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A 5 step process, making use of Slashdot's PreviewStory feature, to create URL's that link anywhere and say anything.

1. Go to Slashdot's [story submissions](#) page and fill out the form.
2. Include links and text pointing back to your website. (Shorter is better)
 1. Convert the form action from "POST" to "GET".
 2. I use [Web Developer](#) extension for [Firefox](#). (See screenshot)
 1. Click "PreviewStory".
 1. Copy the Preview Page URL.
 2. Should look something like...

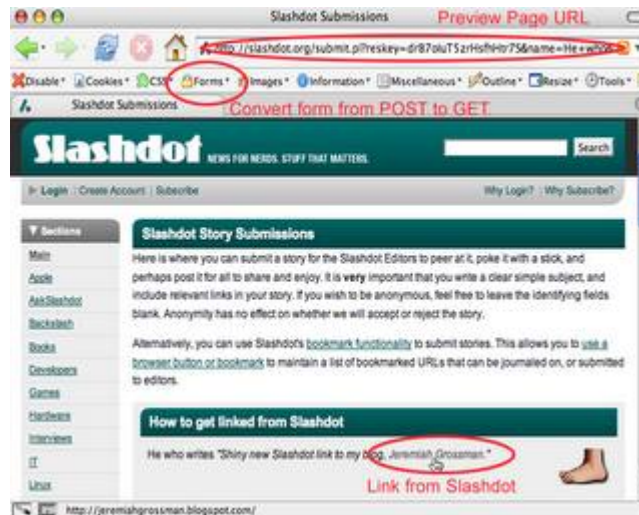
`http://slashdot.org/submit.pl?reskey=drB7oluT5zrHsfhHtr7S&name=He+who&email=&subj=How+to+get+linked+from+Slashdot&primaryskid=0&tid=133&story=Shiny+new+Slashdot+link+to+my+blog%2C+%3Ca+href%3D%22http%3A%2F%2Fjeremiahgrossman.blogspot.com%2F%22%3EJeremiah+Grossman%3C%2Fa%3E.`

Snipping off "op=PreviewStory" makes the link last longer. If you want to shorten the URL snip off "&sub_type=html", maybe "primaryskid=0&tid=133", or use TinyURL.

1. Link to the Preview Page URL from some other webpage .
2. Wait for the search engine crawlers. (Slashdot is now linking to you)

Voila.

Preview Page Screenshot:



Some answered questions

- a) Will I get Slashdot'ed by using this? No. You're unlikely to get visitor traffic from this type of link.
- b) Does Google, Yahoo, MSN index the Preview Page URL? Yes.
- c) Is Slashcode the only software open to this? No. The same technique also works on many blogs, message boards, guestbooks, and comment systems. Just look for the preview feature.
- d) Are the [Black Hat SEO's](#) using this? Of course. In fact its possible to automated the discovery of websites using [Slashcode](#) and generate the Preview Page URL's dynamically.

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