

## Internet **Glossary**



| Active Tab   | The tab that is currently being viewed. A tab can be made active by clicking on it. The active tab can be identified by the presence of a close button, as well as a lighter background color.  |
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| Address bar  | A specialized text box used for entering the web address of a webpage or displaying the web address of the current webpage. It can also be used to perform web searches.  |
| Bookmark   | See Favorite  |
| Domain<br>name   | The portion of a web address immediately after the "www." or the portion of an e-mail address immediately after the "@" symbol. The domain name refers to the computer that is being contacted (for example, "yahoo.com").  |
| Download   | To save a file from the Internet onto your own computer (see: Upload).  |
| Favorite   | A web site address saved in the web browser to allow for the web page to be quickly accessed or remembered (like speed dial on your phone).   |
| Home page  | The initial webpage that appears when the web browser is first opened.  |
| Hyperlink  | A piece of text or graphic, that, when clicked on, will make the computer display another screen or webpage. When a hyperlink is pointed to, the mouse cursor shape will change to a hand.  |
| Internet   | The Internet is the collection of computers located all over the world that share information with each other.  |
| Link   | See Hyperlink   |
| Refresh  | Reloads a webpage, retrieving the latest version of the webpage with the latest information.  |
| Search Engine  | A website designed for finding information on other websites. Common search engines include Google, Yahoo, and Bing.  |
| Stop   | A web browser command that stops the computer from trying to open a webpage.  |
| Tab  | Represents a webpage that the web browser has open. Multiple tabs can be open at once, but only one tab can be viewed at a time (see: <i>Active Tab</i> ).  |
| Upload   | To save a file from your computer onto the Internet (see: Download).  |
| URL  | The address of a webpage on the Internet. Just like houses have unique addresses, so do websites (stands for "uniform resource locator").   |
| Virus  | A program designed specifically to harm computers. Viruses can work in many different ways and do many different things, but they all have a negative effect on one's ability to use the computer. Viruses are most frequently acquired from visiting illicit websites or by opening e-mail attachments containing viruses. |
| Web Browser  | A program used for viewing webpages on the World Wide Web. Common web browsers include: Microsoft Internet Explorer, Microsoft Edge, Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari and Google Chrome.   |
| Web Page   | A document containing images and/or text that can be displayed in a web browser.  |
| Web Site   | A set of related web pages belonging to a single domain name.   |
| World Wide<br>Web (WWW)  | The World Wide Web is the software behind the Internet – and a standardized way of creating website addresses that makes it easy to find information on the Internet computers located all over the world.  |
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