

Internet**Inter-net** (also **inter-net**) *BrE* ['ɪntənɛt] ^u *NAmE* ['ɪntənet] ^u **noun** (usually the**Internet**) (also **informal the Net**) **singular**

an international computer network connecting other networks and computers from companies, universities, etc

- I looked it up **on the Internet** .
- You can buy our goods **over the Internet** .
- All the rooms have **access to the Internet/Internet access** .
- an **Internet service provider** (= a company that provides you with an Internet connection and services such as email, etc.)

see also ↑intranet, ↑WWWSee also: ↑internetWord Origin:[**Internet**] 1970s (denoting a computer network connecting two or more smaller networks): from ↑inter- 'reciprocal, mutual' + ↑network.Collocations:**Email and the Internet***Email*

receive/get/open an email
 write/send/answer/forward/delete an email
 check/read/access your email
 block/filter (out) junk/spam/unsolicited email
 exchange email addresses
 open/check your inbox
 junk mail fills/floods/clogs your inbox
 have/set up an email account
 open/send/contain an attachment
 sign up for/receive email alerts

Connecting to the Internet

use/access/log onto the Internet/the Web
 go online/on the Internet
 have a high-speed/dial-up/broadband/wireless (Internet) connection
 access/connect to/locate the server
 use/open/close/launch a/your web browser
 browse/surf/search/scour the Internet/the Web
 send/contain/spread/detect a (computer/email) virus
 update your anti-virus software
 install/use/configure a firewall
 accept/enable /block/delete cookies

Using the Internet

visit/check a website/an Internet site/sb's blog
 create/design/launch a website/social networking site
 start/write/post/read a blog
 update your blog/a website
 be in/meet sb in/go into/enter an Internet chat room
 download/upload music/software/a song/a podcast/a file/a copy of sth
 share information/data/files
 post a comment/message on a website/an online message board/a web forum/an internet chat room
 stream video/audio/music/content over the Internet
 join/participate in/visit/provide a (web-based/web/online/Internet/discussion) forum
 generate /increase/monitor Internet traffic

Example Bank:

- Attempts to regulate the Internet are usually doomed to failure.
- He likes watching movies, reading, and surfing the Internet.
- It is possible to earn a degree over the Internet.
- Many of the sites launched at the peak of the Internet boom have now disappeared.
- More and more people are shopping on the Internet.
- Registering an Internet domain name is now an essential part of setting up a company.
- She likes to go on the Internet in the evenings.
- She often talks to fans via live Internet chats.
- She went on the Internet to check air fares.
- The auction was held in Paris with an Internet link to New York.
- They began scouring the Internet for information about his condition.
- Thousands logged on to view the live Internet broadcast of the concert.
- Travellers can check their email at the Internet cafe in the square.
- a broadband/high-speed Internet connection
- issues facing the music industry in the Internet age
- software for downloading Internet files

- the bank's Internet arm
- the challenges of providing Internet connectivity to rural communities
- the laying of fast networks to carry Internet traffic
- unlimited/unmetered Internet access

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Internet *S2 W2 BrE* *AmE* , **internet** /'ɪntənɪt \$ -tər-/ *noun*

the Internet a computer system that allows millions of computer users around the world to exchange information:

" Do you have access to the Internet?

on the Internet

" You can find all kinds of information on the internet.

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COLLOCATIONS

■ verbs

- **use the Internet** More and more companies are using the Internet to conduct their business.
- **go on the Internet** I went on the Internet to find some information for my assignment.
- **access the Internet/connect to the Internet** You can access the Internet from your mobile phone.
- **surf the Internet** (=look at different websites) She spends hours surfing the Internet every evening.
- **download something from the Internet** I downloaded the file from the Internet.
- **buy something on the Internet** He bought the chairs on the Internet.

■ Internet + NOUN

- **an Internet connection** a high-speed Internet connection
- **Internet access** Not everyone has Internet access at home.
- **an Internet address** (=the address of a website) The company charges \$100 to register a new internet address.
- **an Internet service provider** (=a company that allows you to connect to the Internet) Your Internet service providers should be able to solve the problem.
- **Internet shopping/banking** The new regulations will increase customer confidence in Internet shopping. | Internet banking saves customers a lot of time.
- **an Internet user** The number of Internet users is doubling every six months.
- **Internet use** The software allows parents to control children's Internet use.
- **Internet traffic** (=the number of people using the Internet) An estimated 40% of the nation's Internet traffic begins or ends in California.
- **Internet dating** (=using the Internet to meet people for a romantic relationship) Internet dating websites are becoming increasingly popular.
- **an Internet café** (=a café with computers, where people can pay to use the Internet) The message had been sent from an Internet café in Leeds.

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■ things you do when using the Internet

- **surf the net** *verb* to look quickly through information on the Internet, looking for anything that interests you: He spends his evenings surfing the net.
- **search** to look for a specific piece of information on the Internet, for example by entering text into a box: Try searching for his name on Google.
- **shop/book online** to buy things or reserve tickets using the Internet: More and more people are preferring to shop online. | It's easier to book online.
- **visit a website** to look at a particular Internet site: You can check to see how many people visit your website.
- **download** to get files, programs, music, films etc from the Internet and put them on your own computer: I downloaded the software for free from the Internet.
- **chat** to communicate with several people in a **chat room** on the Internet: Using the Internet, you can chat to people from around the world.