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YouTubeTech

The Making of GNU



The Making of GNU: The World's First Open-Source Software



ForrestKnight ✓

513K subscribers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sQDvkd2wtxU>



Facebook Purity

- Browser extension to cut down on Facebook ads and unwanted posts
- A major problem with Facebook is that it keeps inventing marketing categories
 - You don't want to see sports
 - FB will then present baseball and hockey
 - You don't want hockey
 - Two weeks later FB will present "team sports"
- You **need** Facebook Purity!



<https://www.fbpurity.com>

Jeff Dubois

- It strips **all** of the ads out at the browser
- It makes it faster to read only the Facebook content that was posted by your friends
- You don't get inundated inadvertently with content similar to that in a sponsored ad that you inadvertently clicked
- The settings are highly configurable
- I highly recommend it for anyone using Facebook
- In fact, my recommendation would be to **only** read Facebook on a PC, through a browser, and **only** with the Facebook Purity extension installed



Ad Blockers and Tests

- The Best Ad Blockers for 2024

<https://www.pcmag.com/picks/best-ad-blockers>

- Here's How to Hide Your Browser Fingerprint

<https://www.pcmag.com/how-to/you-tossed-your-cookies-but-theyre-still-tracking-you-heres-how-to-hide>

- Test your adblocker

<https://adblock-tester.com/>

- Test adblocker and privacy/tracking

<https://coveryourtracks.eff.org/>

Tom Trottier

Share

Onelook.com metadictionary



metadictionary

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Thesaurus

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<https://onelook.com/?ls=a&w=metadictionary>

Tom Trottier



In the beginning,
was... OneWord



One Word to rule them all





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01

What's it mean?

You know the word? Find all its definitions



Find words – get definitions

OneLook

metadictionary

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We found 2 dictionaries that include the word **metadictionary**:

➔ **General** (1 matching dictionary)

1. [metadictionary](#): Wiktionary [[home](#), [info](#)]

➔ **Art** (1 matching dictionary)

2. [metadictionary](#): ODLIS: Online Dictionary of Library and Information Science [[home](#), [info](#)]

Definitions from [Wiktionary](#) (*metadictionary*)

► **noun:** An online dictionary portal that allows searches on multiple lexicographical databases at once.

Opposite: [microdictionary](#), [basic dictionary](#), [standard dictionary](#)

Found in concept groups: [Wikipedia ecosystem](#)



02

✦
Finding the
right word

OneLook

Thesaurus

military failure

Search

defeat: (obsolete) Destruction, ruin. ; (transitive) To overcome in battle or contest ; (transitive) To reduce, to nothing, the strength of. ... [origin](#) [types](#)

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| 2. loss | 22. lost | 42. aggravate | 62. naufrage | 82. bedevil |
| 3. disaster | 23. ravage | 43. agonize | 63. offend | 83. blue ruin |
| 4. debacle | 24. wrecker | 44. Badden | 64. Quander | 84. cumbered |
| 5. fiasco | 25. wreckful | 45. Bemar | 65. reinjure | 85. deadland |
| 6. bane | 26. despoilation | 46. blight | 66. run-down | 86. decayed |
| 7. endamage | 27. devastavit | 47. chast | 67. shrinkage | 87. decrepid |
| 8. ruinate | 28. dilapidate | 48. debellate | 68. spoilable | 88. defile |
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| 10. ruiner | 30. grieve | 50. detriment | 70. truant | 90. deray |
| 11. damage | 31. harrowing | 51. get to | 71. waste | 91. desolate |
| 12. dastard | 32. jade | 52. handicapper | 72. wasteness | 92. die |
| 13. debel | 33. pollute | 53. harass | 73. welt | 93. do in |
| 14. gone bad | 34. ruinous | 54. hinder | 74. worse | 94. excruciate |
| 15. Havok | 35. smite | 55. injure | 75. wreckage | 95. faile |
| 16. shipwreck | 36. spoilation | 56. jinx | 76. anguish | 96. flag |
| 17. beleaguer | 37. squander | 57. joke | 77. annihilative | 97. hag |
| 18. devastate | 38. vastation | 58. mass | 78. appair | 98. handicap |
| 19. fordone | 39. waive | destruction | 79. appall | 99. hardship |
| 20. havoc | 40. waster | 59. mine | 80. assot | 100. haze |
| | | 60. mishap | | |



03

Solve
Wordle,
Quordle,
Crosswords

Solving word puzzles

Search pattern symbols ([Help](#))

? any letter * any number of letters # consonant @ vowel
-**abcd** disallow letters +**abcd** restrict to letters //**abcd**// unscramble pattern:meaning



Wordle

T	R	A	C	E
S	O	L	I	D

Q	W	E	R	T	Y	U	I	O	P
	A	S	D	F	G	H	J	K	L
ENTER	Z	X	C	V	B	N	M	⌫	

OneLook

Thesaurus

????? -traced

Search

Going: A surname. ; (in combination) Attending or visiting (a stated event, place, etc.) habitually or regularly. ; A departure. ; The suitability of ground for riding, walking etc. ... [origin](#) [types](#)

[More ▶](#)

Most common

Advanced filters

Closest meaning first

A → Z

Most modern

Oldest

Most formal (legal)

Most funny-sounding

Most lyrical

Shortest

Longest

Most common

Least common

Z → A

All

Verbs

Adverbs

Adjectives

Old

1. Going
2. young
3. known
4. Union
5. up in
6. fully
7. my own
8. of you
9. up on
10. lying
11. in on
12. by now
13. owing
14. imply
15. pupil
16. funny
17. Billy
18. Nixon
19. lymph
20. Jimmy

21. blown
22. bloom
23. off of
24. lobby
25. fuzzy
26. will i
27. fungi
28. bobby
29. folly
30. xviii
31. opium
32. Knopf
33. molly
34. onion
35. no no
36. gloom
37. Unwin
38. flown
39. Bluff
40. xxiii

55. puppy
56. Willy
57. bulky
58. of of
59. mommy
60. plump

75. Login
76. blink
77. lilly
78. hilly
79. buggy
80. Julio

81. Polio
82. 10-20
83. Poppy
84. Luigi
85. bunny
86. Nihon
87. unify
88. vigil
89. Fling
90. Gully
91. Xxxii
92. long i
93. Libby
94. log on
95. Yukon
96. plumb
97. phony
98. mix in
99. xxxiv
100. nymph



Wordle

T	R	A	C	E
S	O	L	I	D
N	Y	M	P	H

Q	W	E	R	T	Y	U	I	O	P
A	S	D	F	G	H	J	K	L	
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????? -tracesdymph

Search

Going: A surname. ; (in combination) Attending or visiting (a stated event, place, etc.) habitually or regularly. ; A departure. ; The suitability of ground for riding, walking etc. ...

origin types

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3. Union	23. folio	43. Knoll	63. logon	83. 10-25
4. in on	24. 10-11	44. 10000	64. no fun	84. ink in
5. owing	25. of of	45. quill	65. Volvo	85. on off
6. Nixon	26. oil of	46. Xxxvi	66. 10-16	86. livin
7. blown	27. 10-15	47. log in	67. fluff	87. gluon
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10. fungi	30. in box	50. nikki	70. 10-30	90. oligo
11. xviii	31. Golgi	51. 10-13	71. Kongo	91. Injun
12. onion	32. Login	52. Luzon	72. 10-17	92. inbox
13. no no	33. blink	53. bingo	73. Nikon	93. igloo
14. Unwin	34. Julio	54. in off	74. 10-18	94. bilbo
15. flown	35. 10-20	55. 1-2-3	75. Longo	95. Wolof
16. Bluff	36. Luigi	56. Willi	76. 10-10	96. Lxiii
17. xxiii	37. vigil	57. Gogol	77. Lubin	97. bongo
18. linux	38. Fling	58. Konig	78. Inigo	98. Lxvii
19. Quinn	39. Xxxii	59. bow in	79. 10-19	99. Flinn
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//noli? -tracesdymph

Search

Login: A surname. ; (computing) credentials: the combination of a user's identification and password used to enter a computer, program, network, etc. ; (computing) The process or an instance of logging in. ... [origin](#) [types](#)

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| 3. log in | 23. invol | 43. lionn |
| 4. Lingo | 24. glion | 44. lion o |
| 5. Wolin | 25. Nolfi | 45. lfnoi |
| 6. bolin | 26. ollin | 46. inlgo |
| 7. Lovin | 27. nobil | 47. Li On |
| 8. Wilno | 28. Inlow | 48. li-on |
| 9. Ligon | 29. Ilion | 49. ilkon |
| 10. Ilion | 30. Nikol | 50. Li Ion |
| 11. Kolin | 31. Gilon | 51. unoil |
| 12. longi | 32. linon | |
| 13. Nolin | 33. Livno | |
| 14. Vilno | 34. Libon | |
| 15. Loing | 35. Lioni | |
| 16. ligno | 36. Oling | |
| 17. Niblo | 37. Louin | |
| 18. Volin | 38. Lilon | |
| 19. Lowin | 39. liion | |
| 20. Golin | 40. qolin | |



5. How do wildcard patterns work?

Sometimes you don't know what word you're looking for or how to spell it. Other times you only know a few letters. For these situations there are "wildcard" symbols available for finding words on OneLook.com.

- The asterisk (*) matches *any number of letters*. That means that you can use it as a placeholder for any part of a word or phrase. For example, if you enter [blueb*](#) you'll get all the terms that start with "blueb"; if you enter [*bird](#) you'll get all the terms that end with "bird"; if you enter [*lueb*](#) you'll get all the terms that *contain* the sequence "lueb", and so forth. An asterisk can match zero letters, too.
- The question mark (?) matches *exactly one letter*. That means that you can use it as a placeholder for a single letter or symbol. The query [l7b?n?n](#), for example, will find the word "Lebanon".
- The number-sign (#) matches *any English consonant*. For example, the query [tra#t](#) finds the word "tract" but not "trait".
- The at-sign (@) matches *any English vowel*. For example, the query [abo@t](#) finds the word "about" but not "abort".
- Double asterisks around a word (as in [**bird**](#)) finds phrases (multiple-word terms) that contain the word as a whole entity.
- **NEW!** The comma (,) lets you combine multiple patterns into one. For example, the query [?????,*y*](#) finds 5-letter words that contain a "y" somewhere, such as "happy" and "rhyme".
- **NEW!** Use double-slashes (//) before a group of letters to unscramble them (that is, find *anagrams*.) For example, the query [//soulbeat](#) will find "absolute" and "bales out". You can use another double-slash to end the group and put letters you're sure of to the left and to the right of it. For example, the query [//blabracs//e](#) will find "scrabble". You can include question marks to represent unknown letters; for example, [//we???](#) returns 5-letter words that contain a W and an E, such as "water" and "awake".
- **NEW!** A minus sign (-) followed by some letters at the end of a pattern means "exclude these letters". For example, the query [sp???-ei](#) finds 5-letter words that start with "sp" but do not contain an "e" or an "i", such as "spoon" and "spray".

Advanced tips for using wildcard patterns:

- **Page through results:** If your search produces more than 100 matches, a "Next" link at the bottom of the screen will allow you to view the next page of results, 100 at a time.
- **See common words only:** If you enter a short pattern, you may get too many results to sift through. In this event, take note of the link that says "Common words only" near the top of the results page. This link lets you filter out terms that are very uncommon (meaning that they appear in fewer than six dictionaries.) You can make this behavior the default on the [Customize](#) page.
- **Filter by meaning:** If you're looking for a certain topic, put a colon (:) after your pattern and then type a word or two describing what you're looking for. For example, the query [p*:ireland](#) finds terms beginning with "p" that have something to do with Ireland, and the query [*:widespread epidemic](#) searches for terms having something to do with "widespread epidemic". The latter case demonstrates how OneLook.com can be used as a means of finding a word (in this case, *pandemic*) if you only know its definition. See the [reverse dictionary](#) page for more details on this feature.
- **Solve crossword puzzle clues:** For crossword puzzle fans, the "Filter by meaning" feature above can be used to help you find answers to crossword puzzle clues, or generate your own crosswords. You may also want to know about the special "crossword puzzle mode", [described below](#).
- **Search only one dictionary:** Did you know that you can restrict your wildcard searches to almost any individual dictionary indexed by OneLook.com? Just find the dictionary on the [browse page](#) (or on any search results page that brings up the dictionary) and click on "More info". The page that comes up will have a search box specific to that dictionary.
- **Expand acronyms:** Want to find phrases that match a certain acronym, like NASA? Try the special "expand:" shorthand. For example, try [expand:nasa](#).



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Crossword Mode

6. What does "crossword puzzle mode" mean?

On the [Customize](#) page you can change the way the wildcards work when you search for words on OneLook.com. By default, the "?" wildcard matches any single letter, including spaces and punctuation. If you're using OneLook.com to help with crossword puzzles, you may prefer to match only real letters with your question marks. You can do this by selecting "Letters only" on the Customize page.

Enabling crossword puzzle mode has another effect useful to crossword puzzlers: every pattern search is assumed to allow optional spaces between letters. This allows you to find phrases that are run together (as they would appear in a crossword puzzle) without having to worry about where the spaces would go. For example, searching for "[h?ttot?ot](#)" will find "hot to trot" in this mode, and "[a?ric??li??](#)" will find "African lily".



05

Slang



newbie

Definitions

Thesaurus

[CivicSearch: Search U.S. local government meetings](#)

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We found 34 dictionaries that include the word **newbie**:

➤ **General** (19 matching dictionaries)

1. [newbie](#): Merriam-Webster.com [[home](#), [info](#)]
2. [newbie](#): Oxford Learner's Dictionaries [[home](#), [info](#)]
3. [newbie](#): The Word Spy [[home](#), [info](#)]
4. [newbie](#): American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language [[home](#), [info](#)]
5. [newbie](#): Collins English Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
6. [newbie](#): Vocabulary.com [[home](#), [info](#)]
7. [Newbie](#), [newbie](#): Wordnik [[home](#), [info](#)]
8. [newbie](#): Cambridge Advanced Learner's Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
9. [newbie](#): Wiktionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
10. [newbie](#): Infoplease Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
11. [newbie](#): Dictionary.com [[home](#), [info](#)]
12. [Newbie \(disambiguation\)](#), [Newbie](#): Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia [[home](#), [info](#)]
13. [newbie](#): Rhymezone [[home](#), [info](#)]
14. [newbie](#): Free Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
15. [newbie](#): Mnemonic Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
16. [newbie](#): LookWAYup Translating Dictionary/Thesaurus [[home](#), [info](#)]
17. [newbie](#): Dictionary/thesaurus [[home](#), [info](#)]

➤ **Art** (1 matching dictionary)

18. [newbie](#): ANIME AND MANGA GLOSSARY [[home](#), [info](#)]

➤ **Business** (1 matching dictionary)

19. [newbie](#): Legal dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]

➤ **Computing** (8 matching dictionaries)

20. [newbie](#): Free On-line Dictionary of Computing [[home](#), [info](#)]
21. [newbie](#): Netlingo [[home](#), [info](#)]
22. [newbie](#): CCI Computer [[home](#), [info](#)]
23. [Newbie](#): Game Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
24. [Newbie](#): Tech Terms Computer Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
25. [newbie](#): Webopedia [[home](#), [info](#)]



Definitions from [Wiktionary](#): ([newbie](#))



- **noun**: (slang) A newcomer, someone new to something.
- **noun**: (Internet) A new user or participant; someone who is extremely new and inexperienced (to a game or activity). A beginner.
- **noun**: (slang) Anything recently introduced into a setting, especially something that replaces an older version.

Similar: [newb](#), [newjack](#), [noob](#), [nozzor](#), [newie](#), [greenie](#), [nooblet](#), [newfriend](#), [newfag](#), [freshie](#), [more...](#)

Opposite: [veteran](#), [pro](#), [expert](#), [master](#)

Types: [novice](#), [amateur](#), [greenhorn](#), [beginner](#), [fledgling](#), [tenderfoot](#), [more...](#)

Adjectives: [clueless](#), [complete](#), [total](#), [objective](#), [kill](#), [relative](#), [presenting](#)

Found in concept groups: [Beginner or newcomer](#)



From "[All Day All Night](#)" by Tech None:

They spot me at the movie, sippin, tryna press a **newbie**
Gettin through these a hectic next to me singing my
message to **me**

1 of 6 verses

► [Words similar to newbie](#)

► [Usage examples for newbie](#)

► [Idioms related to newbie](#)

► [Civic discussion about newbie](#) (New!)

► [Popular adjectives describing newbie](#)



hooking up

Search

hook up: (transitive) To assemble the parts of a mechanism, especially by connecting wires. ; (transitive) To connect to something like a power supply or a signal source. ; (intransitive, slang, followed by with) To form an association (with) someone. ...

More ►

Closest meaning fir... ▼

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1. **hook up** ▶
 2. hook
 3. hook
 4. hook
 5. con
 6. hook
 7. cou
 8. dati
 9. sexu
 10. sexu
 11. snag
 12. sexu
 13. hook
 14. sexu
 15. inte
 16. sexu
 17. rela
 18. love
 19. Extr
 20. Hitc
- hook up:
- ☀ (transitive) To assemble the parts of a mechanism, especially by connecting wires.
 - ☀ (transitive) To connect to something like a power supply or a signal source.
 - ☀ (intransitive, slang, followed by with) To form an association (with) someone.
 - ☀ (transitive, slang, followed by with) To connect (someone) (with) another person.
 - ☀ (intransitive, slang, followed by with) To have a casual sexual experience with another person, usually without any future relationship intended.
 - ☀ (idiomatic, slang) To supply someone with goods or services.

Did you

Definitions from [Wiktionary](#).

Concept cluster: [Coming together or combining](#)

41. interconnecting
61. romantically
62. attraction
63. proposing
64. foreplay
65. matrimonially
66. linkage
67. providing
68. tethering
69. kissing
70. mating
71. engage in
72. involving
73. cybersex
74. attracting
75. relating
76. bonding
77. shack up
78. hang out
79. romancing
80. human relationship

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nasa

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9. [NASA](#): Webster's New World College Dictionary, 4th Ed. [[home](#), [info](#)]
10. [NASA](#): The Wordsmyth English Dictionary-Thesaurus [[home](#), [info](#)]
11. [NASA](#): Dictionary.com [[home](#), [info](#)]
12. [NASA](#): Online Etymology Dictionary [[home](#), [info](#)]
13. [nasa](#): Cambridge Dictionary of American English [[home](#), [info](#)]
14. [N.A.S.A. \(musical group\)](#), [NASA \(Ariana Grande song\)](#), [NASA \(Swedish band\)](#), [NASA \(disambiguation\)](#), [NASA \(song\)](#), [NASA](#), [Nasa](#): Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia [[home](#), [info](#)]
15. [Nasa](#): Rhymezone [[home](#), [info](#)]

nasa

nasal

nasal cavity

nasal septum

nasal mucosa

nasal congestion

nasals

nasal discharge

nasal bones

nasal spray

Definitions from [Wiktionary](#) (*Nasa*)

n: Synonym of Paez ("a Native American people of Colombia")

n: (NASA, space agency) Acronym of National Aeronautics and Space stration. [A civilian agency of the government of the United States of a, charged with space and aeronautical research and space tion.]

n: (NASA, sports) Acronym of National Auto Sport Association.

► **noun**: (UK, Australia, New Zealand) Alternative letter-case form of NASA (not used in North America)

Similar: [DARPA](#), [Soyuz](#), [Lockheed](#), [Caltech](#), [ISRO](#), [Panay](#), [Smithsonian](#), [Hubble](#), [Rutan](#), [Apollo](#), [more...](#)

Opposite: [soviet union](#)

Types: [space shuttle](#), [ISS](#), [telescope](#), [rocket](#), [satellite](#), [probe](#), [more...](#)

Phrases: [nasa tlx](#), [nasa lerc](#), [nasa msfc](#), [nasa stennis](#), [nasa scatterometer](#), [more...](#)

Adjectives: [courtesy](#), [non](#), [photograph](#), [new](#), [former](#), [aas](#), [dod](#), [joint](#), [wmo](#), [top](#), [aec](#)



<https://OneLook.com>

Thanks for the template from

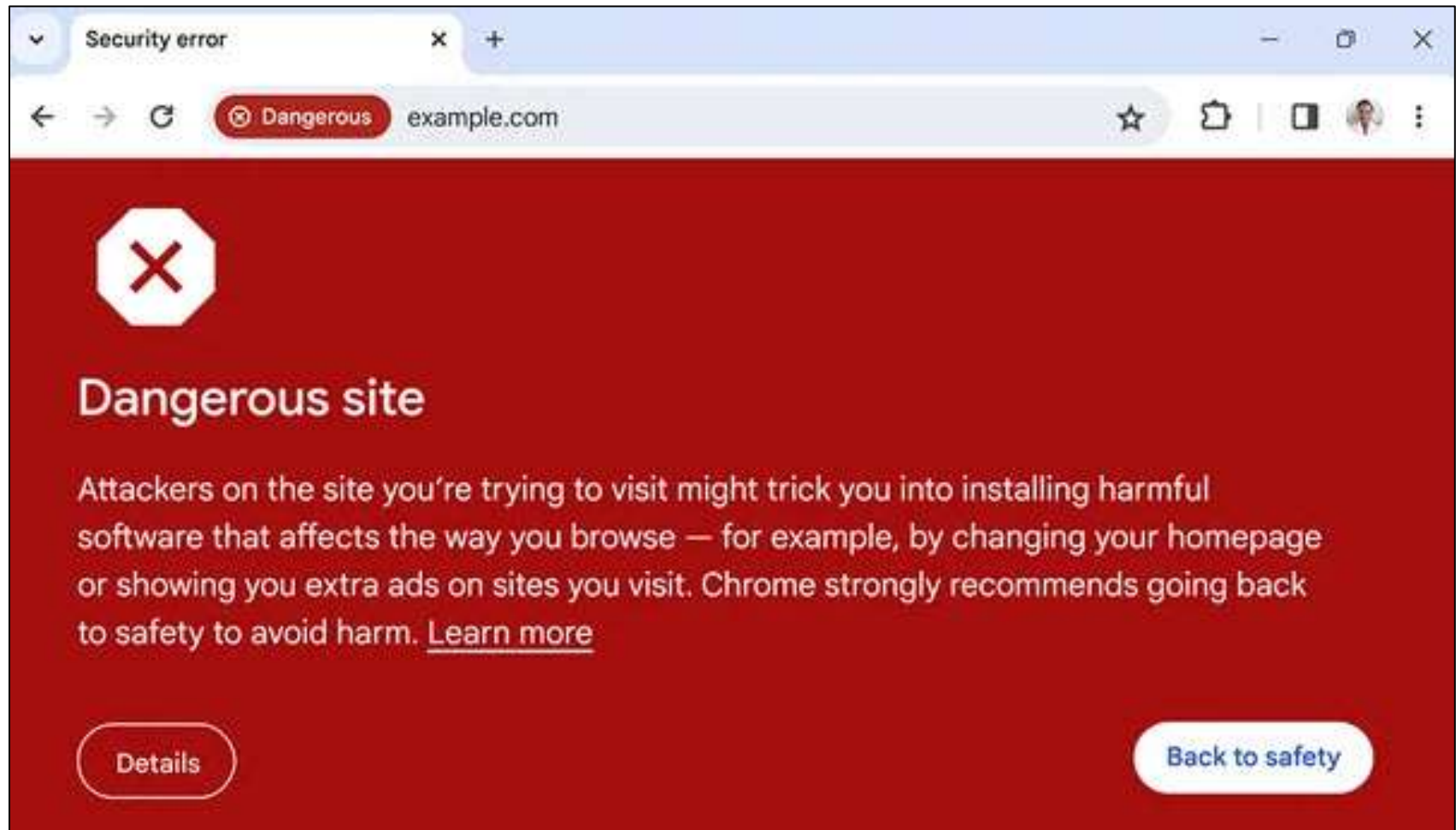


Share

Google Chrome Safe Browsing

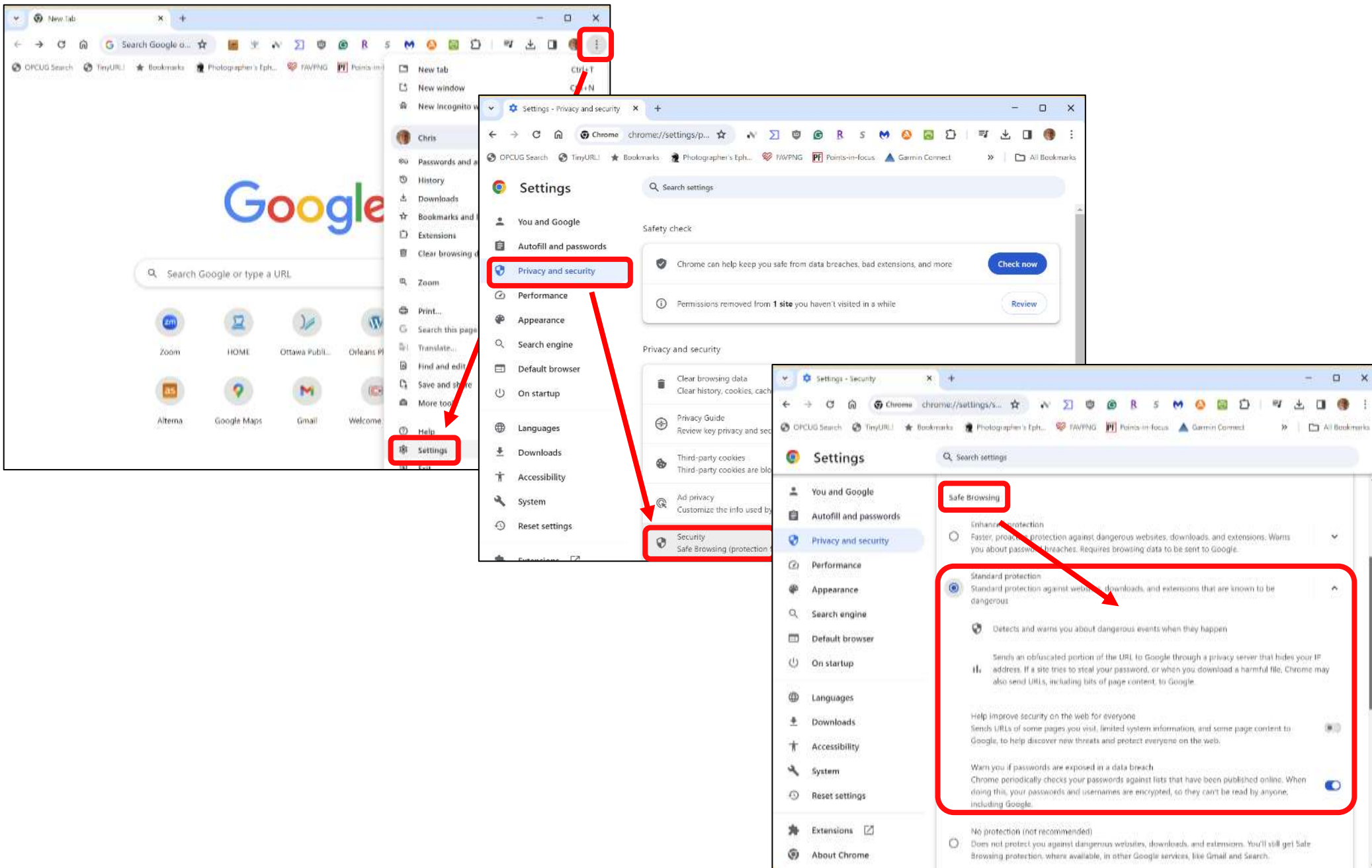
Assesses websites and files

- > 10 billion URLs & files every day
- **locally stored list** of potentially dangerous sites/files
- list updated every **30 to 60 minutes**



Share

Default: *Standard protection*



Share

Fast enough?

Assesses websites and files

- > 10 billion URLs & files every day
- **locally stored list** of potentially dangerous sites/files
- list updated every **30 to 60 minutes**

Google found average malicious site exists for less than 10 minutes

Changed behaviour

- check sites against Google's server-side list of known bad sites in real time
- expects to block 25% more phishing attempts

March 14, 2024

<https://blog.google/products/chrome/google-chrome-safe-browsing-real-time/>

Share

Consider *Enhanced protection*

If you want even more protection, you can always turn on Safe Browsing's **Enhanced Protection** mode, which uses AI to block attacks, provides deep file scans and offers extra protection from malicious Chrome extensions.

Safe Browsing

-  **Enhanced protection**
Faster, proactive protection against dangerous websites, downloads, and extensions. Warns you about password breaches. Requires browsing data to be sent to Google.
-  Predicts and warns you about dangerous events before they happen
-  Keeps you safe on Chrome and may be used to improve your security in other Google apps when you are signed in
-  Improves security for you and everyone on the web
-  Warns you if passwords are exposed in a data breach
-  Sends URLs to Safe Browsing to check them. Also sends a small sample of pages, downloads, extension activity, and system information to help discover new threats. Temporarily links this data to your Google Account when you're signed in, to protect you across Google apps.

Uses encryption and other privacy-enhancing techniques to ensure that no one, including Google, knows what website you're visiting

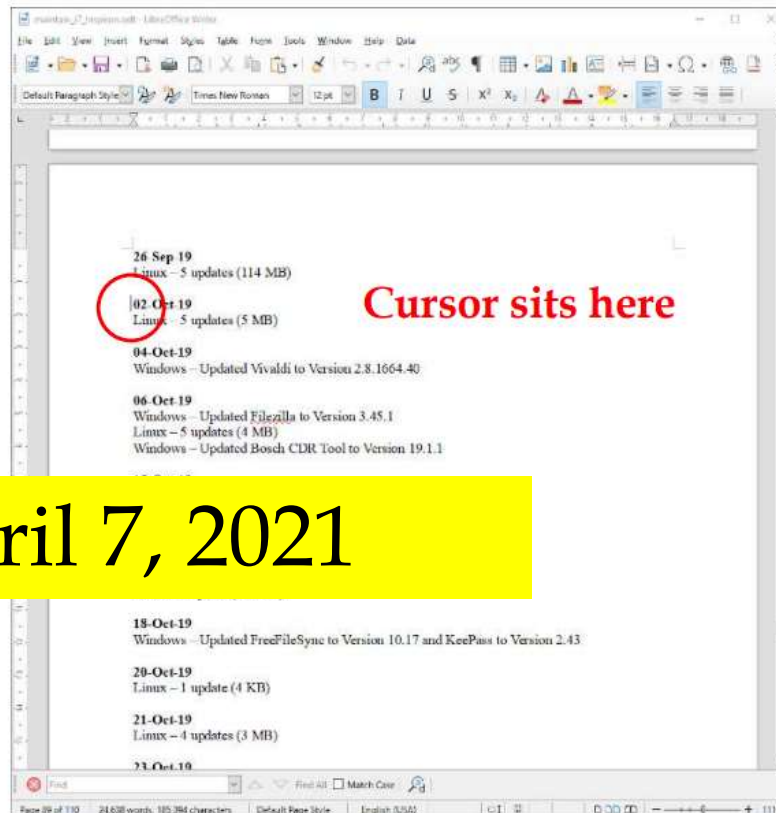
While this does require some additional horsepower from the browser, we've worked to make sure your experience remains smooth and speedy

Follow Up

Bug in LibreOffice Writer



**Why does LibreOffice Writer
not open at the end of the file?**



File opens at
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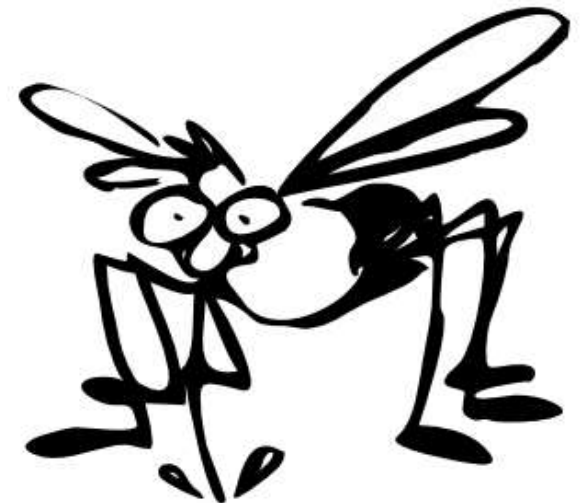
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April 7, 2021

Still an issue in 2024!

Workarounds

- (1) Press Ctrl-End to move the cursor to the end of the file
- (2) Press Shift-F5 to move the cursor to the last-used position in the file

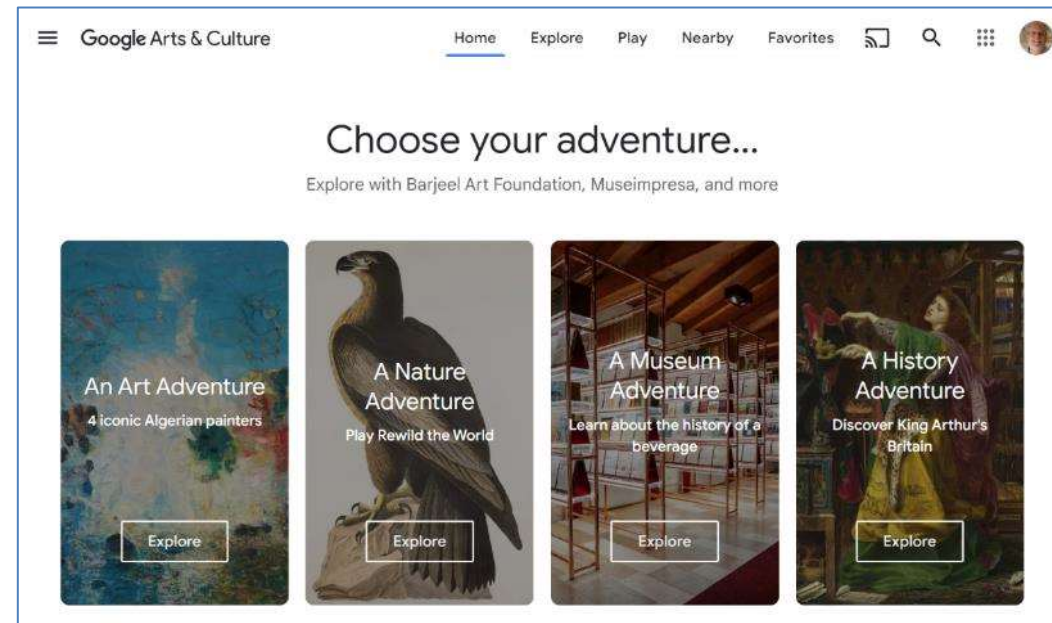


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Google Arts and Culture

- High-res images and videos of artworks and cultural artifacts from cultural organizations throughout world
- Tour collections and galleries
- Explore the artworks' physical & contextual information
- Advanced search capabilities & educational tools

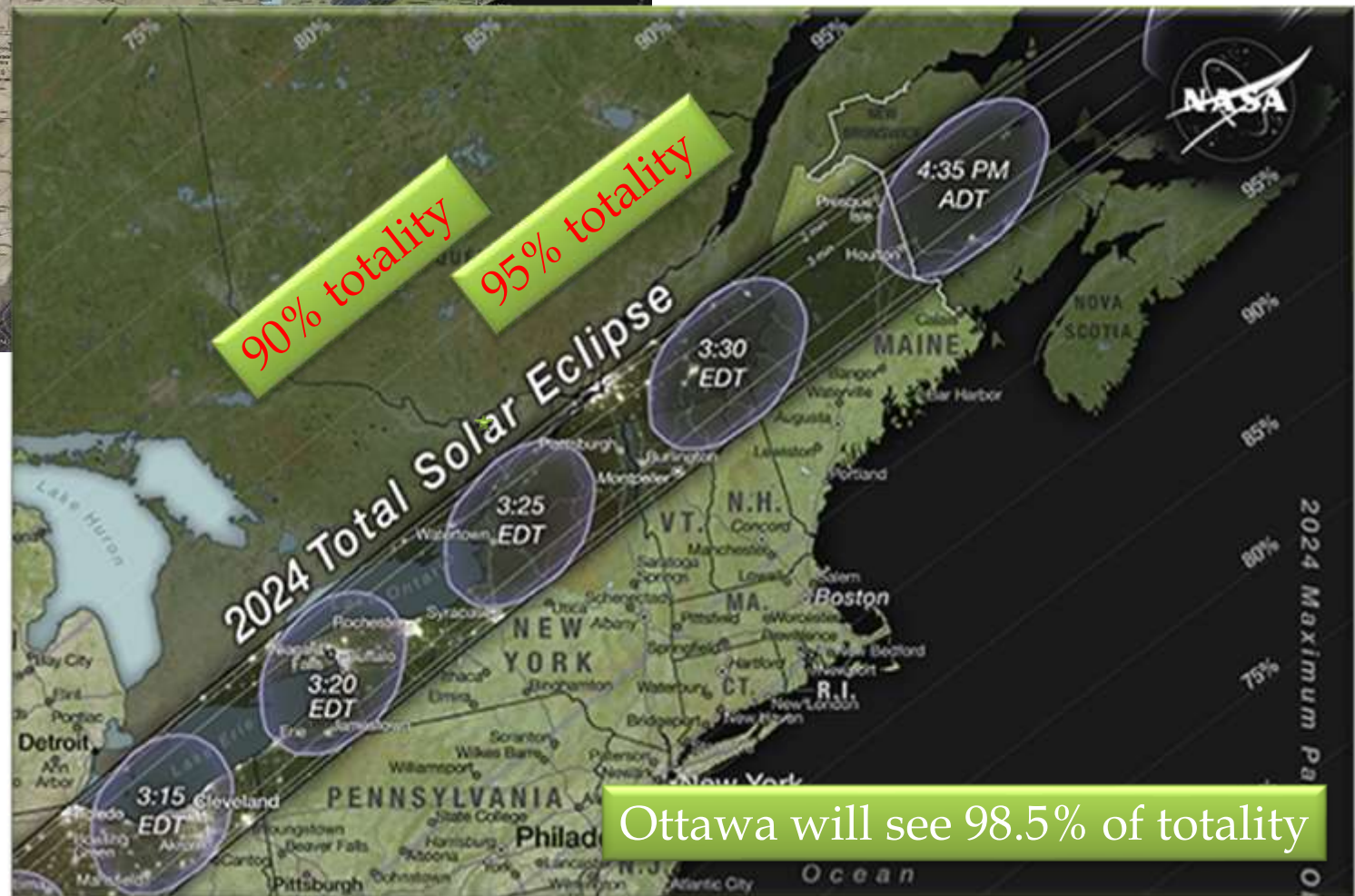
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Solar eclipse 2024

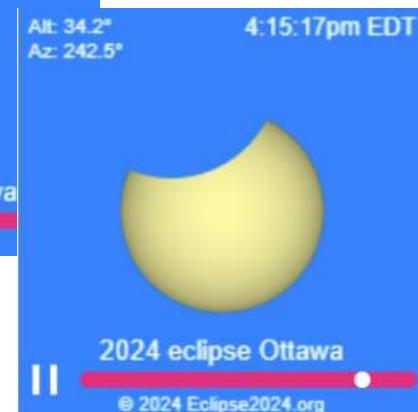
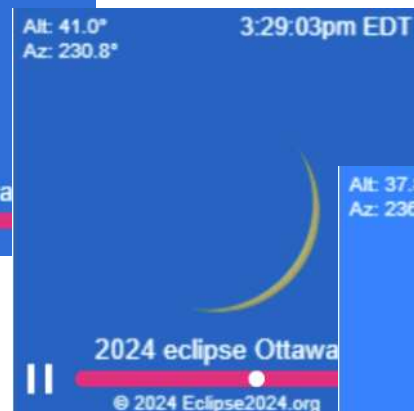
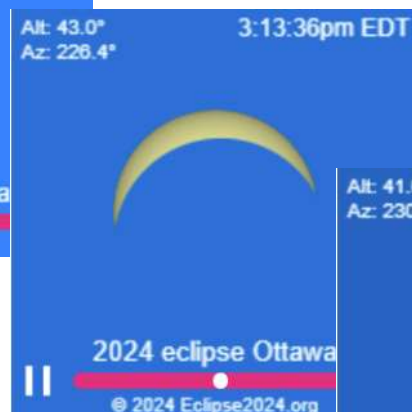
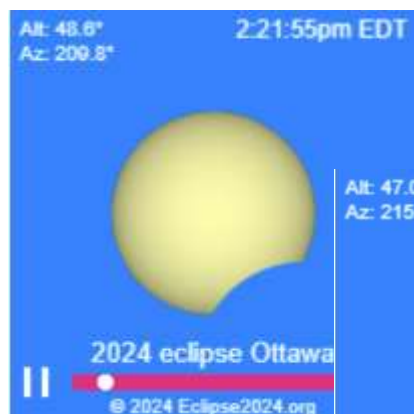
Mon, April 8, 2024



Ottawa will see 98.5% of totality

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Eclipse over Ottawa



<https://eclipse2024.org/eclipse-cities/city/1030.html>

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Photographing the eclipse

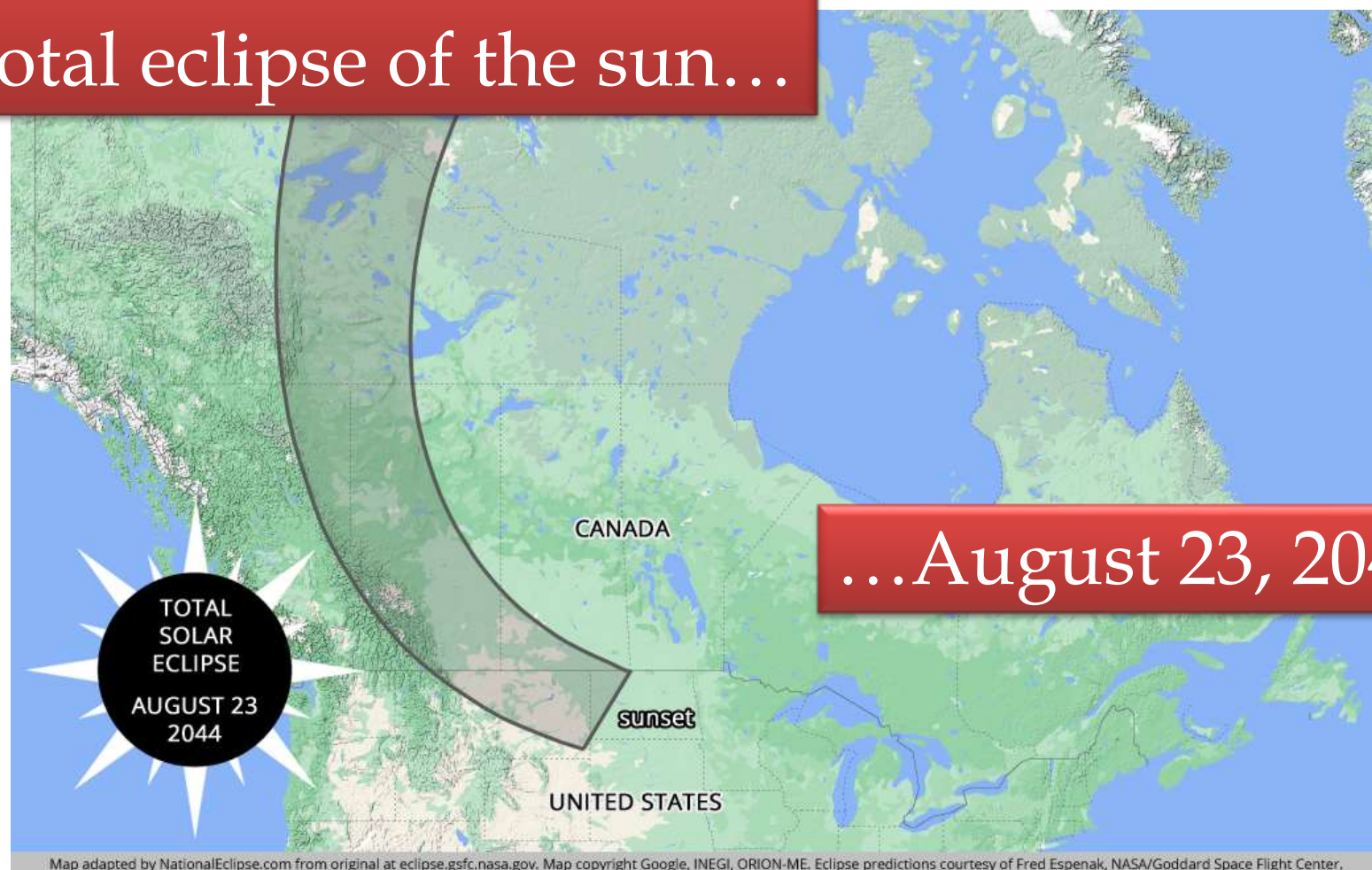
- Hudson Henry: *Approaching The Scene 294: How to Practice & Shoot The Total Eclipse + Exposure Guide PDF*
 - lens filtration
 - 16-stop neutral-density vs solar filter
 - lens focal length choices
 - exposure settings
 - before eclipse starts
 - during totality
 - exposure bracketing
 - focusing techniques
 - practice, practice, practice
- Post-processing to come...



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Going to miss April 8, 2024?

For North America
the next total eclipse of the sun...



https://nationaleclipse.com/maps/map_08232044.html

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Reporting spam text messages

- Phishing is one of the most common scams in Canada
- The simplest way to fight off phishing messages is to delete them
- It's also important to report them to your cellular provider to help protect yourself and others from the same attacks.

The logo for Get Cyber Safe, featuring a green Wi-Fi symbol above the text "GETCYBERSAFE.CA" in green and blue capital letters.

Get Cyber Safe is a national public awareness campaign created to inform Canadians about cyber security and the simple steps they can take to protect themselves online.

Jeff Dubois

- Be cautious about any SMS messages that you receive from phone numbers you don't recognize
- If in doubt, contact the legitimate source using another medium
- Don't reply to such messages
- Never click on any links
- **Forward the message to 7726** (SPAM on most keypads)
- This will alert your cellular provider to open an investigation on the contents of the message.



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<https://www.getcybersafe.gc.ca/en/blogs/reporting-spam-text-messages-7726>

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AI Articles

Schneier on Security



- Security guru Bruce Schneier has a monthly newsletter
 - Crypto-Gram
 - typically a couple of dozen articles on various aspects of security
- March 15th issue has a lot of articles involving AI
 - Microsoft Is Spying on Users of Its AI Tools
 - AIs Hacking Websites
 - How the “Frontier” Became the Slogan of Uncontrolled AI
 - LLM Prompt Injection Worm
 - How Public AI Can Strengthen Democracy
 - Using LLMs to Unredact Text
 - Jailbreaking LLMs with ASCII Art
- A good read for those interested in security aspects of AI

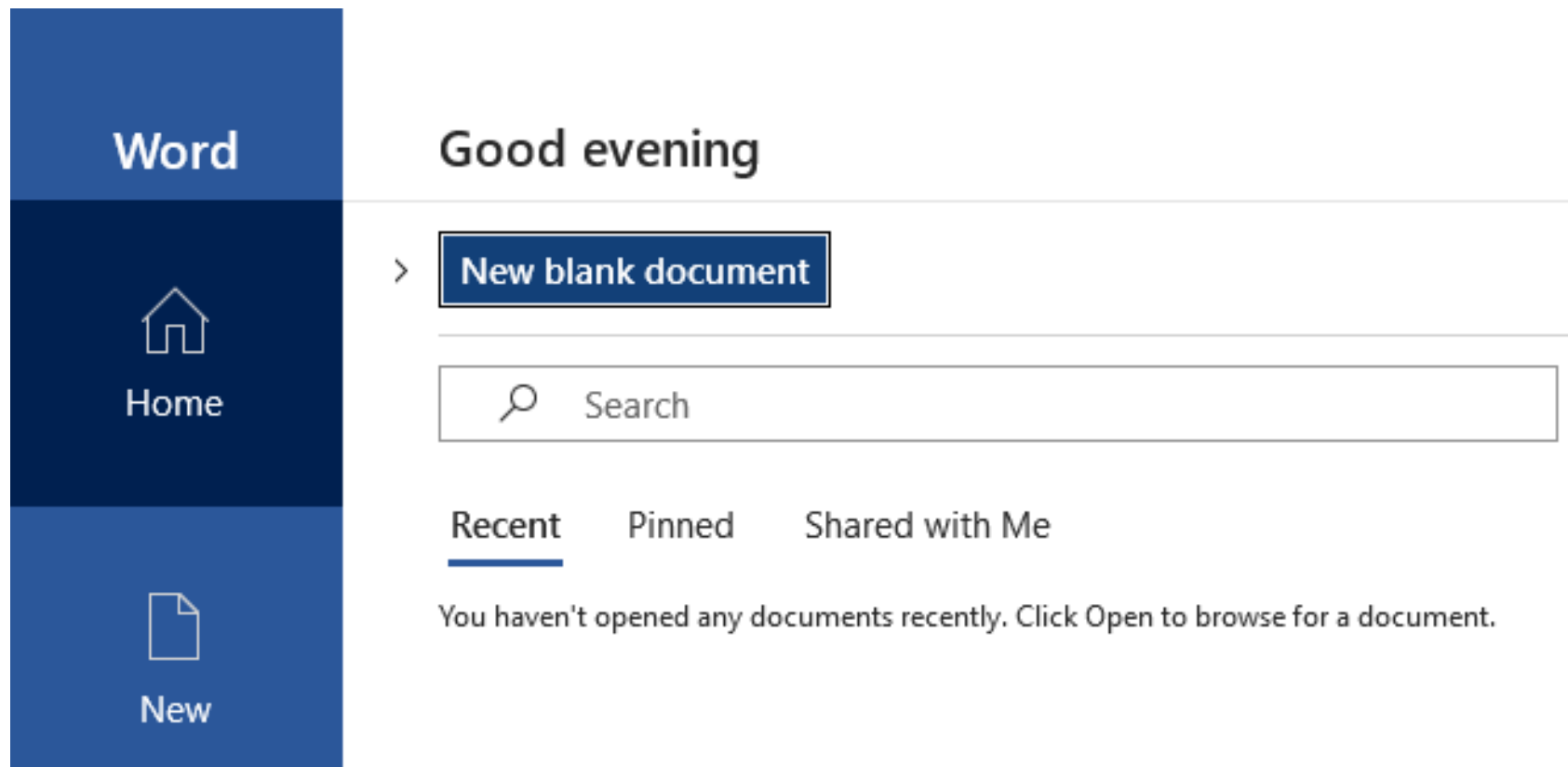


<https://www.schneier.com/crypto-gram/archives/2024/0315.html>



No recent Office files

- For some reason, none of the office programs are showing recent files or the folders I had pinned
- Despite a quick and full-length Microsoft on-line repair, the issue has not been resolved



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OPCUG joins APCUG

- OPCUG has joined the International Association of Technology and Computer User Groups (APCUG)
- We have some difficulty in obtaining volunteers to act as speakers at meetings and to write articles for the newsletter
- APCUG offers:
 - Speakers' Bureau
 - Push articles
 - Other member-specific benefits



Speakers' Bureau

- Members of participating clubs offer original presentations to other affiliated groups
- 100+ presentations
- 20+ categories
- Examples
 - Computers to the Moon
 - Cell Phone Tethering
 - Introduction to Home Automation

PUSH Articles

- Articles written by group members, sponsors, etc.
- Permission to use these articles in group newsletters
- Articles are sent to the newsletter editors of member groups

Experts: DON'T Charge Your Smartphone or Tablet Overnight – Your Battery Will Thank You

by Kurt Jefferson, Editor, Central Kentucky Computer Society

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Many of us who own iPhones, iPads, Android phones, or similar devices charge them while we sleep. So, as we're napping, our phones and tablets slowly charge their batteries. Then, when we awake, we're ready to take on the day, and so are the devices on which we depend—ready

If, for some reason, you want to turn off Optimized Battery Charging, visit Settings > Battery > Battery Health > Optimized Battery Charging.

Apple writes, "When the feature is enabled, your iPhone will delay charging past 80% in certain situations. Your iPhone

Individual Member Benefits

- Wednesday Workshops
 - 2-3 hours, starting at noon
 - Zoom sessions
 - 3rd Wednesday is Learning Linux
- Add your email address to receive invitations to the workshops
- Fill out the form at <http://eepurl.com/hp90DP>
- Enter your name, E-mail address, and *Ottawa PC Users' Group* as the name of the club
- Register on receipt of E-mail notice
- Zoom link sent by E-mail

- Groups Sharing Meetings
 - Attend on-line meetings of other user groups
- Search APCUG's web site

<https://apcug2.org>

Groups Sharing Meetings

- Member groups are listed by time zone
- Check links for details of meetings
- Examples:

ET TIME ZONE

2nd Thursday – 7:00 PM

Durham Personal Computer Users' Club

www.durhampc-usersclub.on.ca

[hugh.crawford\(at\)bell.net](mailto:hugh.crawford@bell.net)

3rd Monday – 7:00 PM

Canton, Alliance, Massillon Users Group

<https://camug.apcug.org/>

[Dwsmithacs\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:Dwsmithacs@gmail.com)

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Hardware/software question
Share on topic of interest
Details of a useful program
Interesting YouTube video/channel
Basic computer useage
Recommended Loonie Link
Smartphone/tablet app
Operating system tweak
Windows, Linux or Android

Anything computer-related

Suggestions wanted
for presentation topics at:



Monthly Meetings
starting in December
and all Q&A sessions

What would you like to hear about?



**Have the desire
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