

Get started with Hangouts

All of the information below is directly from

https://support.google.com/hangouts/answer/2944865?hl=en&ref_topic=63864

You can use Hangouts to:

- Start a chat conversation or video call.

- Make phone calls using Wi-Fi or data.

- Send text messages with your [Google Voice](#) or [Google Fi](#) phone number.

Hangouts sync automatically across devices. If you start a Hangout on your computer, you can continue your chat on another device, like your phone.

Use Hangouts on a Computer

Hangouts can be used in:

- hangouts.google.com

- [Gmail](#)

- [Hangouts Chrome extension](#)

Once you choose an app, [learn how to sign in to Hangouts](#).

1. On your computer, go to hangouts.google.com or open Hangouts in [Gmail](#).
2. Enter your Google Account information.
3. Click Sign in. In Gmail, on the left, click Sign in.

To use Hangouts with multiple accounts at the same time, you can:


- Use a different browser for each account.


- Set up a separate Chrome profile for each account. You can switch between profiles in separate Chrome windows. [Learn how to set up a Chrome profile](#).

- Install the [Hangouts Chrome extension](#).



Use Hangouts on Android

Download and sign in to Hangouts

1. On your Android phone or tablet, [download the Hangouts app](#)  .
2. Learn how to [sign in on Hangouts](#).


- a. On your Android phone or tablet, open the Hangouts app .
- b. Select a Google Account, or sign in to another account.
- c. Tap Sign in.
- d. Follow these steps to [verify your phone number](#) and let people find you on Hangouts. If you don't want to verify your phone number, tap Skip.

Sign in to multiple accounts




1. On your Android phone or tablet, open the Hangouts app .
2. At the top left, tap Menu .
3. Tap Settings > Add account.
4. Enter your Google Account information.
5. Tap Sign in.

Use Hangouts on iPhone/iPad

Download and sign in to Hangouts

1. [On your iPhone or iPad, download the Hangouts app.](#)
2. [Learn how to sign in on Hangouts.](#)
 - a. On your iPhone or iPad, open the Hangouts app .
 - b. Tap Get started.
 - c. Select a Google Account, or sign in to another account.
 - d. Follow these steps to [verify your phone number](#) and let people find you on Hangouts. If you don't want to verify your phone number, tap Skip.

Sign in to multiple accounts

1. On your iPhone or iPad, open the Hangouts app .
2. Tap Menu .
3. Next to your account, tap the Down arrow .
4. Tap Manage Accounts.
5. Select or add an account.

Note: Hangouts works with Apple's mobile operating system version 8.0 and up.

Use accessibility features

Learn how to [use iPhone and iPad accessibility features](#) on Hangouts, like how to make phone calls