

## Basic internet terms for seniors

Internet usage brings a laundry list of new words to add to your vocabulary. Here are some basic terms that can help you become an internet expert.

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Internet definitions you need to know:

**Blog** - an internet journal or magazine by one or more writers (bloggers)

**Browser** - software that allows a computer to access any media on the internet

**Domain** - the address of a website equivalent to a physical address

*Types of domain names:*

**com** - for commercial websites

**edu** - for educational institution websites

**gov** - for local, state, or federal government-sponsored websites

**org** - for organization websites

**Downloading or Uploading** - to move data from your computer to another computer

**Email** - a way of exchanging messages using the internet, short for “electronic mail”

**Internet** - an electronic super network that connects computers around the world

**Internet Service Provider (ISP)**

- companies that provide internet access to homes and businesses for a fee

**Modem** - a device that connects your home network to the internet, find its many types below

*Types of modems:*

**Cable Modem** - uses a coax cable to connect a computer device to the ISP

**DSL Modem** - known as digital subscriber line, connects a computer to a telephone line to get an internet connection

**Ethernet Cable** - is used to connect to a local network through a wifi router or a modem

**Router** - allows communication between the devices in your network to the internet

**Router** - a device used in conjunction with your modem that allows you and other users in your home to wirelessly connect multiple devices to your home internet connection

**Search Engine** - a webpage, such as Google, Yahoo, and Bing, used for searching the internet for information

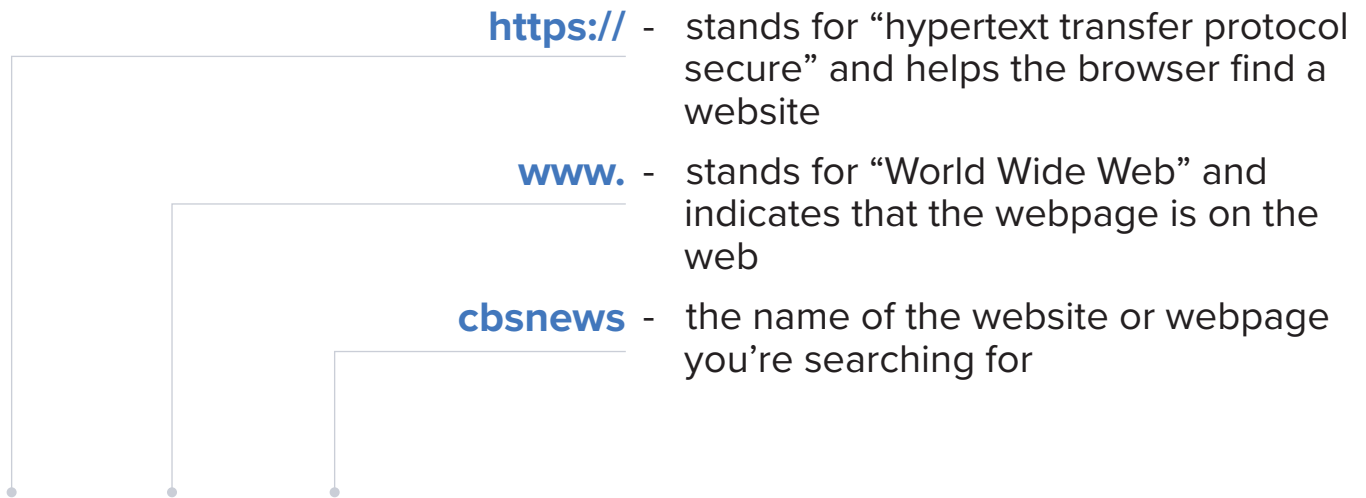
**Webpage** - a single page on the internet containing media

**Website** - a collection of related webpages; think of a website like a book and webpages as its pages

**Wi-Fi** - a way of connecting to the internet wirelessly

## How to read an internet web address

A web address or URL tells you where a page is located on the internet. Knowing how it's structured lets you understand at a glance the kind of information a website has.



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