

Getting started on the Internet



1. If the browser is not active, click on the Internet Icon, for example Internet Explorer.
2. The start page appears as selected already. It may have links to other pages. Click on what seem to be links.



3. The address space is where you type in the page you wish to visit. They usually start with "http" to show you are using a convention for linking text. The full address is a 'URL' or 'unique resource locator'.
4. The 'favourites' icon links to places you store the links to places you like to visit. There may be interesting links there already.
5. The 'Back' and 'Forward' icons move between pages.



6. The 'search' icon launches a search engine to find pages relating to words typed in for searching on. Within Internet Explorer this uses the Microsoft search engine. You could also try Google, Altavista or Yahoo for example.



Try typing in <http://www.google.com> or <http://www.altavista.com> or <http://www.yahoo.com>

There may be other links to these elsewhere.

7. Each starting page should show a menu or contents or means to reach other pages. Just click on something and see what happens. If the graphic in the top right stops moving then you may have lost your connection. If you get lost, try the 'home' icon, which will take you back to where you started.

