

What is the web?



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The web – or the ‘World Wide Web’ – is, in simplistic terms, a system of interlinked documents or web pages accessible via the [internet](#). Using a web browser, you can access these documents and then navigate between them by clicking on highlighted bits of text known as ‘[hyperlinks](#)’. To clarify: the web is a part of the internet. They are often considered interchangeable terms, but this is not the case.

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