

Enjoying the Internet Fifth Session-June 2023

Fifth Session-

1. Pains & Gains.

2. Smart TV's, Free Apps, or websites offering a service, Podcasts etc

- Connect Smart TV to Wi-Fi network—remember the name of the network & the password.
Then enjoy Netflix, YouTube; SBS, iView, etc –cast to your TV from your phone or within the Google Chrome browser.
- <https://www.newspaperindex.com> Click here for a list of online newspapers from all countries.
- Stocard Free for IOS & Android- use this App to keep a copy of all your cards E.g., Woolworths, Mitre 10, Credit Card, Licence etc...

The History of English podcasts, and The Conversation is from my friend **Andi:**

- The History of English podcasts <https://historyofenglishpodcast.com/>
- The Conversation is at <https://theconversation.com/au>

3. How to make a QR (quick response) code to share your WiFi password

Discuss: QR codes for tickets, open up webpages etc

4. Photo books <https://www.snapfish.com.au/store/home>, and <https://www.vistaprint.com.au>

5. Cloud storage—and bringing your files with you --Drop Box handy for accessing files online from anywhere & sharing files. This link explains what Dropbox is: <https://www.jotform.com/what-is-dropbox/>

Why do people use Dropbox instead of Google Drive?

Winner. In the battle of Dropbox vs Google Drive, the best cloud storage service is Dropbox, by a nose. It just edges out Google Drive based on security, but **its slightly easier file sharing and faster syncing also make it a better service, particularly for those who collaborate on a lot of documents.**

Also access most files and programs on your Mac using your Apple login with iCloud.

Cloud storage: Video from Ask Leo: **stop at about 5.50** - he starts talking about encryption. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5yZIBOz08SI> **watch video.**

Simply put, the cloud is **the Internet**—more specifically, it's all the things you can **access remotely** over the Internet. When something is **in the cloud**, it means it's stored on **Internet servers** instead of your computer's hard drive.

Why use the cloud?

Some of the main reasons to use the cloud are **convenience** and **reliability**. For example, if you've ever used a **web-based email service**, such as **Gmail** or **Yahoo! Mail**, you've already used the cloud. All the emails in a web-based service are stored on servers rather than on your computer's hard drive. This means you can access your email from any computer with an Internet connection.

Let's look at some of the most common reasons to use the cloud.

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- **File storage:** You can store all types of information in the cloud, including files and email. This means you can access these things from **any computer** or **mobile device** with an Internet connection, not just your home computer. **Dropbox** and **Google Drive** and **iCloud** are some of the most popular cloud-based storage services.
- **File sharing:** The cloud makes it easy to **share files** with several people at the same time. For example, you could upload several photos to a cloud-based photo service like **Flickr** or **iCloud Photos**, then quickly share them with friends and family?
- **Backing up data:** You can also use the cloud backup & to protect your files. This way, if your computer ever is lost, stolen, or damaged, you'll still be able to recover these files from the cloud.
- **What is a web app?** web applications—or web apps—that run in the cloud and do not need to be installed on your computer. Many of the most popular sites on the Internet are web apps. **Let's take a look at some popular web apps.**
 - **Facebook:** Facebook lets you create an online profile and interact with your friends. Profiles and conversations can be updated at any time, so Facebook uses web app technologies to keep the information up to date.
 - **Pixlr:** Pixlr is an **image editing application** that runs in your web browser. Much like **Adobe Photoshop**, it **includes** many advanced features, like colour correction and sharpening tools.
 - **Google Docs.** Google Docs is an **office suite** that runs in your browser. Much like **Microsoft Office**, you can use it to create **documents, spreadsheets, presentations**, and more. And because the files are stored **in the cloud**, it's easy to **share** them with others.
- **USB drive:** USB or flash drives are **small, removable hard drives** that plug into the **USB ports** on your computer. They are relatively inexpensive.

[How to Use a USB Drive - YouTube](#) watch video

- **Air Drop—this is Apple to Apple**

6. Re-open closed tabs in Google Chrome

Click on the three dots in Chrome's upper-right corner. **Click on History** and look under the Recently Closed heading.

Some websites you/we use often that we enjoy, learn from—just use!!

- a. U3A weebly
- b. My gov
- c. Google/Safari browsers
- d. Your bank
- e. Paypal
- f. Ebay
- g. Investment programs

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- h. Social media
- i. View films, coming events etc <https://www.acmi.net.au/events-calendar/>
- j. Wikipedia <https://www.wikipedia.org/> **Wikipedia** is a free online encyclopedia, created and edited by volunteers around the world and hosted by the Wikimedia Foundation
- k. Family History sites (ancestry & my heritage)
- l. White pages
- m. WhatsApp <https://www.whatsapp.com/>

Discuss: some of your favorites

- 7. **U3A website:** <https://u3abenalla.weebly.com/> I will add this month's session for your review
- 8. **AI—we finished up our session looking at Artificial Intelligence via chatgpt_** Watch these two videos (links below).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fs3NhePN2Mg> ChatGPT is artificial intelligence- chatbot software is capable of writing poems, college-level essays and even computer code. Experts say the software highlights how far AI has come in just a few years, while still spotlighting concerns around accuracy

<http://www.cbc.ca/player/play/2141634627521>

Below is an example of what took just seconds to produce!!! Click on this link and you'll what Quantum Theory is too!!!

<https://chat.openai.com/share/7b68512d-930c-4d1e-8a00-075415a43d54>

The text I entered was: "Write poem on seniors internet groups last session with Dawn and use narration software to read it out" This is what came out!!!!

In a virtual realm where connections reside,
Where the elder souls find solace inside,
There, in the world of internet's grace,
Seniors unite, seeking wisdom's embrace.

Amidst the glowing screens, their fingers do roam
, Exploring the depths of knowledge, their new home.
For these seasoned minds, age no longer a plight,
Their spirits gleaming, their hearts alight.

Dawn, the narrator, with her voice so serene,
Guides them through pixels, like a luminary queen.
With every word she weaves, her melody so clear,
She paints their stories, the laughter, and the tears.

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The last session dawns, a bittersweet day,
Their time together slowly fading away.
Years of shared memories within this digital sphere,
Now it's time to part, hearts heavy with cheer.

Dawn's voice, now tender, with a touch of melancholy,
Recites their journey, a testament to their folly.
From tales of youth to lessons hard-earned,
The seniors listen, emotions churned.

A gentle sigh escapes with every memory told,
A treasure trove of wisdom, more valuable than gold.
They've laughed, they've learned, they've cherished it all,
Through the ups and downs, united in their call.

Dawn's voice grows softer, like whispers in the wind,
As she bids farewell to each beloved friend.
But the bond they forged, it shall never wane,
For the spirit of their unity forever shall remain.

In the depths of their souls, a fire brightly burns,
Their thirst for knowledge, a flame that still yearns.
Though the sessions may end, the stories won't fade,
In their hearts, they'll live on, like a serenade.

So, as Dawn's voice recedes, its echoes sublime,
Seniors gather strength, embracing the sands of time.
For they've shared their tales, enriched and true,
And the world is brighter because of the likes of you