

## Reading 6

### Skills:

- Main idea
- Details

**Getting started:** Have you ever used Internet Explorer? Do you remember the first internet browser you used? Which was it?

### MICROSOFT WILL BID FAREWELL TO INTERNET EXPLORER AND LEGACY EDGE IN 2021

Microsoft spokesmen have announced that the American company will end support for their Internet Explorer 11 in the near future. Next year, on August 17th, 2021, its classic **browser** will no longer be supported for Microsoft's online services like Office 365, OneDrive, Outlook, and more.



While it's still going to take some time to discourage enterprise users from using Internet Explorer 11, Microsoft is hoping that the new Internet browser will be efficient, dynamic, and appealing to attract users. It will continue to let businesses access old sites that were specifically built for Internet Explorer, until Microsoft fully drops support for Internet Explorer 11 within Windows 10. Microsoft's move to stop supporting Internet Explorer 11 with its main web properties is a good first step, though.

Alongside the support changes, Microsoft is also planning to drop support for its existing version of Microsoft Edge on March 9th, 2021. After the end of support date, the latest version of Edge will no

longer receive security updates.

Microsoft has been working on killing off Internet Explorer usage and support for years now. The company first unveiled its new Edge browser back in 2015, codenamed at the time Project Spartan. It was the beginning of the end for the Internet Explorer brand. Microsoft has since labeled Internet Explorer a "compatibility solution" rather than a browser and encouraged businesses to stop using the aging browser.

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**Glossary:**

- **Browser:** a computer program that lets you look at or read documents on the World Wide Web.

**Complete the reading map based on the information provided by the text:**

*Reading Map*



Who?



What?



When?



Where?



Why?



How?

**What do you think?**

What is your favorite internet browser? Why do you prefer this one?