

Section 7: Creating an account

In this section:

- Set up an email account.
- See an **example** of creating an account.

Many websites and online services will ask you to set up an account.

You give **information** like your name and date of birth.





Be careful about providing personal details.

Make sure you trust the website.

Only give bank or card details when there is a **clear reason**.

If you are worried ask for help.

How to open an account.

We are using Gmail as our example.

Steps for creating an account

Step 1: Open your internet browser.

There are many different **internet browsers**.

You might use one of these browsers:



Chrome



Safari



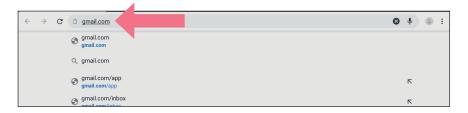
Microsoft edge



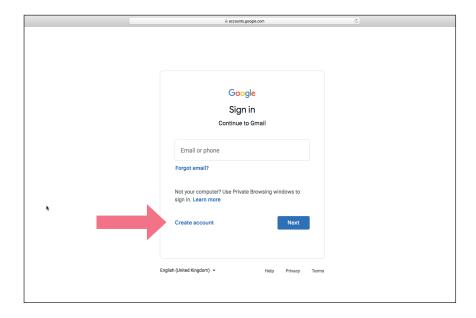
Firefox

Step 2: In the top bar, type in gmail.com.

Press the **enter key** on your keyboard.



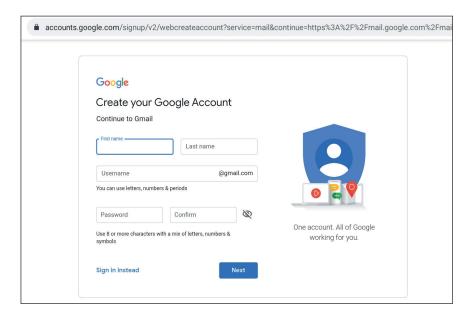
Step 3: You will see this homepage.



Step 4: Click on 'Create account'

Step 5: A form will open.

Fill in your details.



This **form asks** for:

- First name.
- Last name.
- Username.
- Password.

Username is used to identify you.

It does not have to be the same as your real name.

It needs to be unique.

The account wants you to choose a **password**.

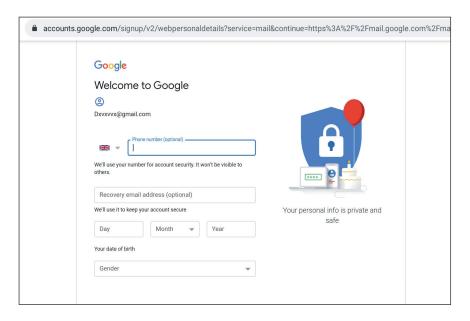
Sites have different **rules about passwords**.

In this example your password needs:

- Eight or more characters with a mix of letters.
- Numbers.
- A symbol such as ! \$ *

Step 6: Once you have filled in this information, click the blue 'next' button.

You will now see this page.



Now enter your phone number.

This is optional so you do not have to share your number.

Next fill in a recovery email address.

This is in case you forget your password.

This is **optional** and you do not need to fill this in.

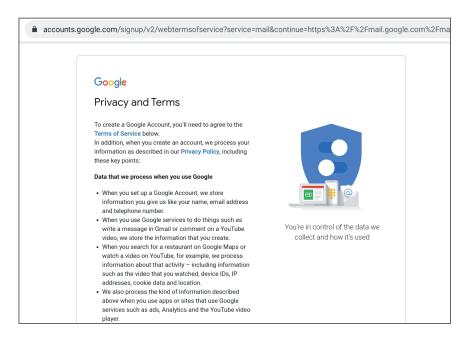
You also give:

- Date of birth.
- Gender.

Step 7: Click the blue 'next' button.

You will now see the terms of service.

This includes information on the **privacy policy**.



Scroll through the information.

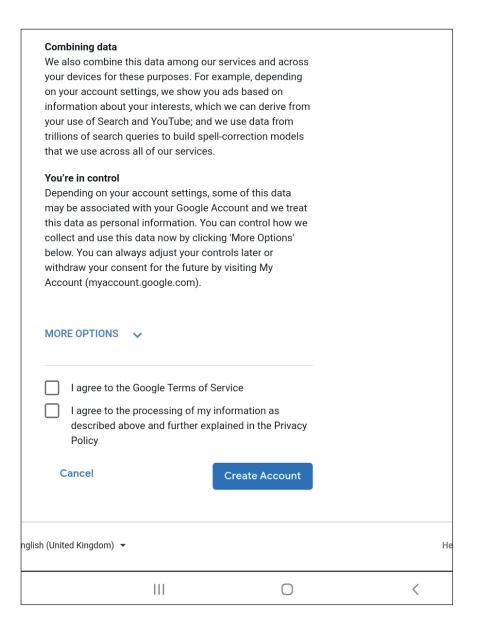
You can move down the page by click the blue arrow at the bottom.

Step 8: Tick the two boxes at the end of the document. .

To tick the boxes click on them.

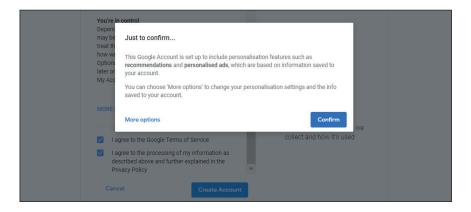
Only tick on the boxes if you agree:

- The terms of service.
- The processing of your information.



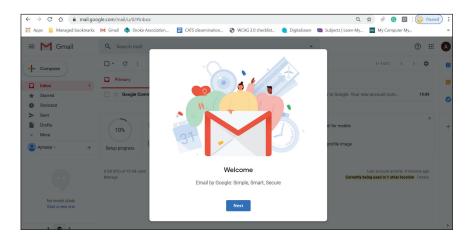
Step 9: Click the blue 'Create Account' button.

A message will pop up.



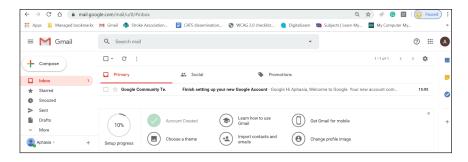
Click the blue 'confirm' button.

Your email account will now open.



Click the blue 'next' button.

You will have an email in your account.



To **open** the email **click** on it.

It is a welcome email from Google.