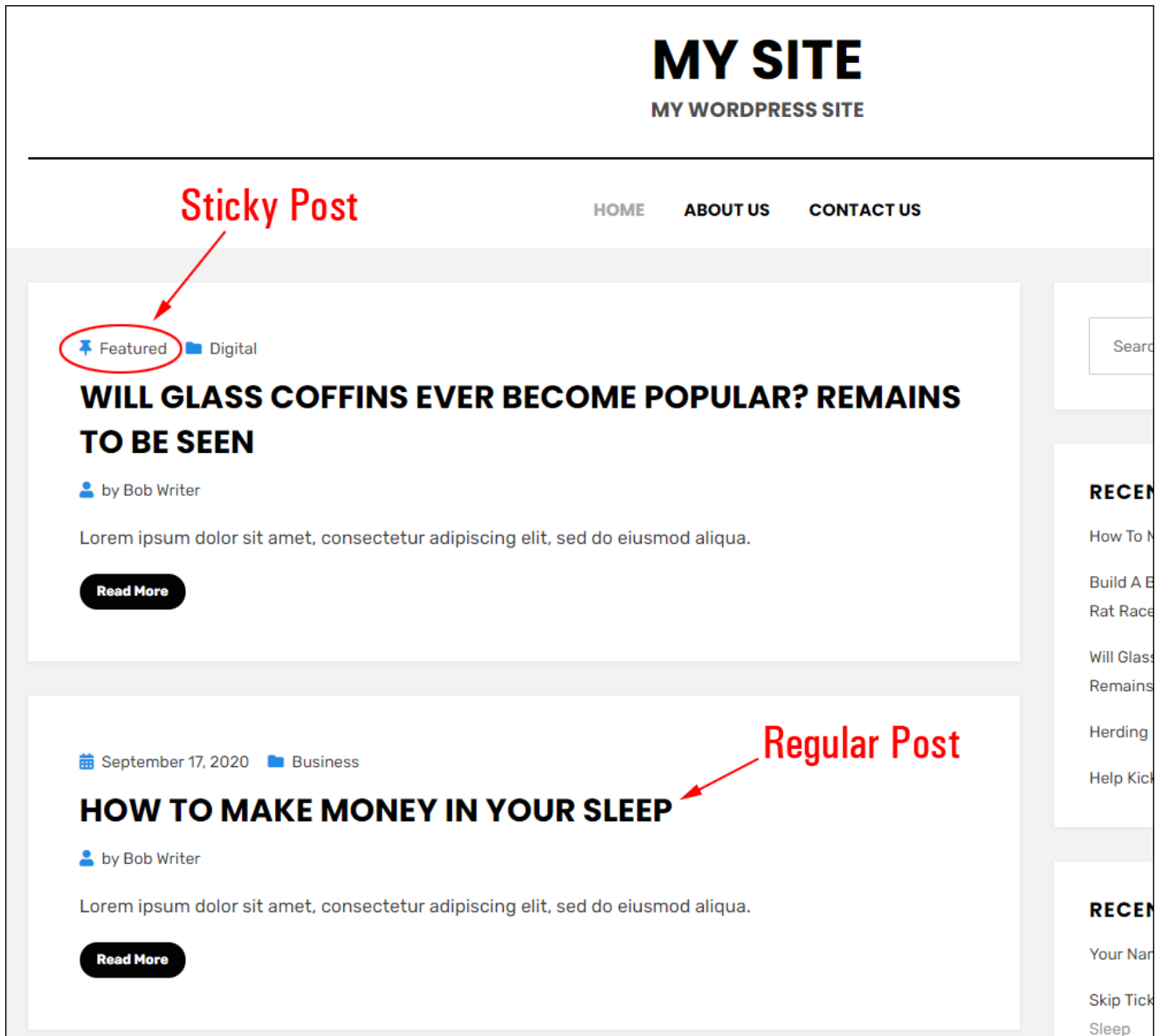


Notes:

- The style of your featured or sticky post depends on the active theme you have installed on your site.
- Some themes do not style sticky posts (i.e. posts marked as sticky don't look any different from regular posts).
- You can have more than one sticky/featured post on your blog page.

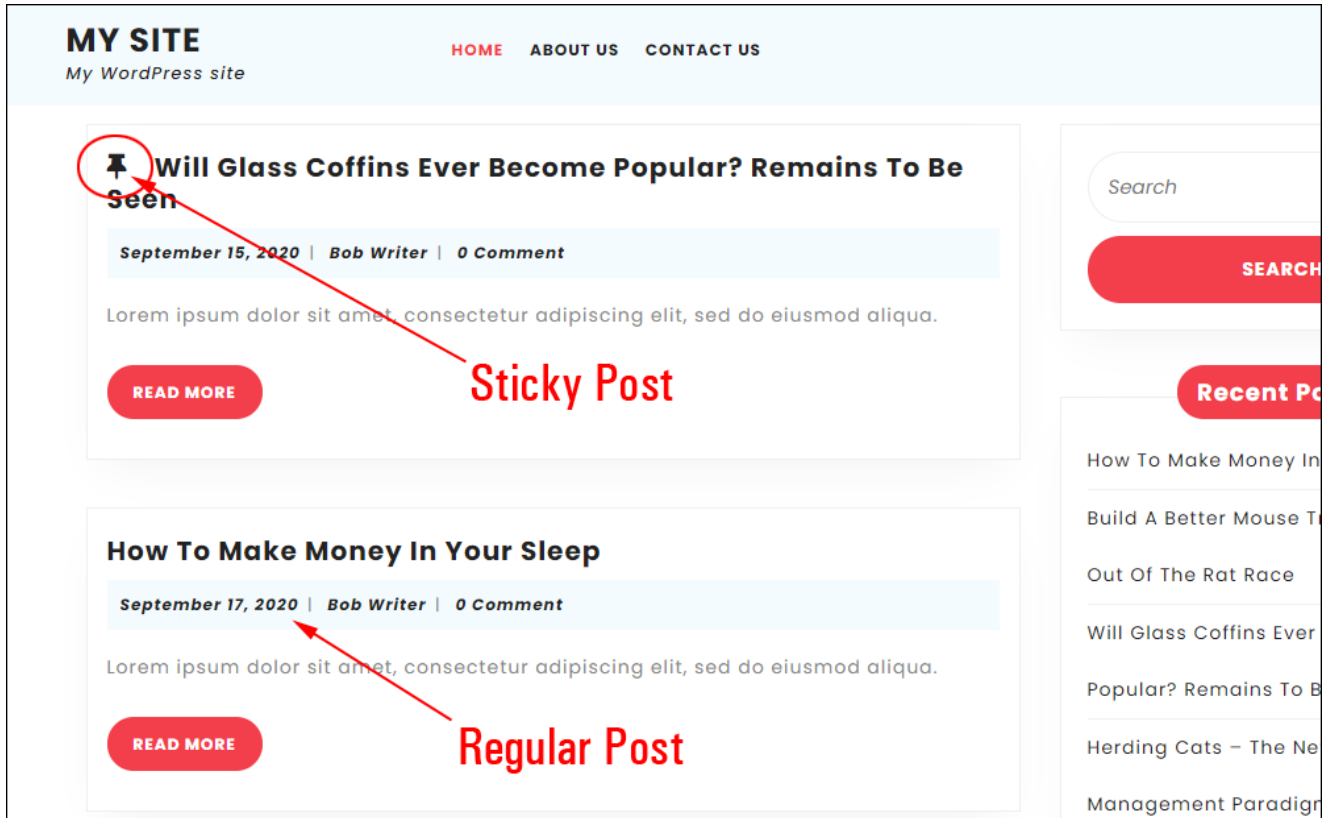
As mentioned above, the style of your sticky post depends on the active theme you have installed. In some themes, sticky posts really stand out from regular posts, while in other themes, visitors will barely notice that a post is being featured on the blog page.

For example, the theme below displays a pin icon and the word 'Featured' when you make a post sticky.



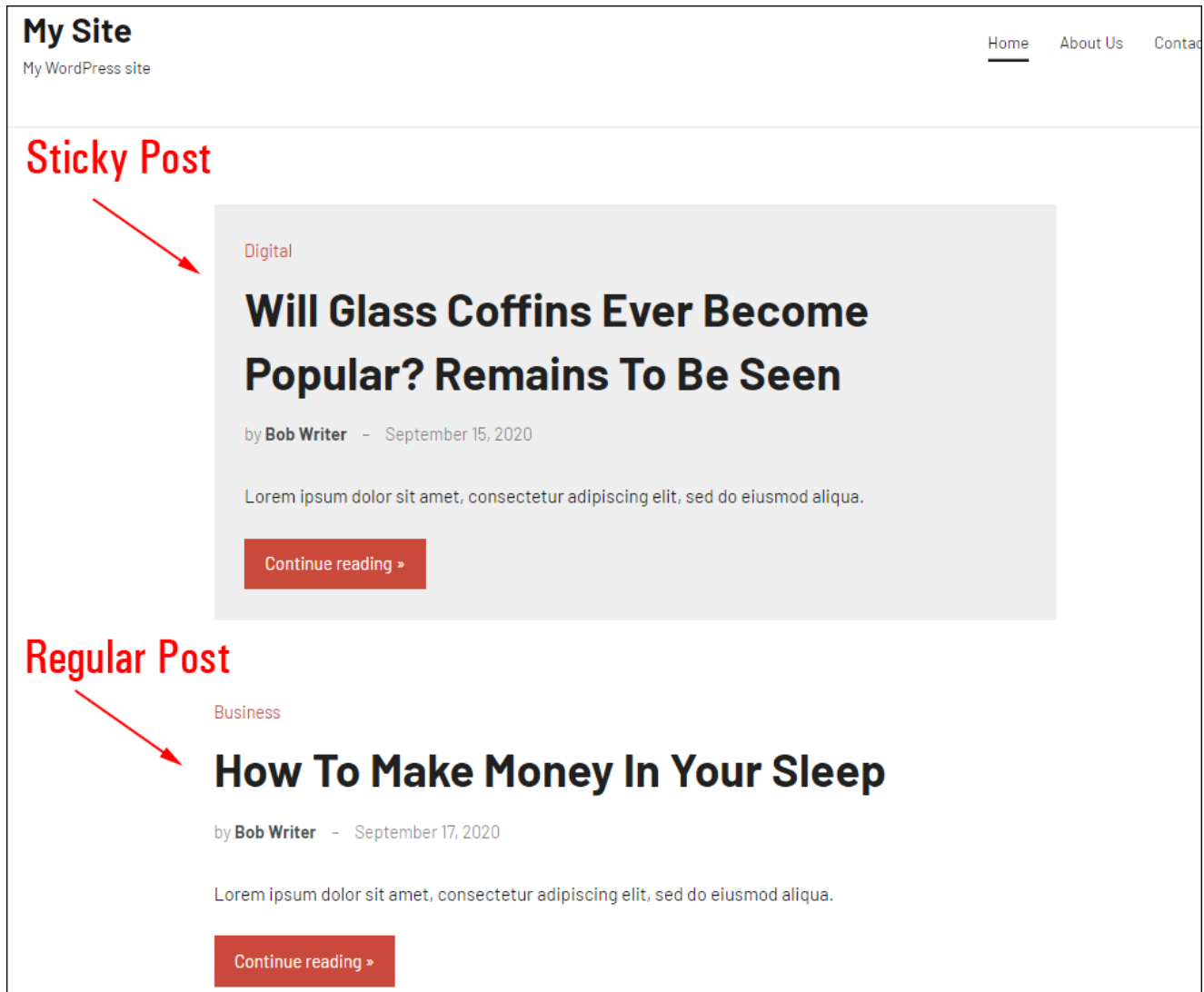
Sticky post vs regular post. Theme: Amphibious

Here's the same example with a different theme installed. This theme displays only the pin icon for a sticky post.



Sticky post vs regular post. Theme: VW Minimalist

Some themes will make sticky posts stand out with a distinctive style or background color.



Sticky post vs regular post. Theme: Harrison

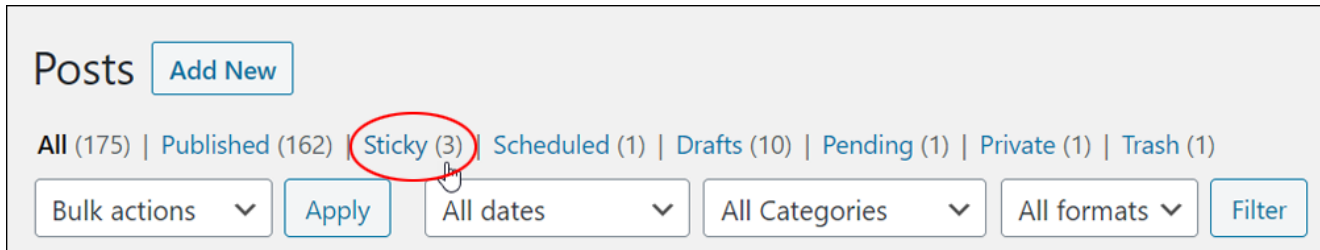
Sticky posts remain sticky until you choose to “unstick” them.

How To Unstick A Sticky Post

Unsticking posts is as simple as reversing the process used to make your posts sticky.

To unstick a post, return to the Posts screen area (**Posts > All Posts**) and click on the ‘Sticky’ menu link above the Table of Posts.

This will return a list of all posts marked as *sticky*.



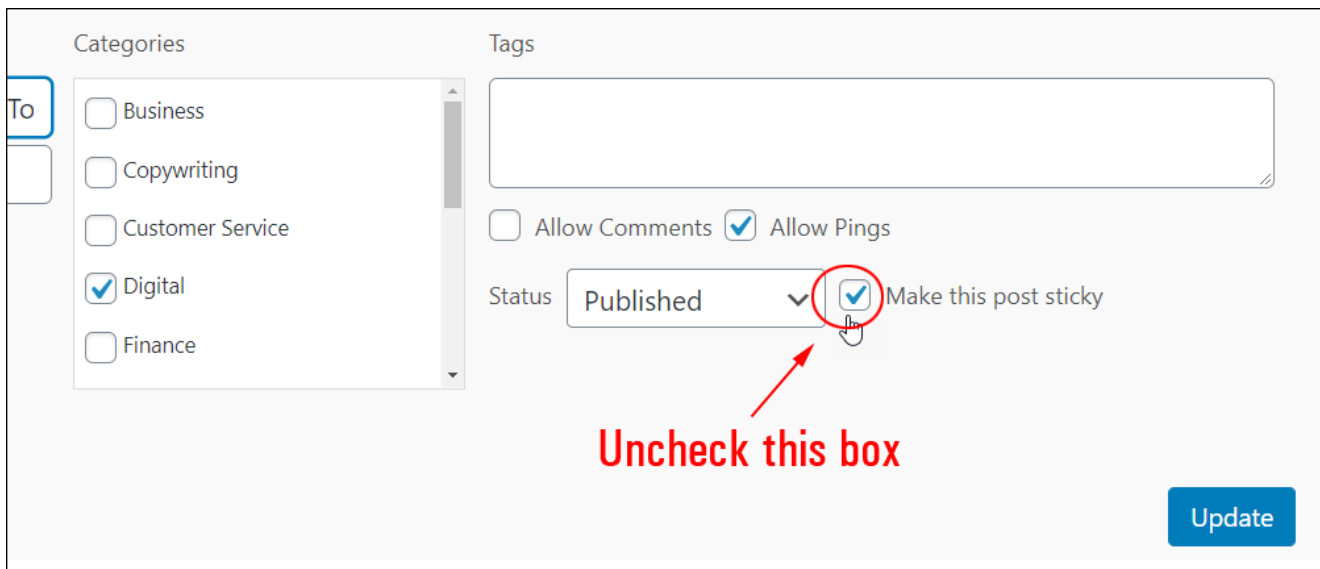
Click on the Sticky menu link.

Hover over the post title to display the options menu and click on the 'Quick Edit' link.



Click on the Quick Edit link.

Deselect the 'Make this post sticky' checkbox and click the 'Update' button to save your changes and update your settings.



Uncheck the 'Make this post sticky' checkbox.

Alternatively, if you are editing an existing post, you can unstick it by clicking on the **Publish Box > Visibility: Public > Edit** link.

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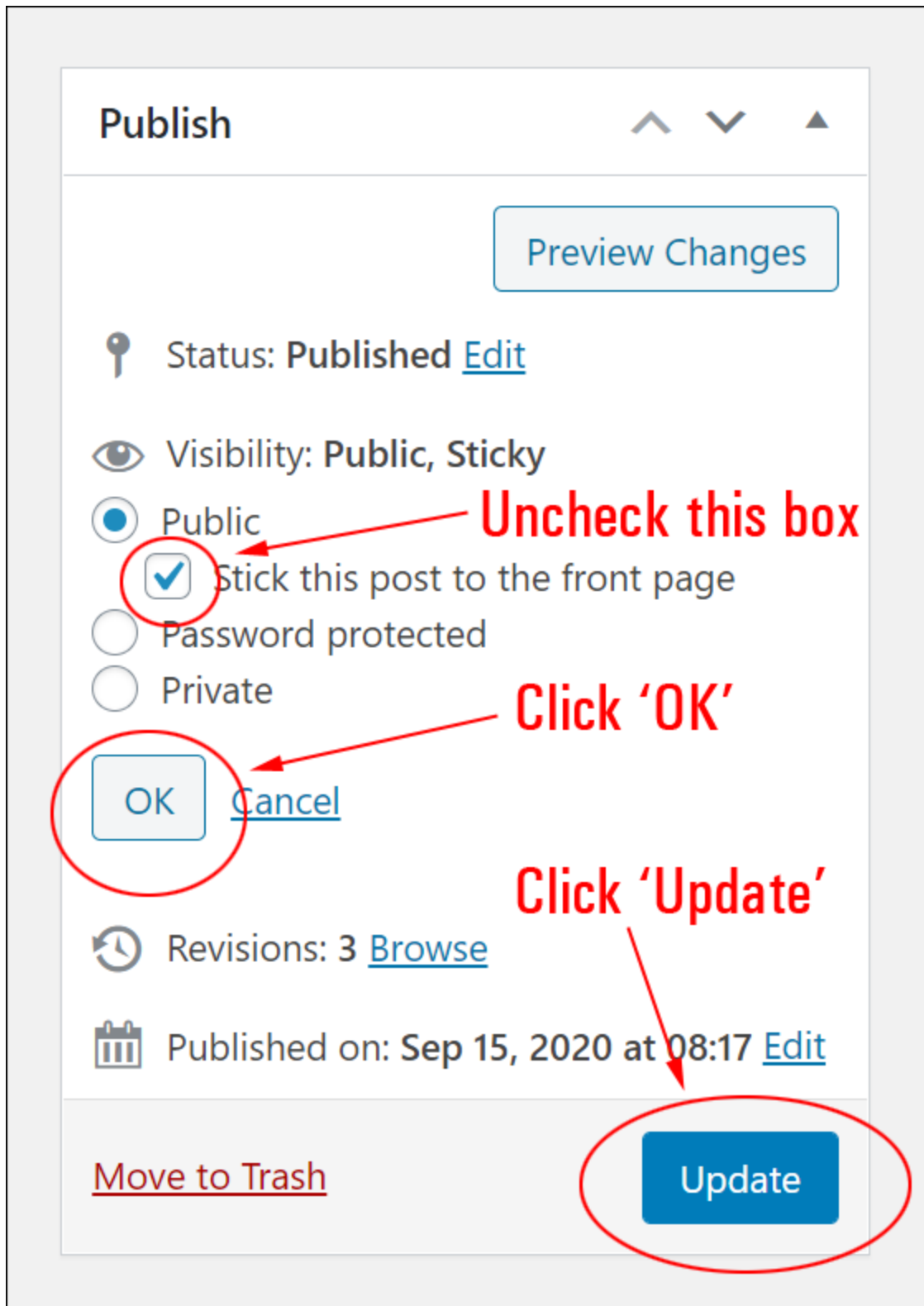
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Click the Publish – Visibility Edit settings link.

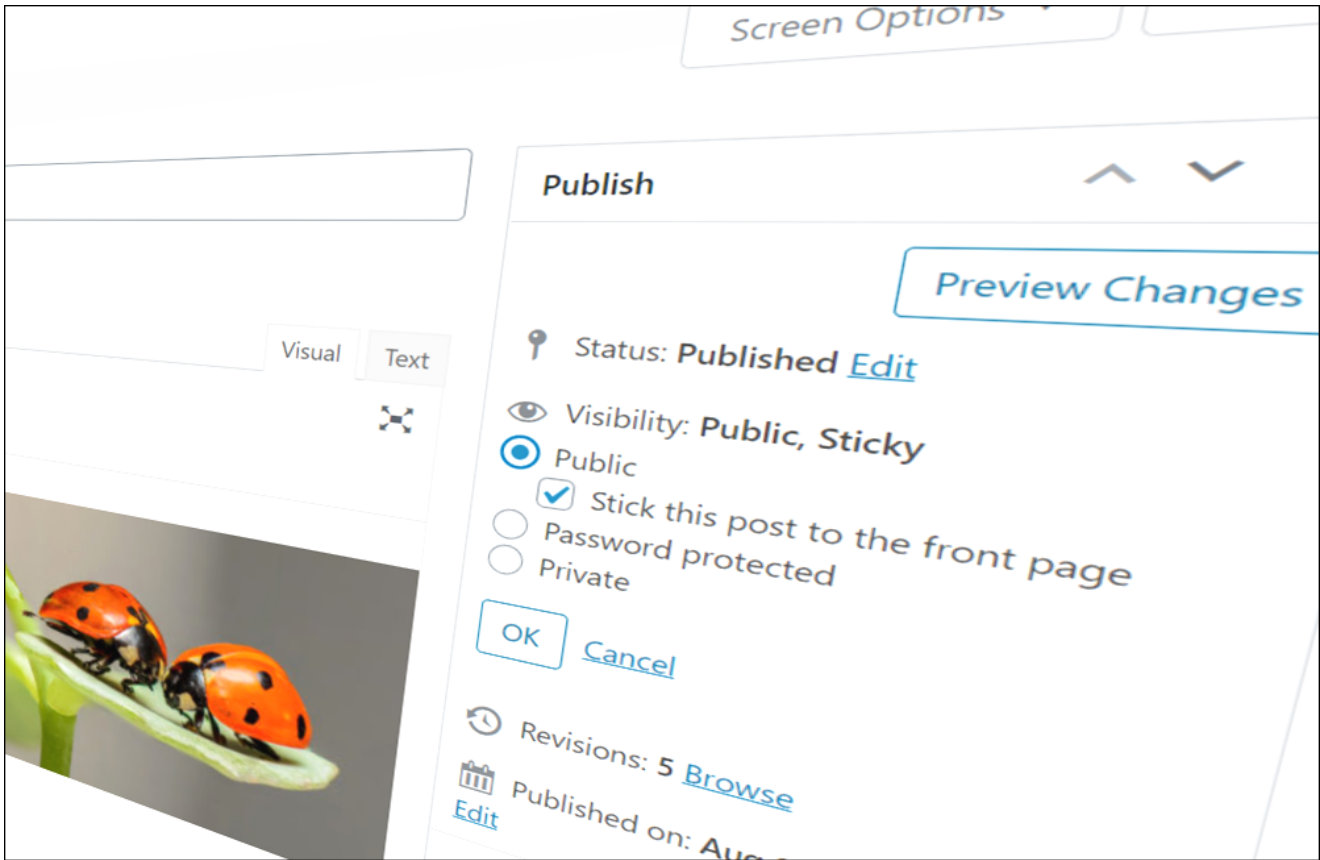
Uncheck the ‘Stick this post to the front page’ checkbox, then click **OK** and **Update** to save your changes.



Unsticking a post.

Your post will no longer be sticky and will behave like all your regular posts.

Congratulations! Now you know how to create a sticky post in WordPress.



Make a WordPress post sticky.

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