LESSON 2

Web Browsers & Search Engines

Activity 1 Starting up *Web Browsers*

Marc Andreessen is the programmer who created the first web browser in the world. Listen to him explaining what a web browser is.



When you use the Internet, you need a web browser because the web browser is a computer program that finds information on the Internet. After the web browser has found the information, it will show the results on your computer screen so that you can look at or read documents on the Internet.

Without a web browser, it is not possible to access websites, web pages or read information on the Internet.

A web browser is sometimes called an internet browser.

The web browser and the internet browser are also called a browser for short.

B According to Marc Andreessen, write *true* or *false* for the following statements.

true It is a software application for finding and seeing content on the Internet.

_____ 1 It is a computer program used to view web pages.

_____ 2 It is a software application that let you read documents on the Internet.

_____ 3 A web browser is sometimes known as an internet browser.

_____ 4 It is a software application for marking an internet website so that you can easily find it again.

_____ 5 It is possible for the users to access information on the Internet without using a web browser.

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Conversation Web browser on your computer



B From the conversation in Exercise A, are these sentences *true* or *false*? Correct the false sentences.

true — Sally bought a new notebook computer.

false — Eric asked for help with his computer. Sally asked for help with her computer.

_____ 1 Sally does not have an internet connection.

_____ 2 Eric was finding a web browser on Sally's computer.

_____ 3 Eric found a web browser icon on the Windows desktop.

_____ 4 Mozilla Firefox is the web browser on Sally's laptop.

_____ 5 To open the web browser, Sally needs to double-click on the icon.

D Go back to the conversation in Exercise A. *"You double-click on the icon to open the browser," Eric said*. What does the verb *double-click* mean? Circle a, b, c or d.

a. To press a computer mouse twice slowly
b. To press a button on a computer mouse twice quickly
c. To hold a computer mouse tightly in your hand
d. To press the right-hand button on a computer mouse

E Work in groups. Discuss the following questions with your friends.

1. Is it necessary for a computer to have at least one web browser?
2. How many web browsers are there on the computers at your school or at home? What are they?
3. If we want to know what web browser is on a computer, how do we know?

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Activity 3 Language Focus I *Patterns with web browsers*

A Circle the verbs in brackets to complete these sentences.

1. What do you _____ as your web browser? (use / read)
2. Double-click on an icon to _____ an application. (lunch / launch)
3. You can _____ a new web browser for free, and it only takesafew minutes. (install / open)
4. Click on the 'X' to _____ the window and exit the application. (open / close)
5. _____ the Control Panel and double-click the system icon. (Open / Install)

B Put the words in the right order to make a sentence.

use / Firefox / as / I / web browser / my /.

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A Read the passage "What is Search Engine?". Then answer the questions.

What is Search Engine?



Web search engine or simply ***search engine*** is a computer program that helps you look for information on the Internet. The online search starts with going to one of the web search engines and typing in the words you are going to find. Then, that web search engine will search for content related to your word search.

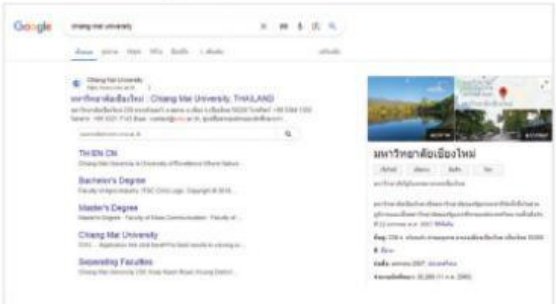
Step 1 : Go to a web search engine such as www.google.com, www.yahoo.com, www.bing.com.



Step 2 : Type the keyword in the search box and hit Enter or click the Search button.

Step 3 : The search engine will look for and display the sites that contain the web pages where the keyword has been found.





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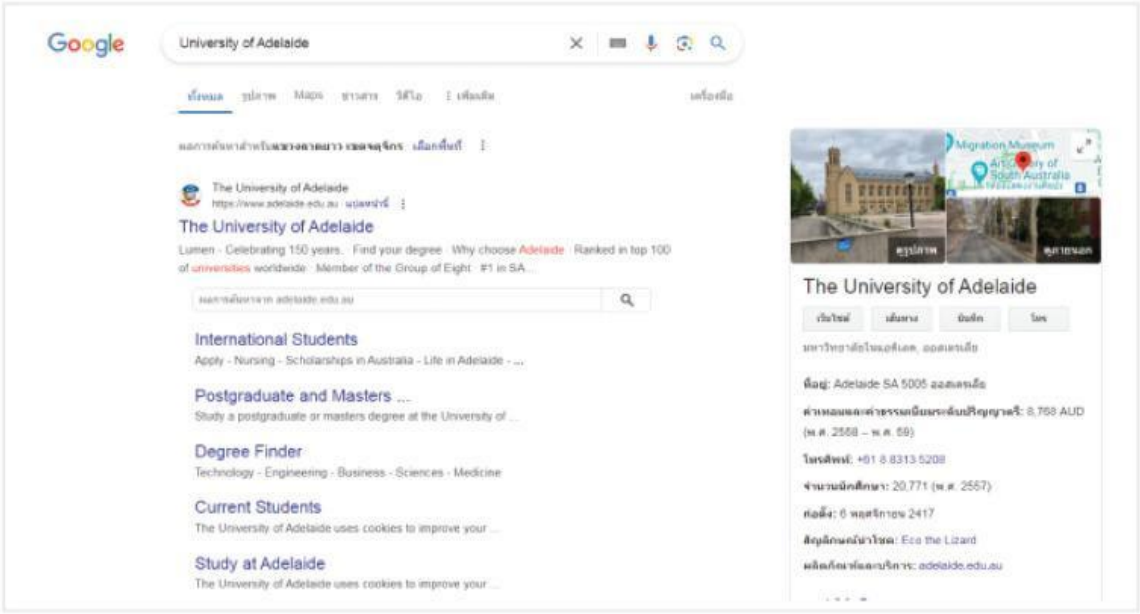
Questions about the search engine:

1. What is Search Engine?

2. Give an example of a web search engine.

3. Where do you type the keyword?

B A person typed and entered the keyword *University of Adelaide*, and the web search engine displayed the following list of web pages with titles and a link to each page. Look at the search results and answer the questions.



Questions about the search results:

1. How many results did the search engine find from the keyword *University of Adelaide*?

2. Where do you think University of Adelaide is located?

3. What is the telephone number of the University of Adelaide?

4. What is University of Adelaide's website address?

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Activity 7 Word Work *Google as a verb*

A Which of the following is the correct meaning of the verb "google"? Circle a, b, c or d.

a. to search for information on the Internet
b. to make a computer program Google Chrome start
c. to use a computer program that allows you to search for information on the Internet
d to search for information (someone or something) on the Internet using a search engine or the Search engine Google

B What is the part of speech (noun, verb, adjective, etc.) of the word "google" in the statement below?

Why are you asking this here when you can just google the answer?

Answer : _____

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