

Strengthening Information in Humanitarian Response

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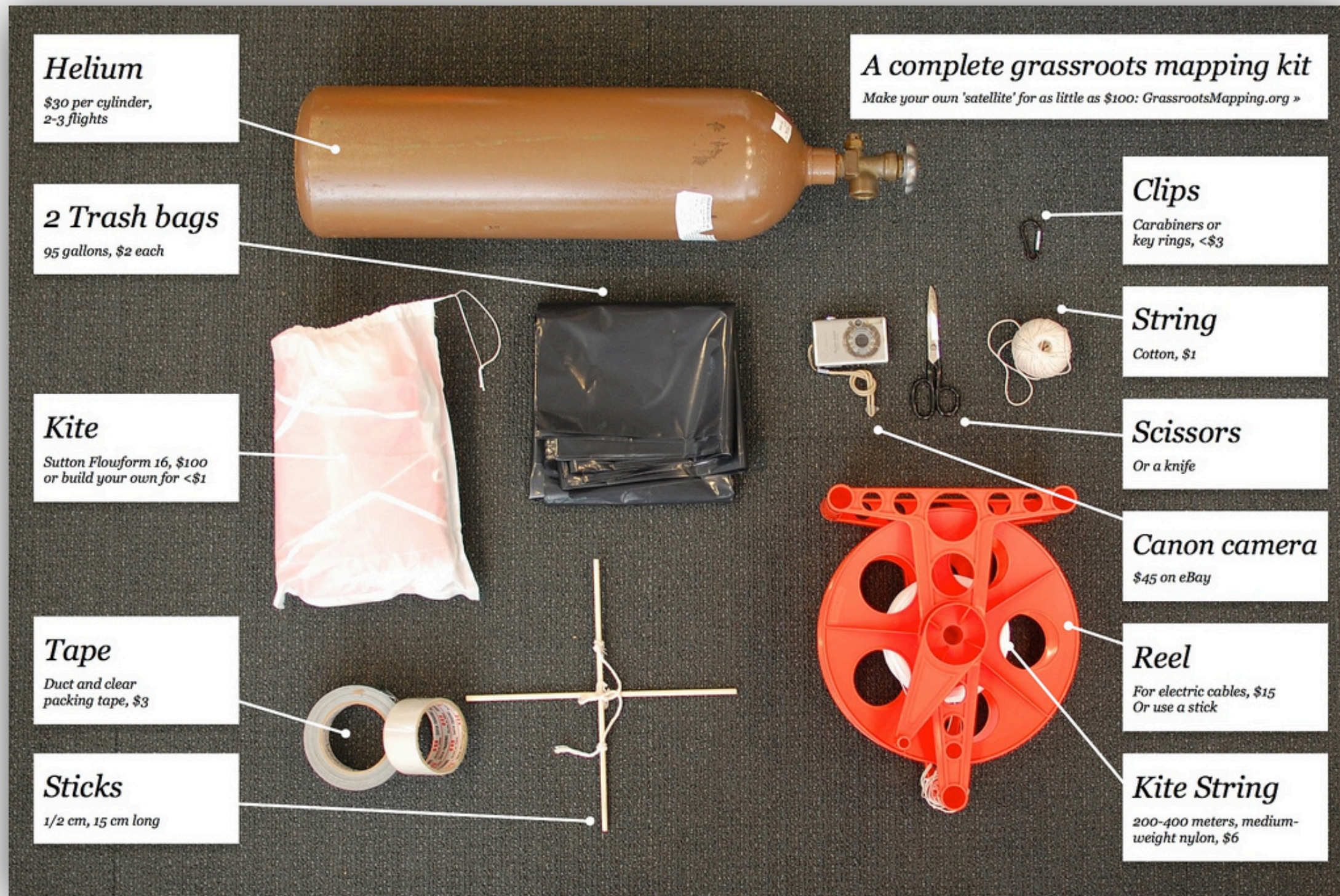


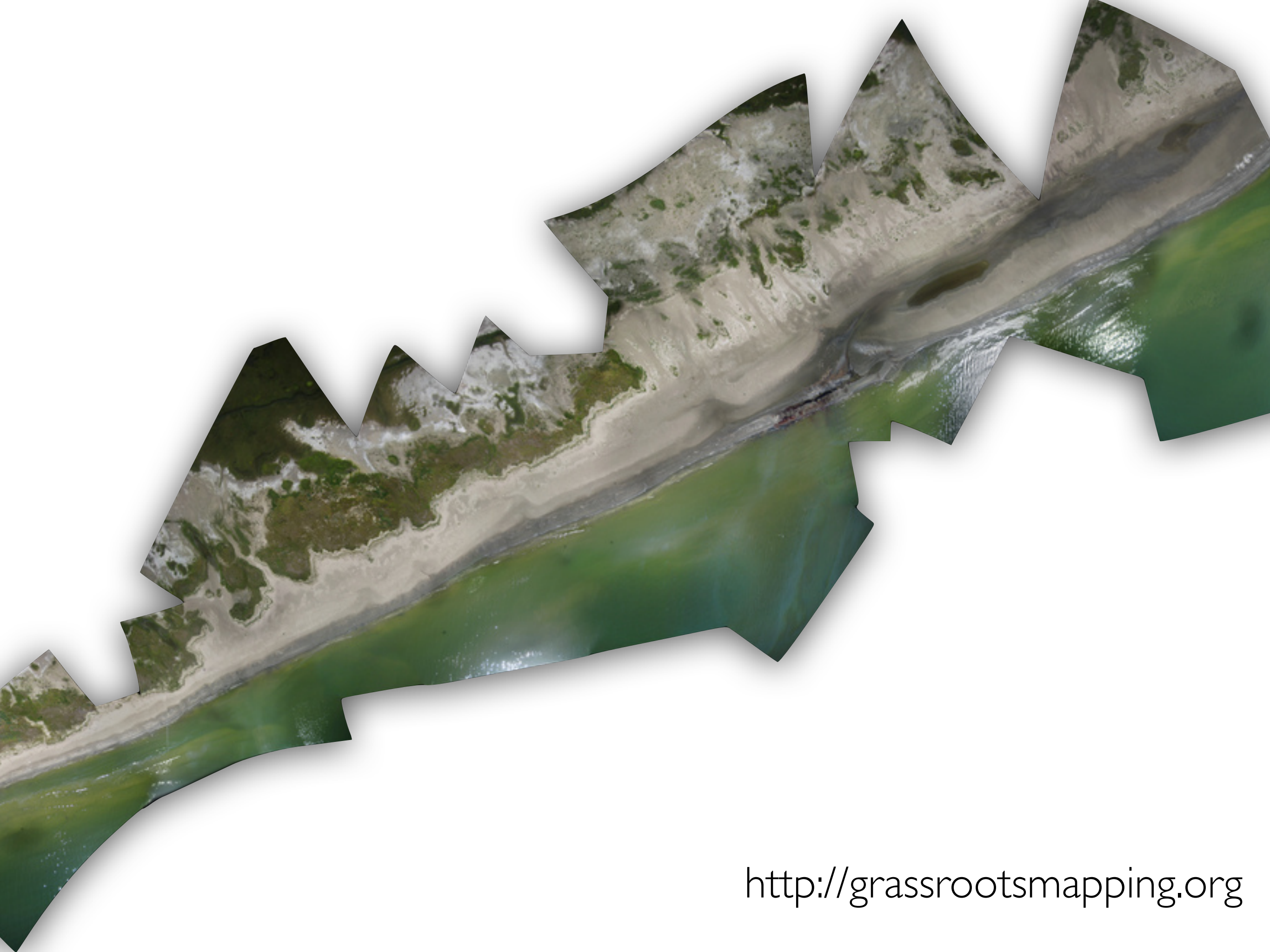
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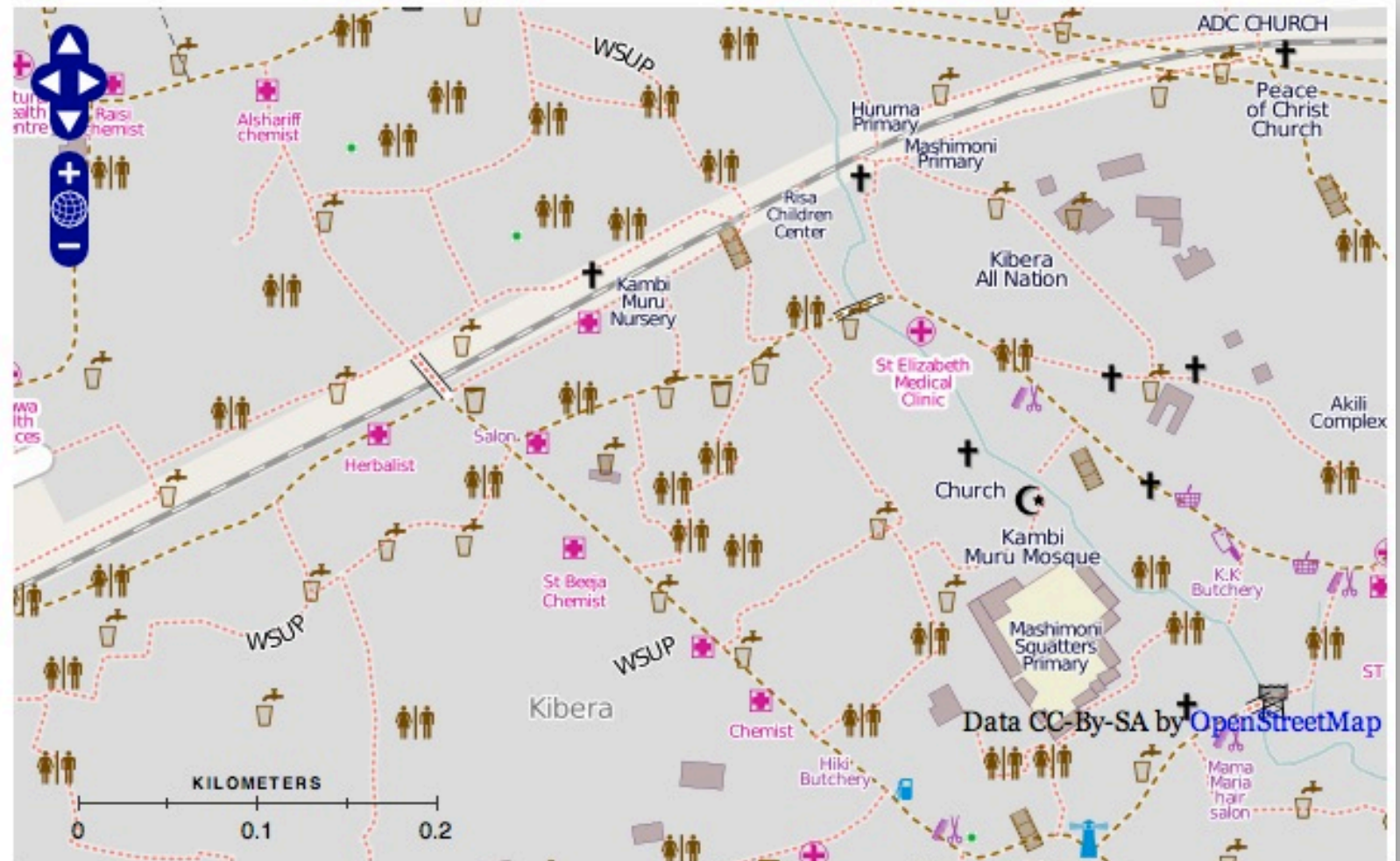
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<http://mapkibera.org>

MAP KIBERA

citizen mapping | citizen media

Kibera in Nairobi, Kenya, was a blank spot on the map until November 2009, when young Kiberans created the first free and open digital map of their own community. Map Kibera has now grown into a complete interactive community information project.



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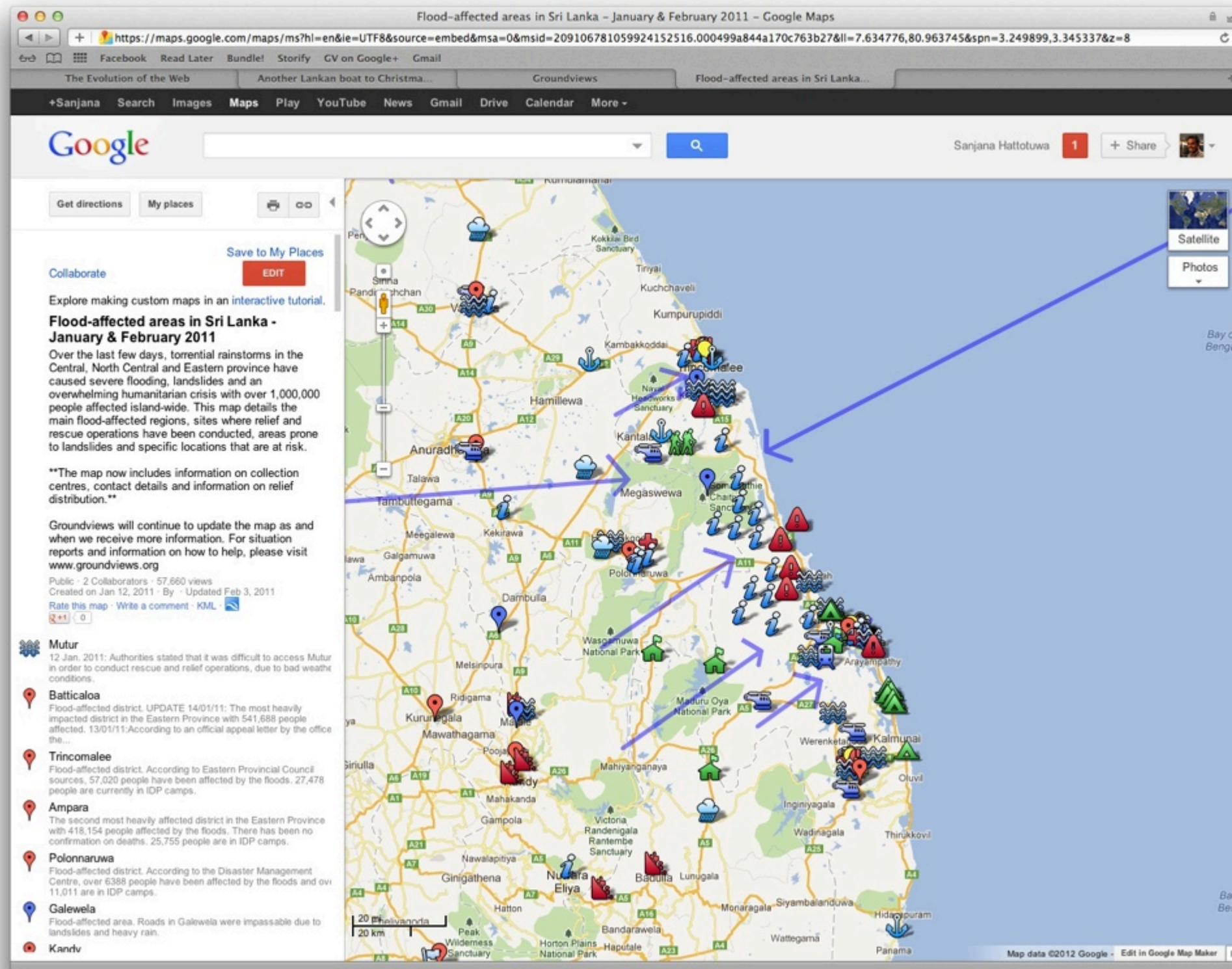
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flood mapping

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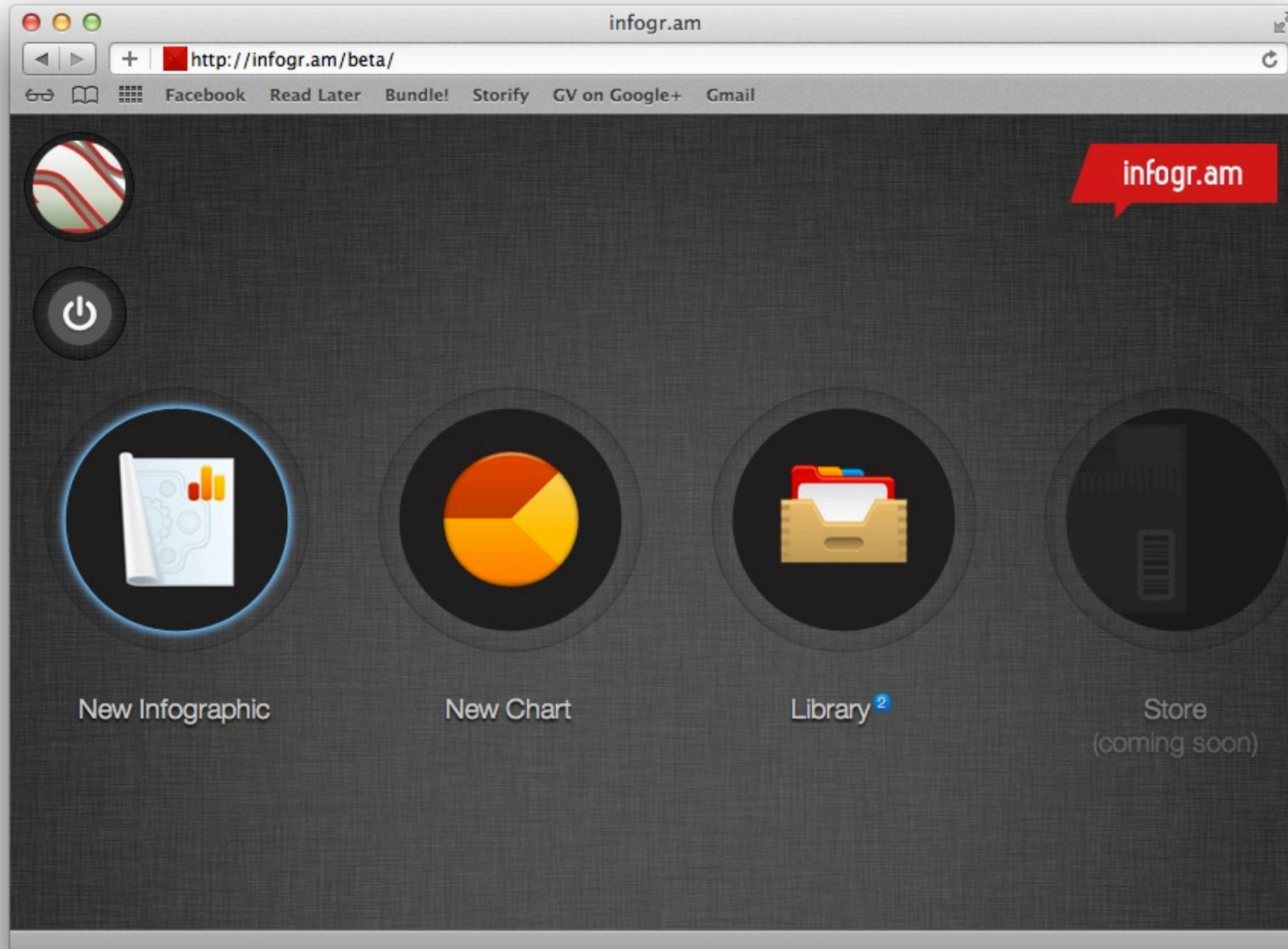


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data visualisation

Infogram: data driven narratives

<http://infogr.am/beta>



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Easel.ly: data driven narratives

<http://www.easel.ly>

The screenshot shows the Easel.ly website interface. At the top, the browser address bar displays <http://www.easel.ly/>. The website header includes the Easel.ly logo, a 'beta' tag, and links for 'login' and 'register'. A main banner area contains the text 'create and share visual ideas online' and 'vhemes are visual themes. drag and drop a vtheme onto your canvas for easy creation of your visual idea!'. A 'watch the video' button is also present.

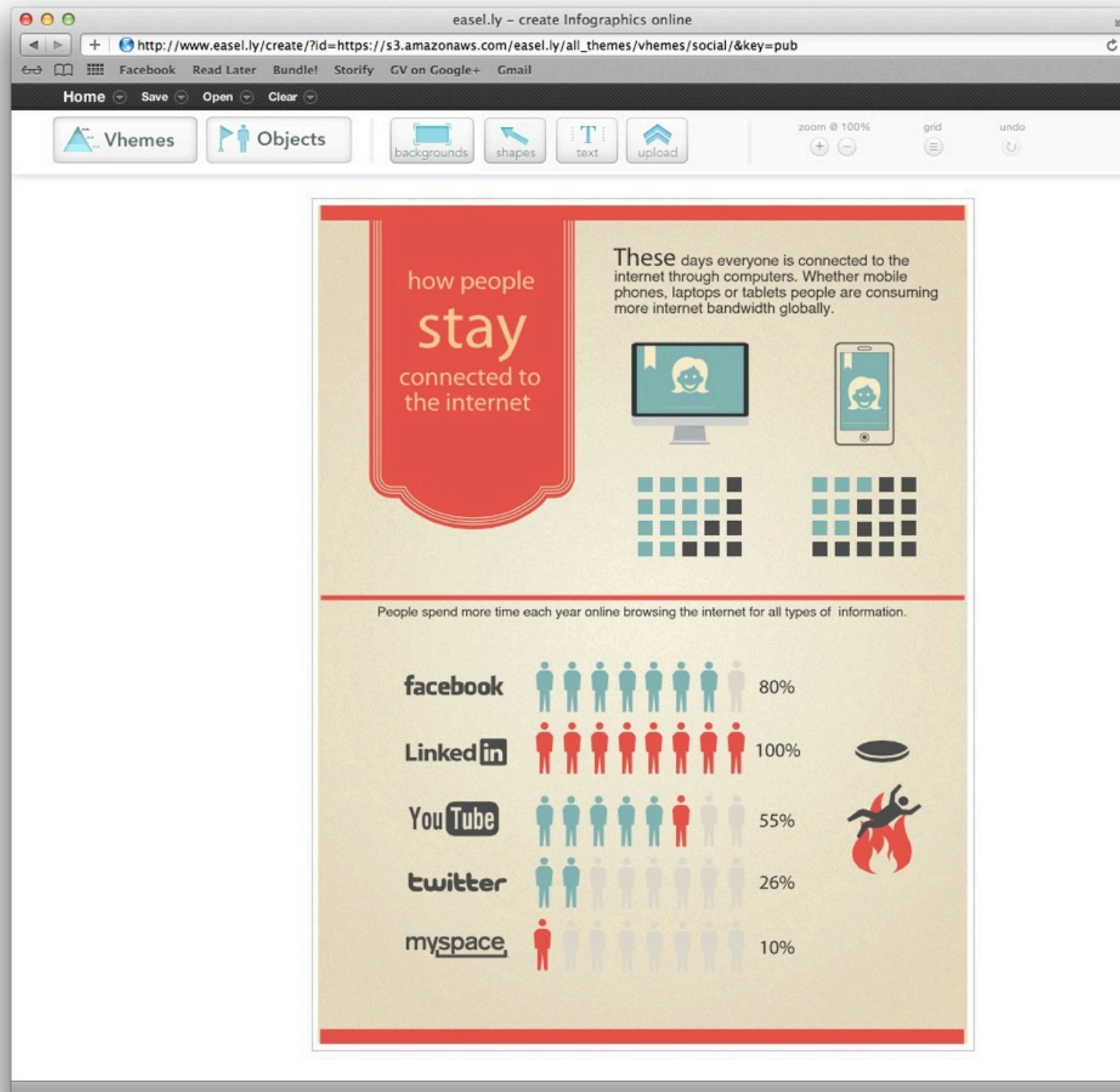
Below the banner, a section titled 'public visuals' shows '11729 visuals created'. A grid of eight visualizations is displayed, each with a 'Like' button and a 'view | share' link:

- start fresh**: A simple text-based visualization with 103 likes.
- meals**: A circular flow diagram showing meal types with 6 likes.
- oil**: A world map visualization titled 'WORLD OIL CONSUMPTION' with 4 likes.
- website**: A diagram showing website components like Header, Footer, Sidebar, and Content with 3 likes.
- mobile**: A flowchart titled 'MOBILE PHONE? WHICH PHONE DO YOU HAVE?' with 5 likes.
- songs**: A timeline visualization titled 'TOP SONGS 1940's - 2000' with 1 like.
- crafts**: A bar chart titled 'Your Title Here' showing gender distribution (70% female, 30% male) with 3 likes.
- social**: A bar chart titled 'How people stay connected to the internet' showing usage percentages for various platforms with 3 likes.

A vertical 'feedback' button is located on the right side of the page. The bottom of the page features a navigation bar with links like 'you want to be an actor', 'TITLE', and 'LOGO HERE'.

Easel.ly: data driven narratives

<http://www.easel.ly>

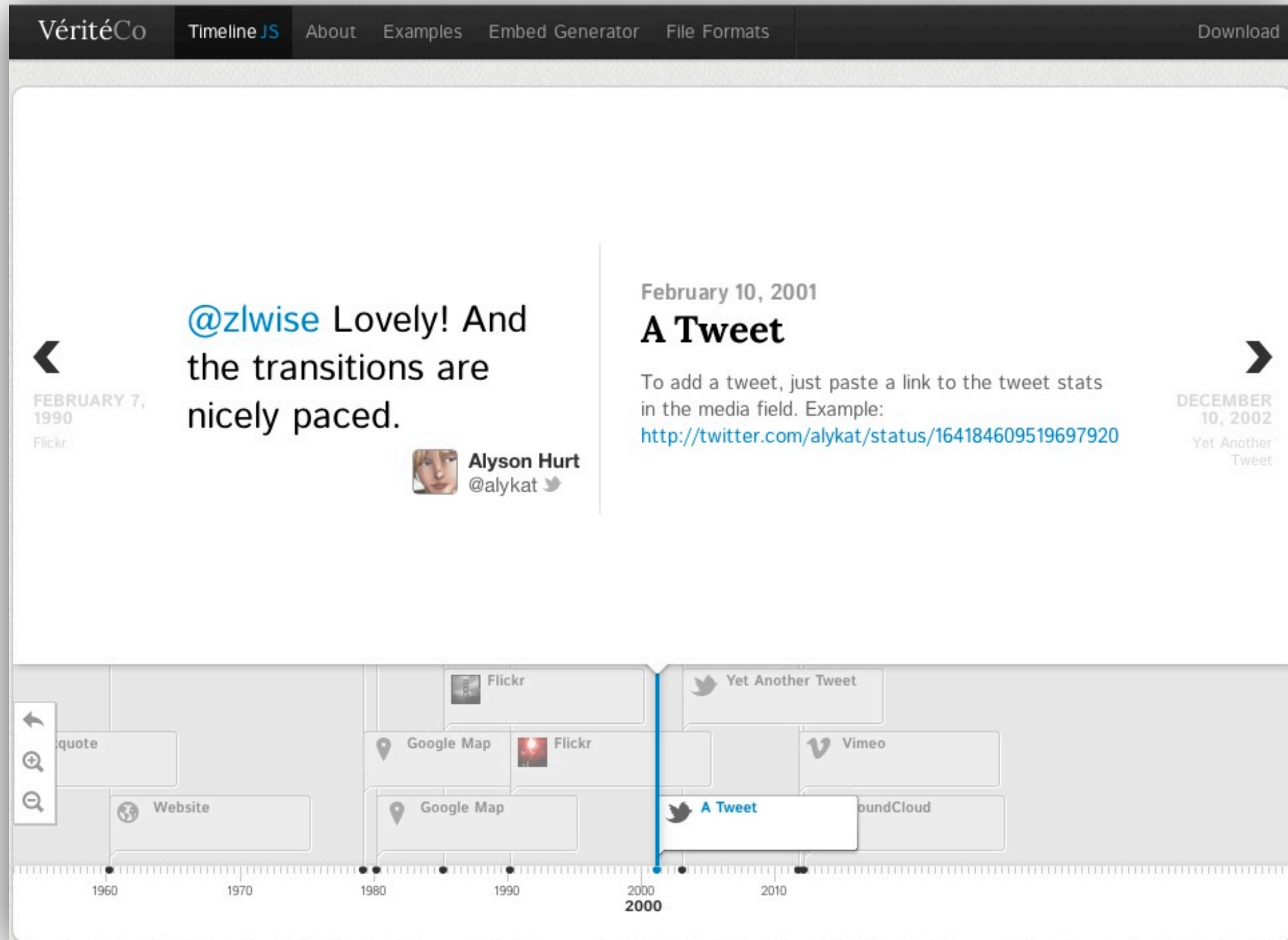


adding value

turning information to knowledge through context

timeline: temporal narratives

<http://timeline.verite.co>



bundling social media, adding value through curation

<http://www.storify.com>

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UK response to the situation in Syria


Throughout the crisis the British Government has consistently condemned the appalling violence, called for the Syrian regime to cease all attacks and for President Assad to step aside in the best interests of Syria and the unity of its people. Read about UK action and latest updates here.



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The British Government is at the forefront of addressing serious human rights concerns in Syria. We have played a key role in UN Human Rights Council discussions on the escalating human rights violations and deteriorating humanitarian situation and in resolutions adopted by the Council on 1 and 23 March condemning these human rights violations.

Following the release of the latest report by the UN Commission of Inquiry on Syria, the Foreign Secretary said: "The Commission of Inquiry's report is a stark reminder of the horrific situation in Syria and the terrible price being paid by the Syrian people. We condemn unequivocally the human rights violations and abuses committed by all parties, including those by armed rebels."



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
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
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
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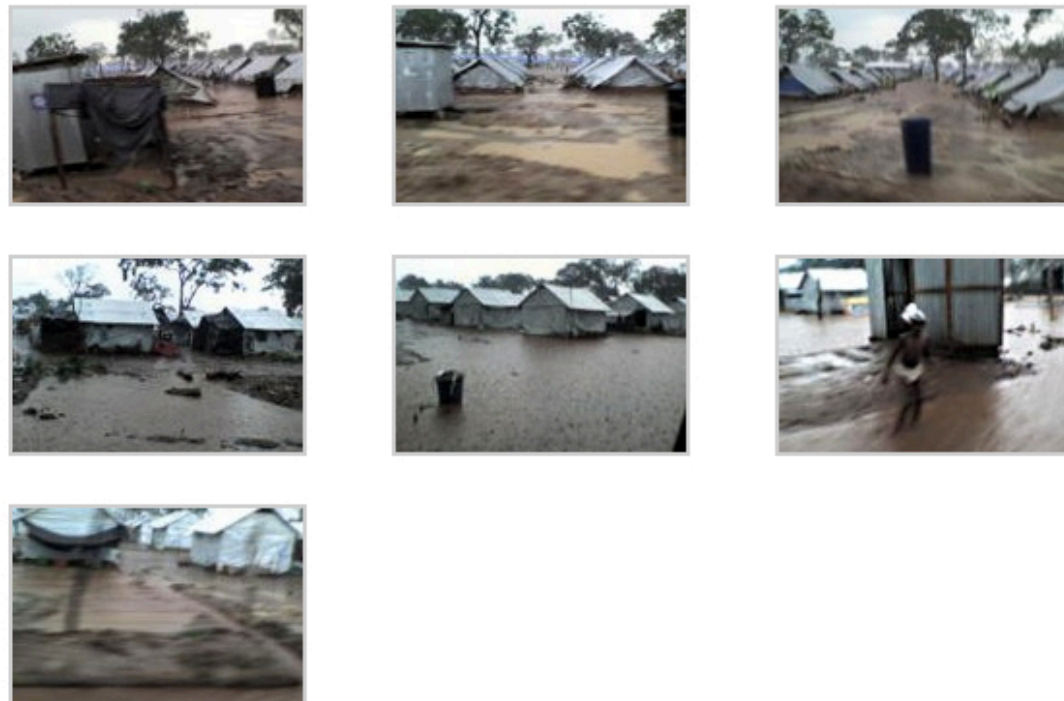
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First images: The flooding in Menik Camp and the increasingly dire situation for IDPs

15 Aug, 2009 Groundviews Disaster Management, Human Security, IDPs and Refugees, Peace and Conflict, Post-War, Vavuniya



These are the first images of the flooding in Menik Camp, where over 260,000 IDPs are interned.

Groundviews was first to break the news on Friday that flooding on account of torrential rain was severely affecting thousands of IDPs, particularly in Zones 3 and 4 of Menik Camp.



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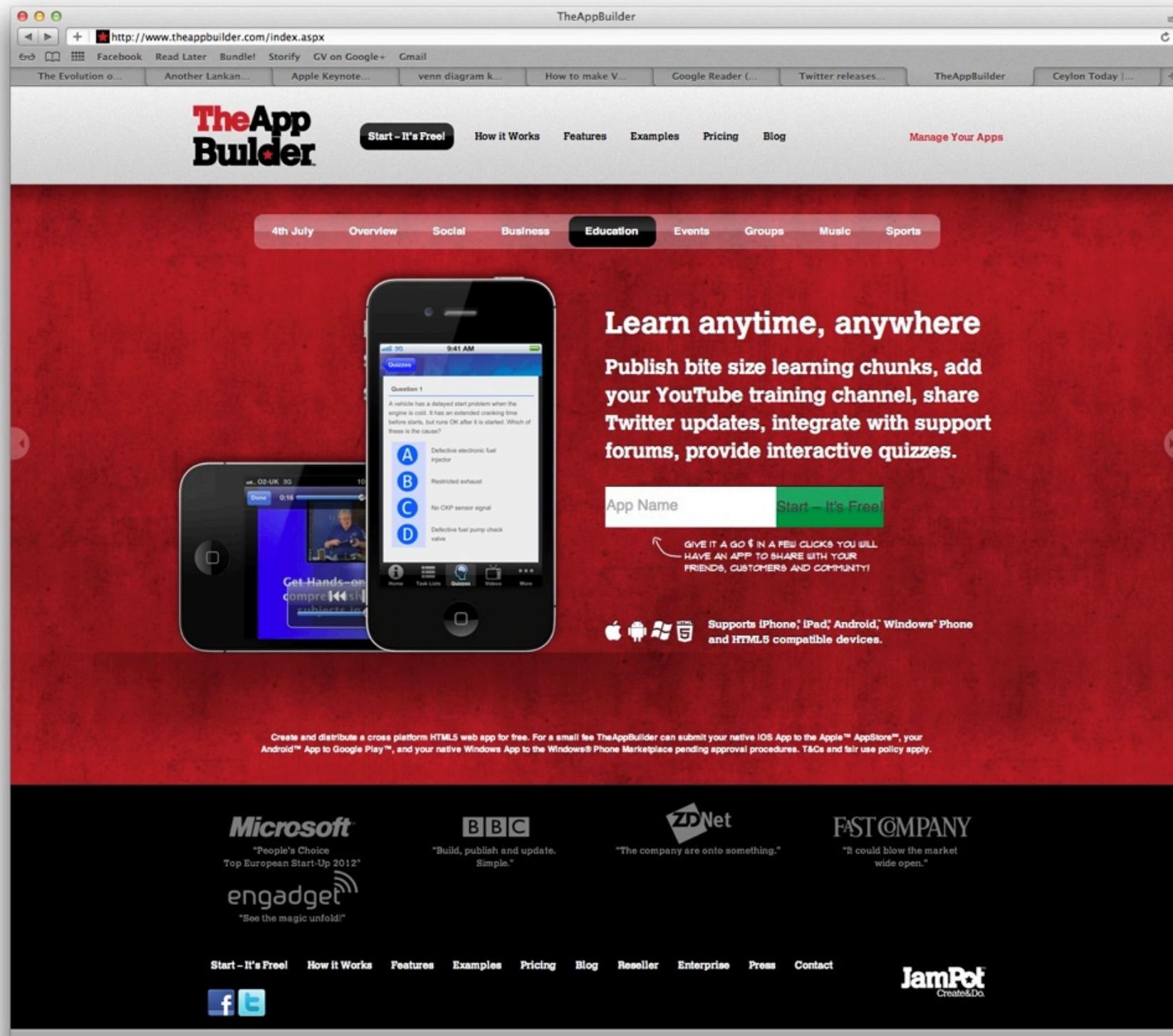


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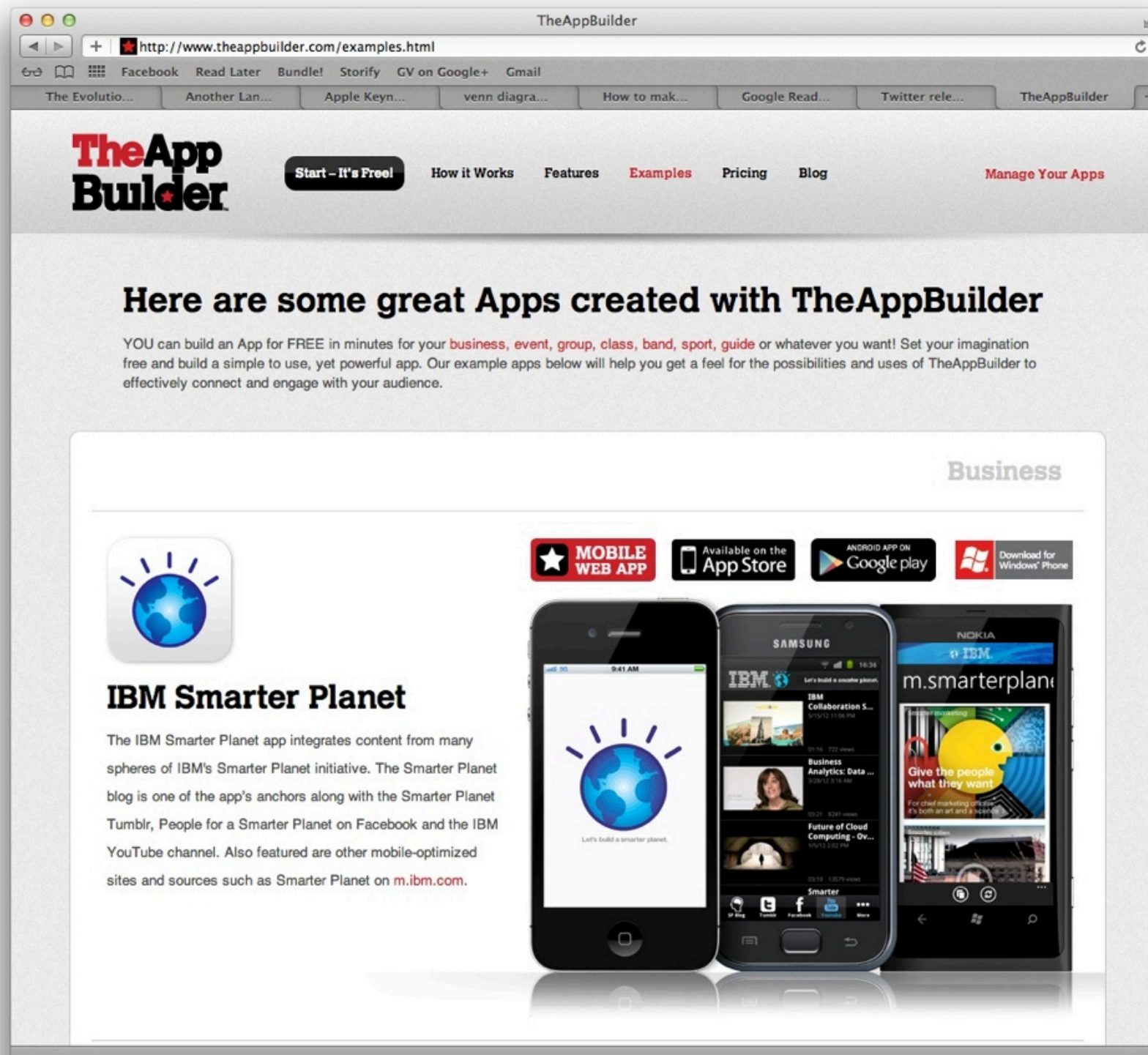
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Tweeting a War: How One Journalist Is Using Twitter in Afghanistan



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Journalists are using [Twitter](#) more and more these days, even in an unlikely place: Afghanistan.

With about a million active Internet users out of a total population of just less than 35 million, it may seem strange that Afghan news writers are turning to the 140-or-less character web messaging service. But Mustafa Kazemi, a reporter covering politics and the war in his home country, says journalists are using the service to share up-to-the-second news with followers across the country and the world.



Kazemi, who tweets as [@combatjourn0](#), says that journalists in Afghanistan really started using Twitter early last year. Kazemi himself fearlessly covers the war and political strife of the country.



Combat Journalist

@combatjourn0



Follow

Taliban ambushed a Police convoy in western Herat province last night killing two policemen. Radio Kellid says

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podcasts: alerting through audio downloads

<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/podcasts/id525463029?mt=8>

The screenshot shows the iTunes App Store page for the Podcasts app. The browser address bar displays the URL: <http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/podcasts/id525463029?mt=8>. The page features the Apple logo and navigation links for Store, Mac, iPod, iPhone, iPad, iTunes, and Support. The main heading is "iTunes Preview" with sub-links: What's New, What is iTunes, What's on iTunes, iTunes Charts, and How To.

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Screenshots
The screenshots section shows two views of the app. The left view displays a grid of podcast covers including "60 MINUTE", "ESPN RED HEAD BIG HEAD", "FREAKONOMICS RADIO", "stuff to blow your mind", and "BBC WORLD SERVICE". The right view shows the "Global News" section with a world map background.

View In iTunes
This app is designed for both iPhone and iPad.

Free
Category: Entertainment
Released: Jun 26, 2012
Version: 1.0
Size: 8.8 MB
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Seller: Apple Inc.
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Rated 4+

Requirements: Compatible with iPhone 3GS, iPhone 4, iPhone 4S, iPod touch (3rd generation), iPod touch (4th generation) and iPad. Requires iOS 5.1 or later.

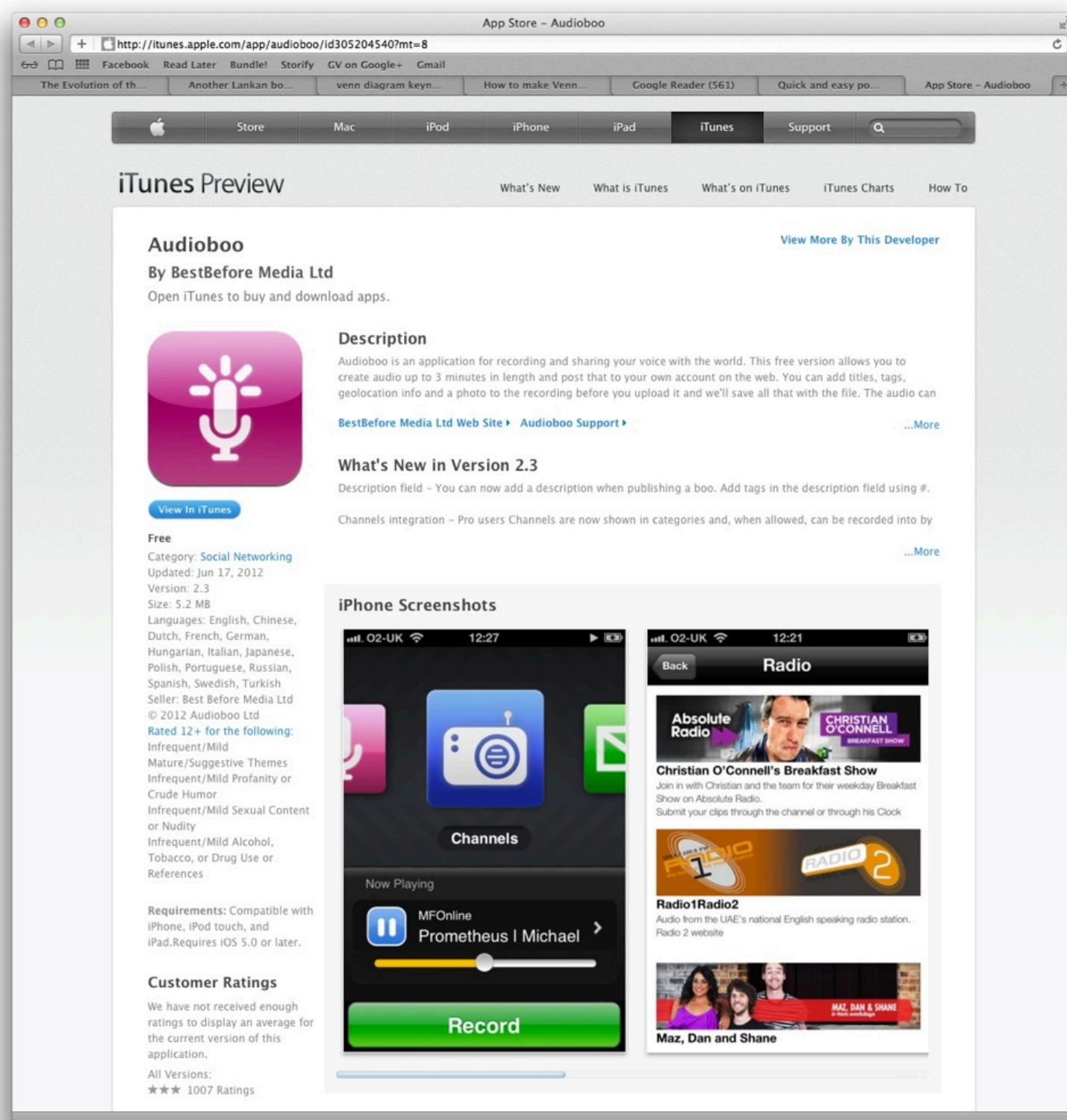
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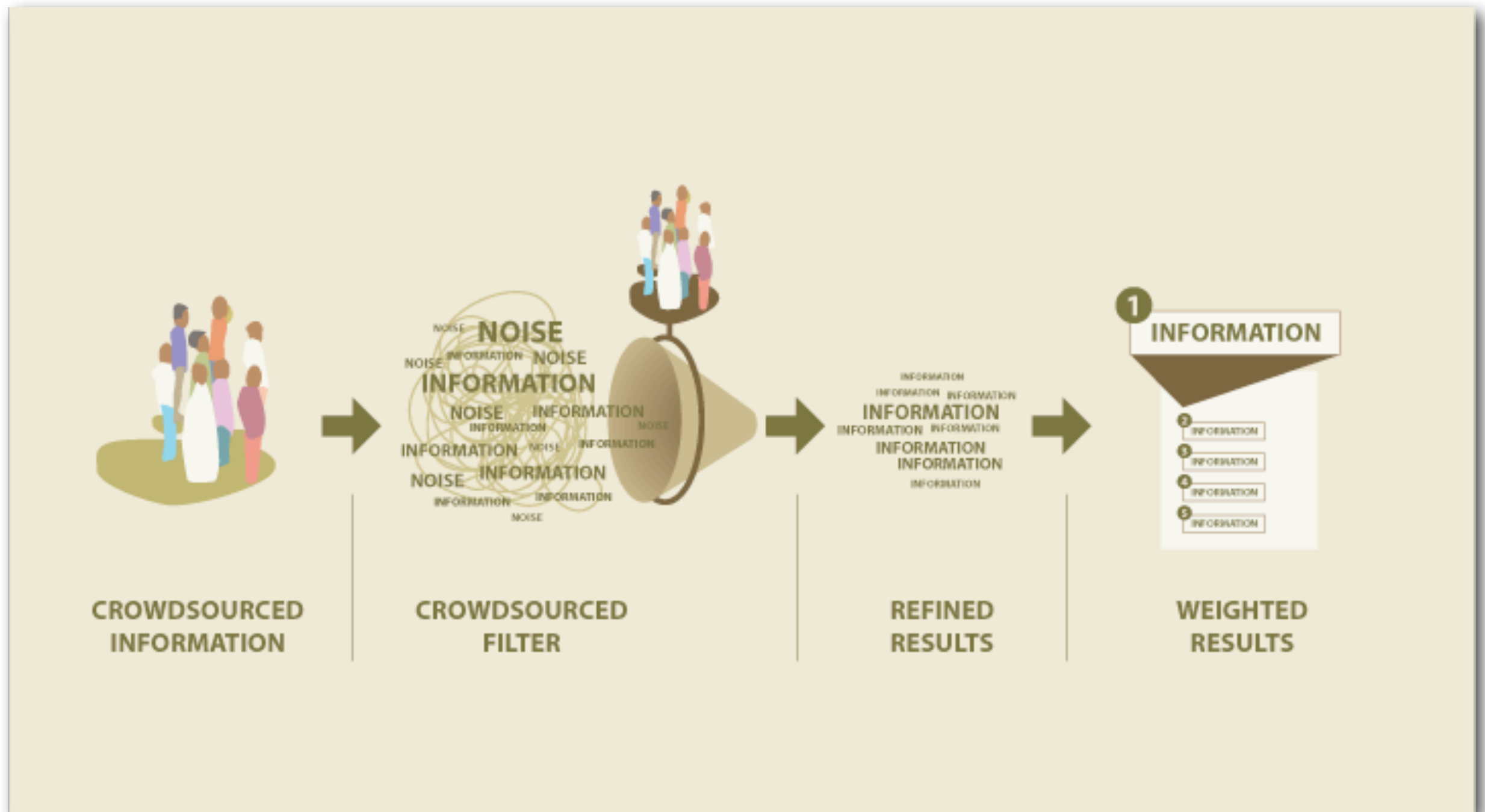


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The screenshot shows the SwiftRiver web application interface. At the top is a blue navigation bar with the SwiftRiver logo, a home icon, a search icon, and links for 'Rivers' and 'Buckets'. Below the navigation bar is a user profile section for 'Sanjana Hattotuwa' with a profile picture and the text '0 followers, 0 following'. Below the profile section are two tabs: 'Dashboard' (selected) and 'Account Settings'. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has a 'Get started' section with three cards: 'Learn how SwiftRiver works' (with a gear icon), 'Create a river' (with a river icon), and 'Find stuff that interests you' (with a magnifying glass icon). The right column has a 'Buckets' section with a list of buckets, including 'ict4peace', and a 'Rivers' section with a list of rivers, including 'ICT for Peace'. At the bottom of the left column is an 'Empty activity stream' section with the text 'There are no items in your activity stream'.

SwiftRiver Rivers Buckets

Sanjana Hattotuwa
sanjana 0 followers , 0 following

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YOUR BUCKETS

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Rivers

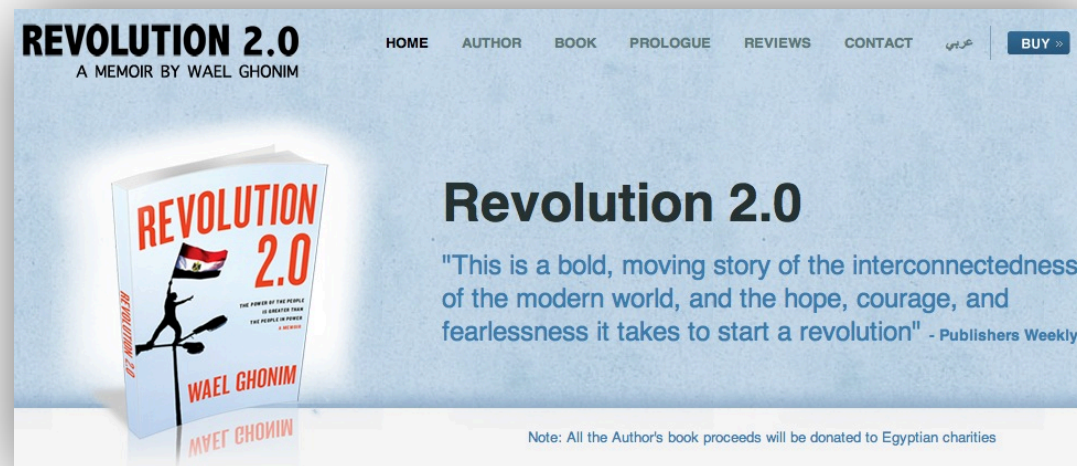
YOUR RIVERS

ICT for Peace

Empty activity stream
There are no items in your activity stream

the new revolutions

<http://revolution2book.com>



"I don't personally trust any tool," he said. "I trust the people behind the tool." And that remains the most important lesson of Revolution 2.0. Technology is just an enabler. It is what people decide to do with it that matters most.

Wael Ghonim

thank you

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