

How to find friends on Facebook

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Once you have your account set up you might want to look for more friends. You can continue to add people to your friends list for as long as you have an account.

Step 1:-Signing in

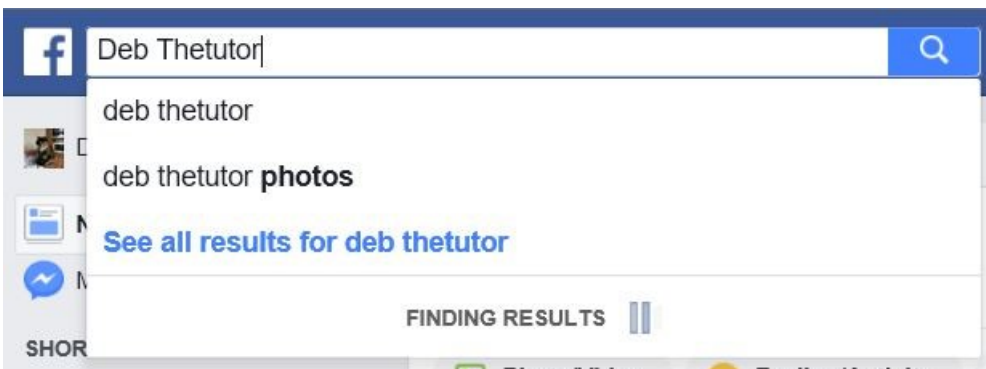
First step is to sign into your [Facebook](#) account using the username and password you created your account with. There are several ways to search for friends from within your account.

Step 2:- Searching a friend

At the top of your page you will see a search box with the words Find friends -**type in the name of the person you are looking for.**



Facebook will start to make suggestions based on the names that you type. Bear in mind that if the name is quite a common one then you may get a lot of suggestions. There are other ways to narrow the search down which we will show later in this guide.



The search results from **Facebook** are based on what is most likely, but you can also narrow your search by choosing whether you are looking for a person (most likely) or a page. Our guide on pages will give more information on this. **Click on Add Friend** once you have found the correct person.

The image shows a Facebook search interface. At the top, the search bar contains 'deb thetutor'. The navigation tabs include 'Top', 'Posts', 'People', 'Photos', 'Videos', 'Shop', 'Pages', 'Places', and 'Groups'. The 'People' tab is selected and circled in brown. On the left, the 'Filter results' section is visible, with 'POSTED BY' options: 'Anyone' (selected), 'You', 'Your Friends', 'Your groups', 'Your Friends and Groups', and 'Choose a source...'. The main content area shows a search result for 'Deb Thetutor' with a profile picture of a cat. The text next to the name reads 'London, United Kingdom' and 'Lives in London, United Kingdom'. The 'Add Friend' button is circled in brown, along with a three-dot menu icon to its right. A 'See all' link is located at the bottom right of the search results area.

Step 3:- Narrowing your search

If you are concerned that you might not have right person you may want to narrow down your choices by putting further details in, for instance the name of the town they grew up in, or the high school they attended. This will help make sure that you get the right person when you send out your friend request.

Search for Friends

Find friends from different parts of your life

Name

Home Town

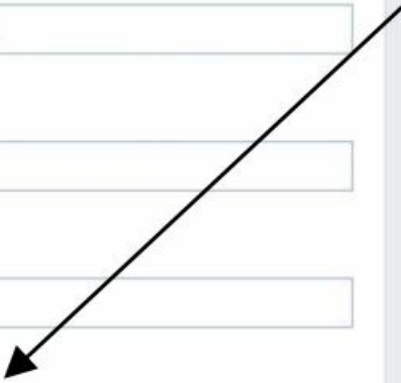
Current location

High School

College or university

Employer

University (postgraduate)

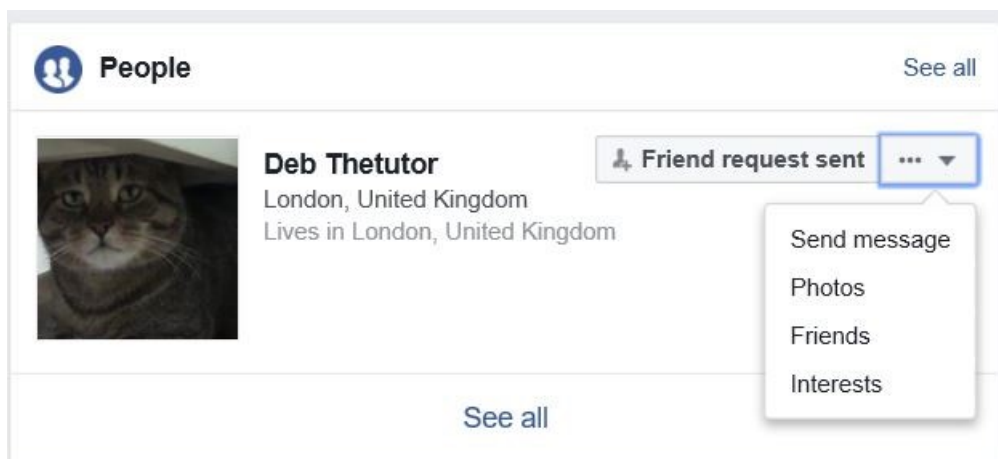


Step 4:- Sending your friend request

Facebook will show a message to say that your friend request has been sent.

Do remember that your friends also can decide not to accept your friend request so you will not be able to connect up with them unless they agree to do so.

Clicking on the down arrow next to the sent message allows you to look at photos from that person's page just in case you are in doubt as to whether you are contacting the correct person.

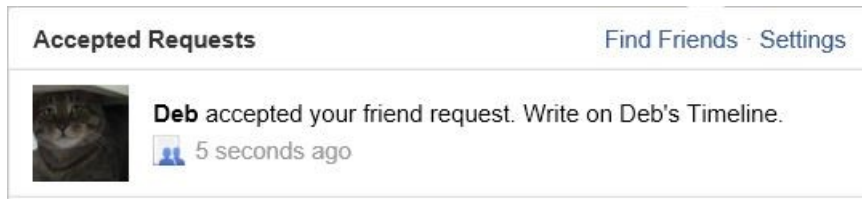


Step 5:- Receiving a friend request

When you send or receive a friend request you will see a number appear next the image of two people at the top of your page.



If you **click on that image** you will be told that your friend has accepted your friend request. You are now **Facebook** Friends and can visit each other's pages, write on timelines and send messages.



We hope that this guide has helped you connect with friends and family on **Facebook** - why don't you check out our other Facebook guides in the **Next Steps** links below.

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