

# Getting Started with Bloglines

Bloglines (<http://www.bloglines.com/>) is a free web based RSS reader that can be accessed from any Internet terminal. To use the service you first have to set up an account.

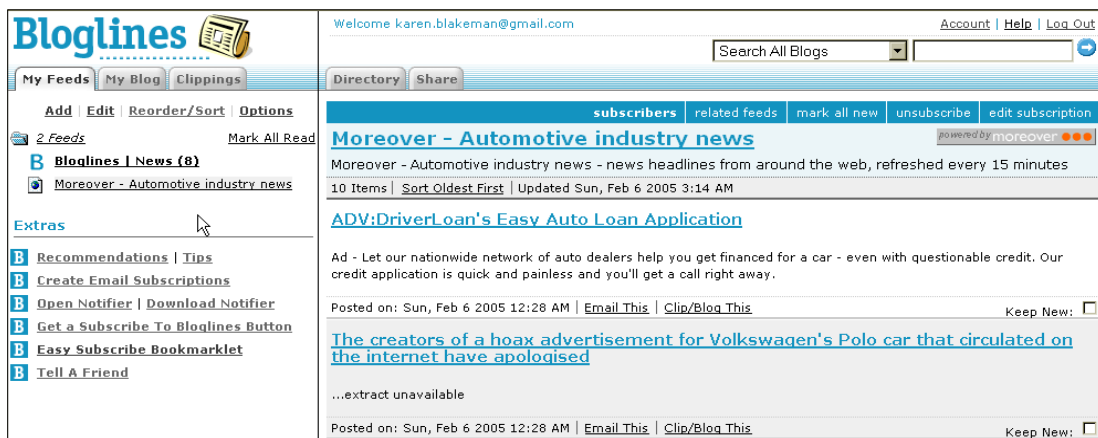
1. Connect to <http://www.bloglines.com/>
2. Click on the Register link in the top right hand corner of the page, fill out the form and click on the Register button.
3. You will be sent a confirmation email to which you must reply to become registered. The email will contain a link which you click on to validate your account.
4. To set up your feeds, login to Bloglines.
  - a) If you have already found an RSS feed on a web site click on the link for that feed. If are not sure where to start and just want to experiment go to Google News (<http://news.google.com/>) and do a search on any topic that is of interest to you. Display the results and on the left hand side of the screen there are links to alerts for your search. Click on the RSS link.
  - b) Copy the URL of the feed page
  - c) Go to Bloglines, make sure you are logged in and click on Feeds and then Add.



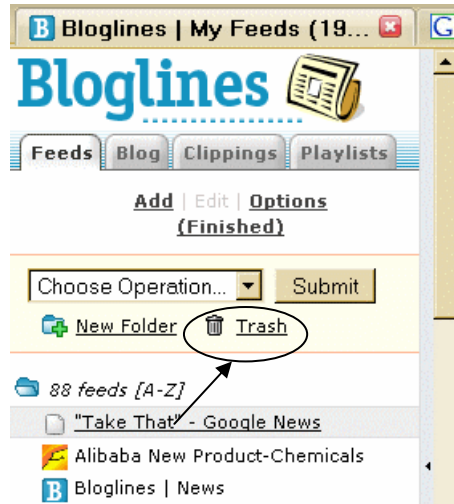
5. Type or paste the URL of the feed into the box and then click on Subscribe.

On the next screen you can choose which folder, if any, the feed is to be added to, how much of the feed you would like to be displayed and also add your own notes for the feed.

6. Highlight the feed in the left hand panel to see all the headlines. To see the full article, simply click on the title link in the right hand pane of the window.



7. Bloglines will automatically mark as read all the headlines in a feed as read after you have displayed them. This means that they will not be displayed the next time you go that feed. If you want to keep individual articles 'visible' click on the Keep New box. To view all the articles recently downloaded select a time period in the 'Display items within the last' drop down menu.
8. Deleting a feed.  
Click on the Edit option, highlight the feed you want to delete and drag it into the Trash icon. That's it!



9. Exporting your list of feeds.
  - a) Log in to your Bloglines account
  - b) Click on My Feeds and go the bottom of the left hand side of the screen
  - c) Click on Export Subscriptions and select Save to disc
  - d) Choose a filename and location on your PC for the saved file.