

DIY : Amazon Skill



LESSON 1 – “DAD JOKES”



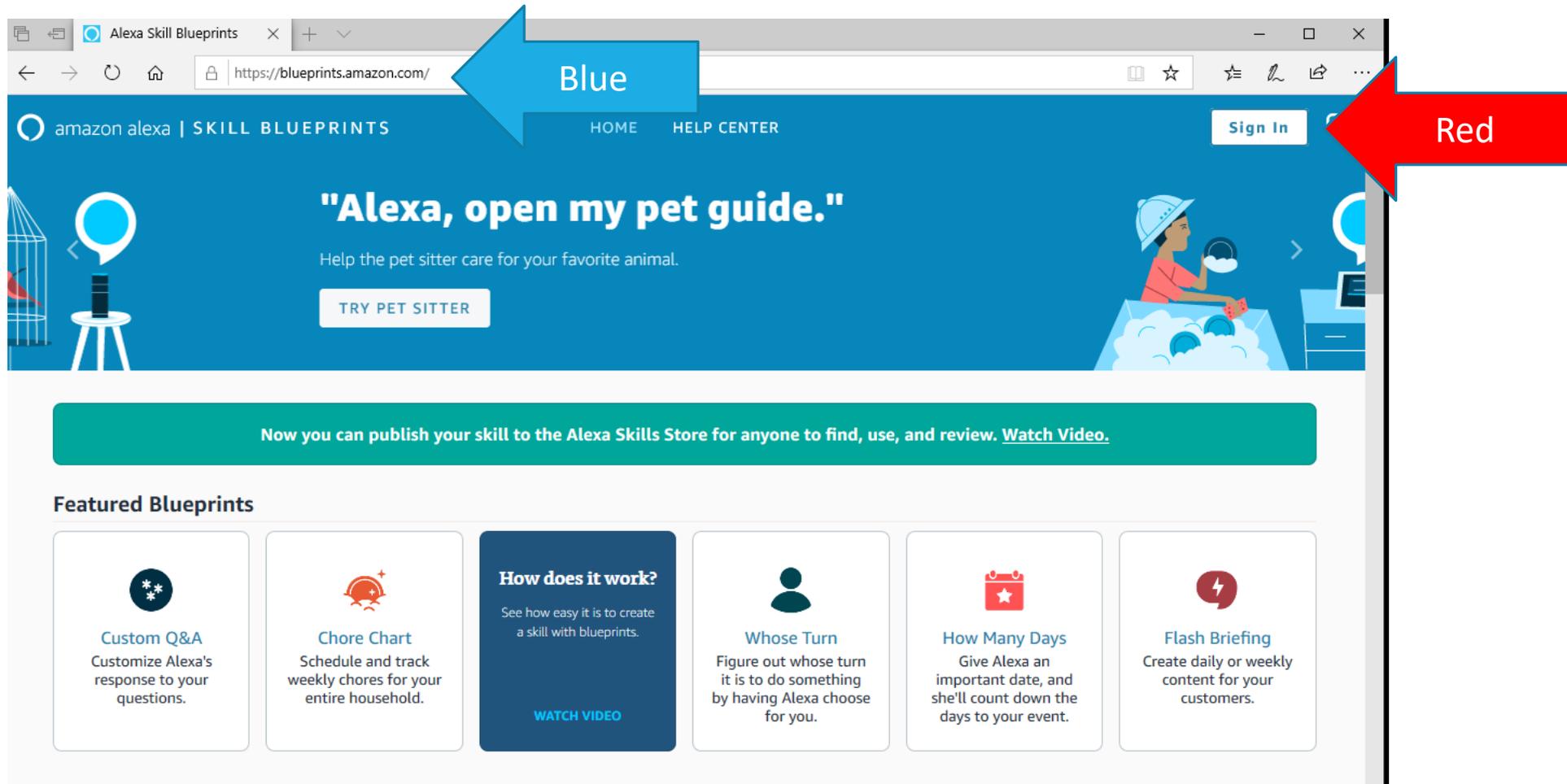
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Goals

- 🚩 Make your Amazon Alexa Smart Speaker tell your own Dad Jokes
- 🚩 Setup the Amazon Skill Tool
 - “Blueprints”
- 🚩 Create your First Voice App – Amazon Alexa Skill



- Open a browser tab (i.e. Chrome, Firefox, Edge, etc.)
- Navigate to <https://blueprints.amazon.com> [blue arrow]
- NOTE: Browser Tab must be full screen (or the screenshots will appear slightly different)
- If you see “Sign In” [red arrow], click “Sign In”
- If you don’t see “Sign In” [red arrow], you are already signed in and can skip to slide 5



- Sign in with your Amazon.com account [blue arrow]
- If you don't have an Amazon account, you will need to create one before you can continue [red arrow]



Sign in

Email (phone for mobile accounts)

Password

[Forgot your password?](#)

Sign in

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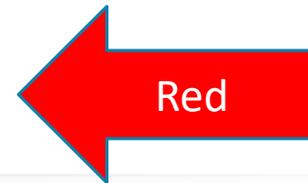
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— New to Amazon? —

Create your Amazon account



Blue



Red

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- Once you are successfully signed in, you will see your greeting [blue arrow]
- Scroll down to the section titled “Fun & Games” [red arrow]

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Create Alexa skills in minutes

- 1 Pick a blueprint
- 2 Fill in the blanks
- 3 Use, share, or publish your skill

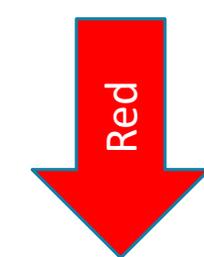
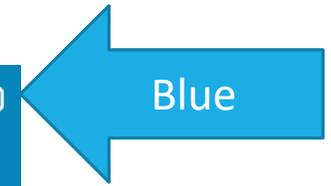
Important! Before you begin

Your Amazon account does not have a country setting. To create skills that you can use on your Alexa-enabled devices, your country setting must match your Blueprints website. Please call Customer Service for assistance.

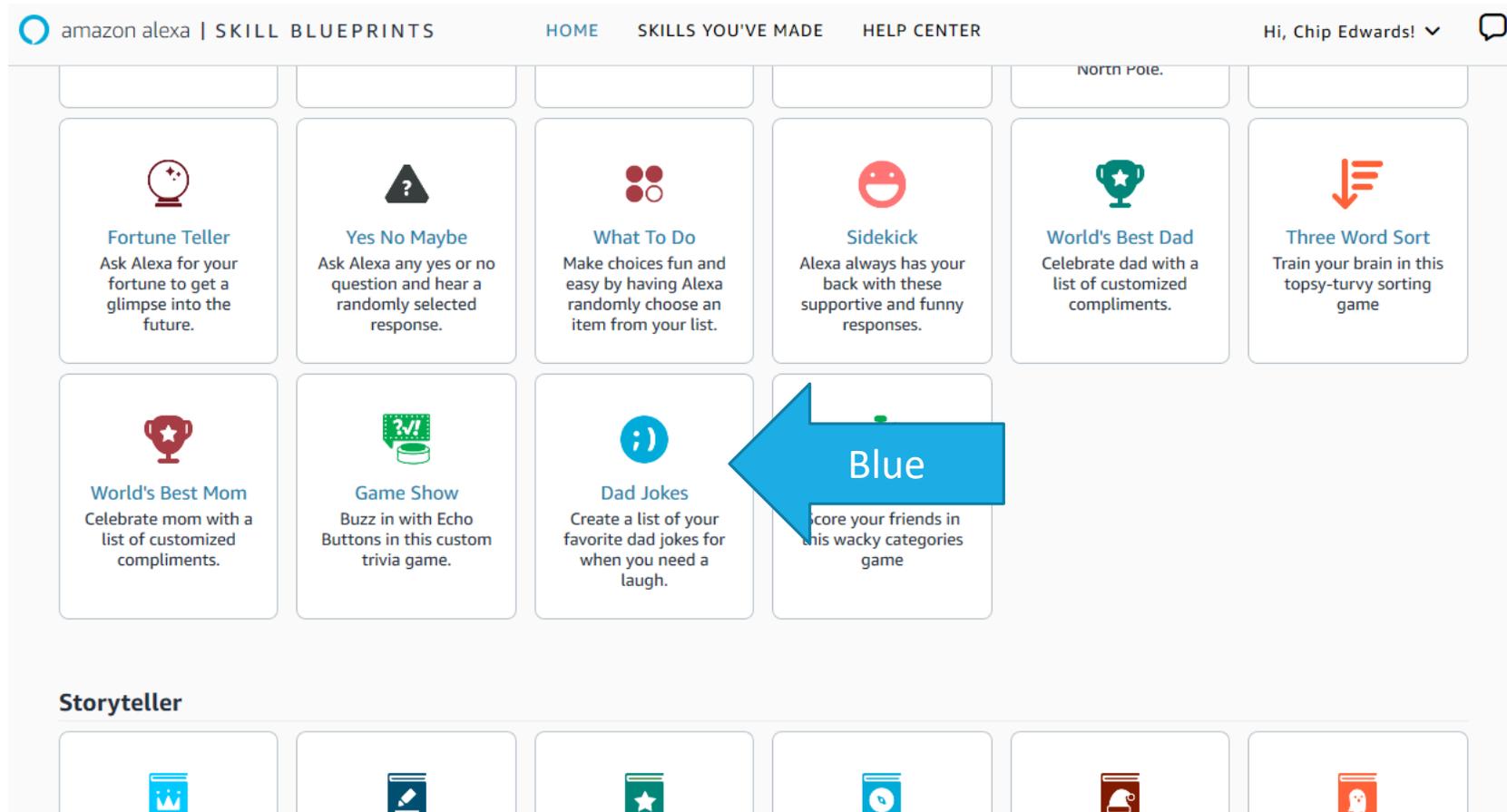
Now you can publish your skill to the **Alexa Skills Store** for anyone to find, use, and review. [Watch Video.](#)

Featured Blueprints

- Custom Q&A**
Customize Alexa's response to your questions.
- Chore Chart**
Schedule and track weekly chores for your entire household.
- How does it work?**
See how easy it is to create a skill with blueprints. [WATCH VIDEO](#)
- Whose Turn**
Figure out whose turn it is to do something by having Alexa choose for you.
- How Many Days**
Give Alexa an important date, and she'll count down the days to your event.
- Flash Briefing**
Create daily or weekly content for your customers.



- Select the tile “Dad Jokes” [blue arrow]



- Select “Make Your Own” [blue arrow]

The screenshot shows the Amazon Alexa Skill Blueprints interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Amazon Alexa logo, the text "amazon alexa | SKILL BLUEPRINTS", and links for "HOME", "SKILLS YOU'VE MADE", and "HELP CENTER". On the right side of the navigation bar, it says "Hi, Chip Edwards!" with a dropdown arrow. Below the navigation bar, there is a back arrow and the text "ALL BLUEPRINTS". The main content area features a skill card for "Dad Jokes". The card has a blue circular icon with a white smiley face and a semicolon. The title "Dad Jokes" is in bold. Below the title, it says "Create a list of your favorite dad jokes for when you need a laugh." There is a blue button labeled "MAKE YOUR OWN". A large blue arrow points from the right towards this button, with the word "Blue" written inside the arrow. Below the skill card, there is a section titled "Hear a sample of Dad Jokes" with a play button icon. A progress bar is shown below the play button. The sample audio transcript is as follows:
"Alexa, open My Dad Jokes."
Alexa: Happy Father's Day, Kevin! Lily and Ella think you are positively punny, so here are some jokes in your honor. How do you organize a space party? You planet. I've got another, want to hear it?
"Yes."
Alexa: What does a calf call its father? Daddy steerest.



- Scroll down [blue arrow] through the pre-loaded dad jokes and remove any that you don't want by clicking the X [red arrow]

amazon alexa | SKILL BLUEPRINTS **DAD JOKES** X

STEP 1: CONTENT > STEP 2: EXPERIENCE > STEP 3: NAME **NEXT: EXPERIENCE**

Customize the jokes

 **Using your skill**
Each time you open the skill, Alexa pulls a dad joke at random from your list.

Customize these jokes, add your own, or start from scratch.

Setup: X

What does a calf call its father?

Punchline:

Daddy steerest.

Setup: X

How do you organize a space party?

Punchline:

You planet.



- If you have another dad-joke that you would like to include, just click “Add Joke” [blue arrow] and add it.
- I’m going to add a few of my favorite dad-jokes:
 - Don’t trust atoms They make up everything!
 - I ordered a chicken and egg from Amazon I’ll let you know.
- Once you are done, click “Next: Experience” [red arrow]

The screenshot shows a multi-step form for creating a joke. At the top, there are three steps: 'STEP 1: CONTENT', 'STEP 2: EXPERIENCE', and 'STEP 3: NAME'. A blue button labeled 'NEXT: EXPERIENCE' is located in the top right corner. A large red arrow points to this button from the right, with the word 'Red' written inside it. Below the step indicators, there are two joke entries. The first entry has a 'Punchline:' field containing 'Tooth-hurty.' The second entry has a 'Setup:' field containing 'What name should balloons never call their fathers?' and a 'Punchline:' field containing 'Pop.'. A blue button labeled '+ ADD JOKE' is positioned at the bottom center. A large blue arrow points to this button from the right, with the word 'Blue' written inside it. A small 'X' icon is visible to the right of the second joke's setup field.



- Update the Welcome message with your greeting [blue arrow]
- Update the Exit message with your good-bye [red arrow]
- Click “Next: Name” [green arrow]

The screenshot shows the 'Customize the experience' section of the Amazon Alexa Skill Blueprints interface for a skill named 'DAD JOKES'. The interface is divided into three steps: 'STEP 1: CONTENT', 'STEP 2: EXPERIENCE', and 'STEP 3: NAME'. A blue arrow labeled 'Blue' points to the 'Welcome message' section, a red arrow labeled 'Red' points to the 'Exit message' section, and a green arrow labeled 'Green' points to the 'NEXT: NAME' button. The 'Welcome message' section contains a text input field with the text 'Dad's not the only one who can tell jokes. I've got a joke for you.' The 'Exit message' section contains a text input field with the text 'Come back for more, anytime!'.

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< STEP 1: CONTENT > STEP 2: EXPERIENCE > STEP 3: NAME

NEXT: NAME

Customize the experience

 **Personalize Alexa's greeting and farewell messages**
Make the greeting and farewell your own by adding names and customizing the messages.

Welcome message
When you open the skill, Alexa says this message:

Dad's not the only one who can tell jokes. I've got a joke for you.

Exit message
Customize Alexa's farewell message:

Come back for more, anytime!

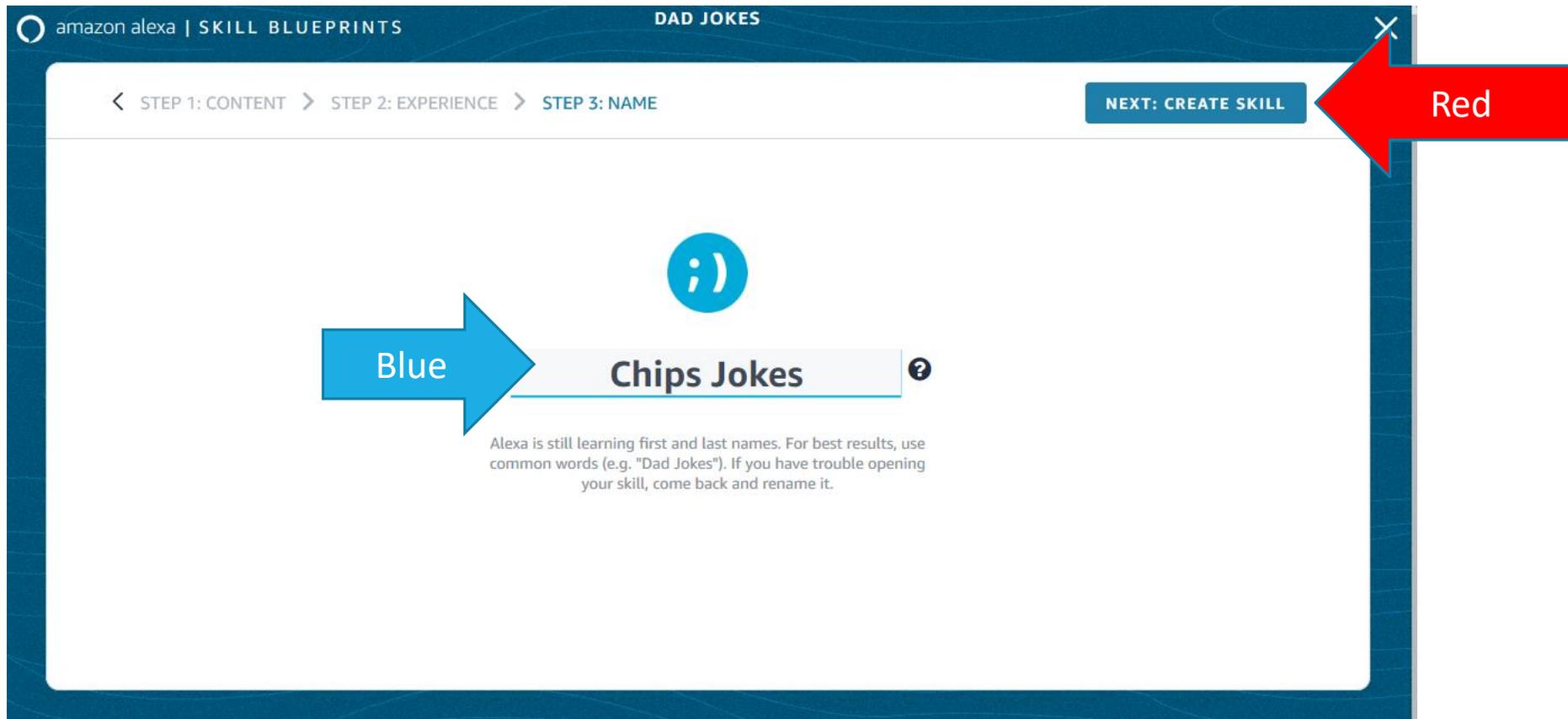
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Red

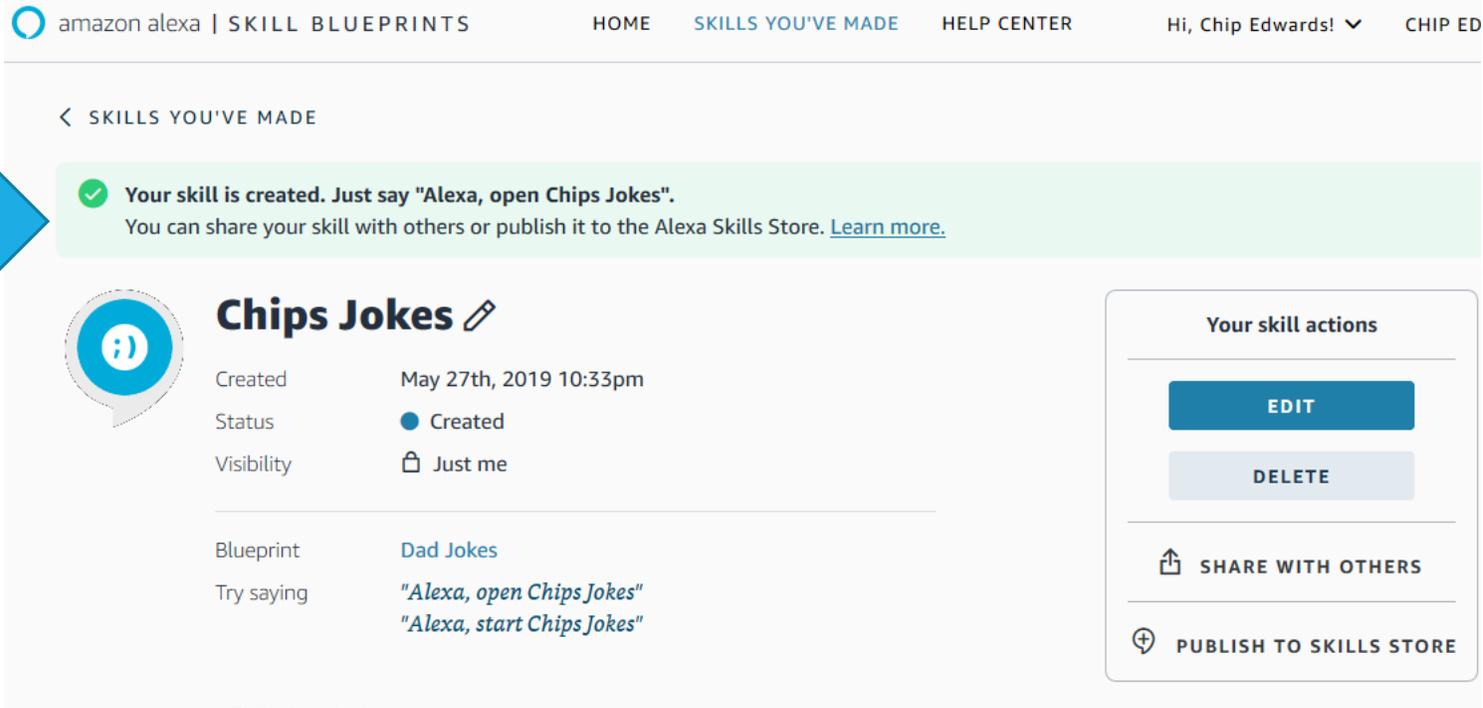
Green



- Update the Invocation Name [blue arrow]
- Click “Next: Create Skill” [red arrow]
- NOTE: After you click “Next: Create Skill” you may be asked to “Update Account” to configure your Amazon.com account to also Create Skills on developer.amazon.com. You will need to click “Update Account” before your Skill will build.



- It takes a few minutes for Amazon to build your new Skill
- The message will change once the skill is ready [blue arrow]
- You can now try out your new skill using any Amazon Alexa Smart Speaker.



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< SKILLS YOU'VE MADE

✔ **Your skill is created. Just say "Alexa, open Chips Jokes".**
You can share your skill with others or publish it to the Alexa Skills Store. [Learn more.](#)

Chips Jokes ✎

Created May 27th, 2019 10:33pm

Status ● Created

Visibility 🗝 Just me

Blueprint [Dad Jokes](#)

Try saying *"Alexa, open Chips Jokes"*
"Alexa, start Chips Jokes"

Your skill actions

EDIT

DELETE

 **SHARE WITH OTHERS**

 **PUBLISH TO SKILLS STORE**

Blue →



Recap

- After completing Lessons 1, you have successfully:
 - Set up and Used Amazon Alexa Blueprints
 - Created an Alexa Skill with your unique Invocation Name
 - Configured the Alexa Skill to tell several 'Dad Jokes'



THANK YOU!

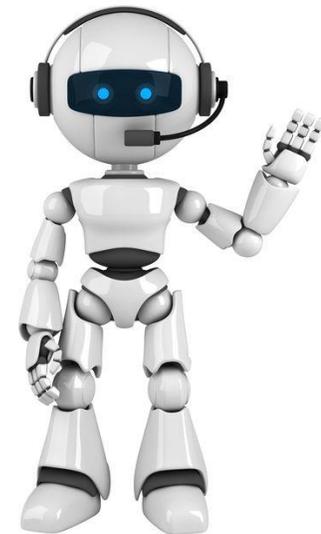
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“HEY GOOGLE, TALK TO CREATE MY VOICE”

“ALEXA, START CREATE MY VOICE”



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