Lab - Configure Browser Settings in Windows 8

Introduction

In this lab, you will configure browser settings in Microsoft Internet Explorer.
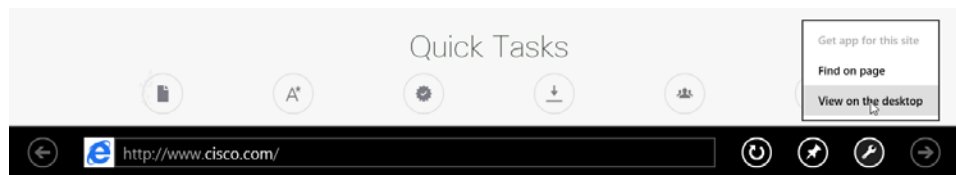
Recommended Equipment

- A computer with Windows 8
- An Internet connection

Step 1: Set Internet Explorer as the default browser.

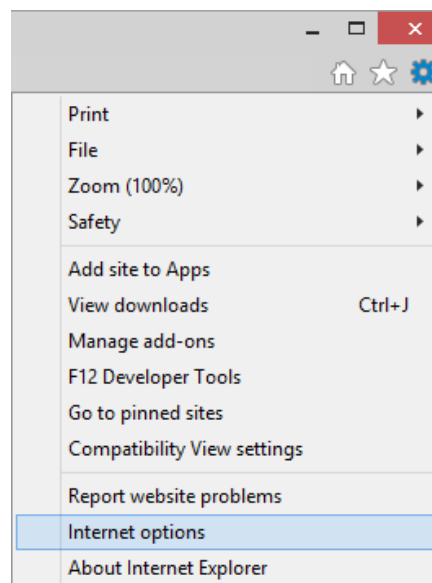a. On the **Start** screen, type **www.cisco.com**, and click the link **http://www.cisco.com**.

   Note: If **Quick Tasks** opens, click the **wrench icon** (⊘) and click **View on the desktop**.

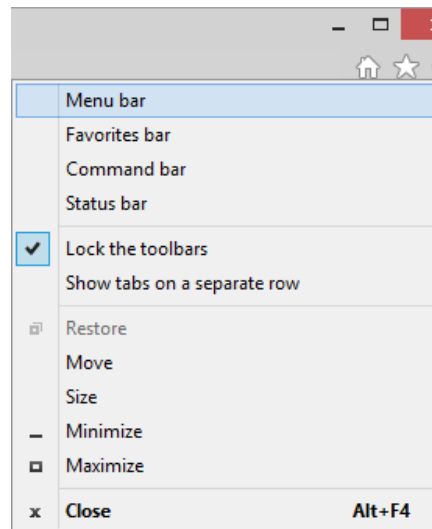   Which browser was used to open the web page?

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   If your answer is not Internet Explorer, use the following steps to set Internet Explorer as your default browser. Otherwise, go to step b.

   1) Navigate to the **Start** screen and type **Internet Explorer**. Select **Internet Explorer**.

   2) Click **Set default browser** in the Internet Explorer window. Click **Tools** (⚙) icon **> Internet options** if the option is not available.
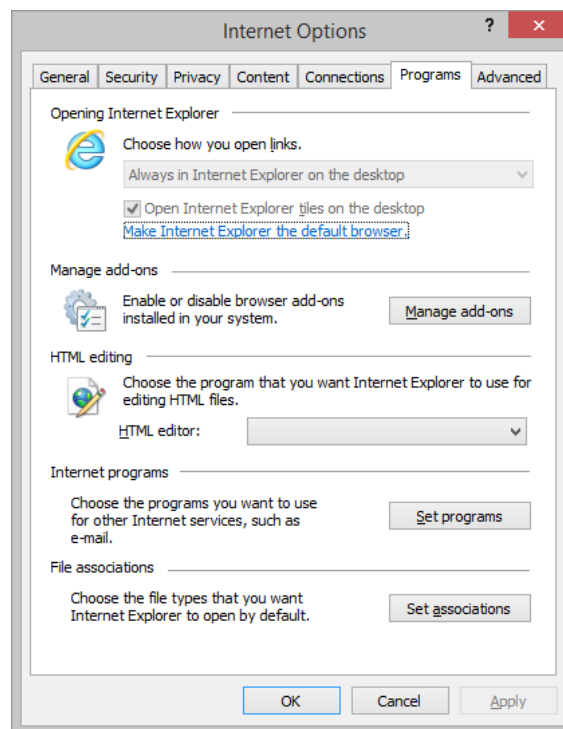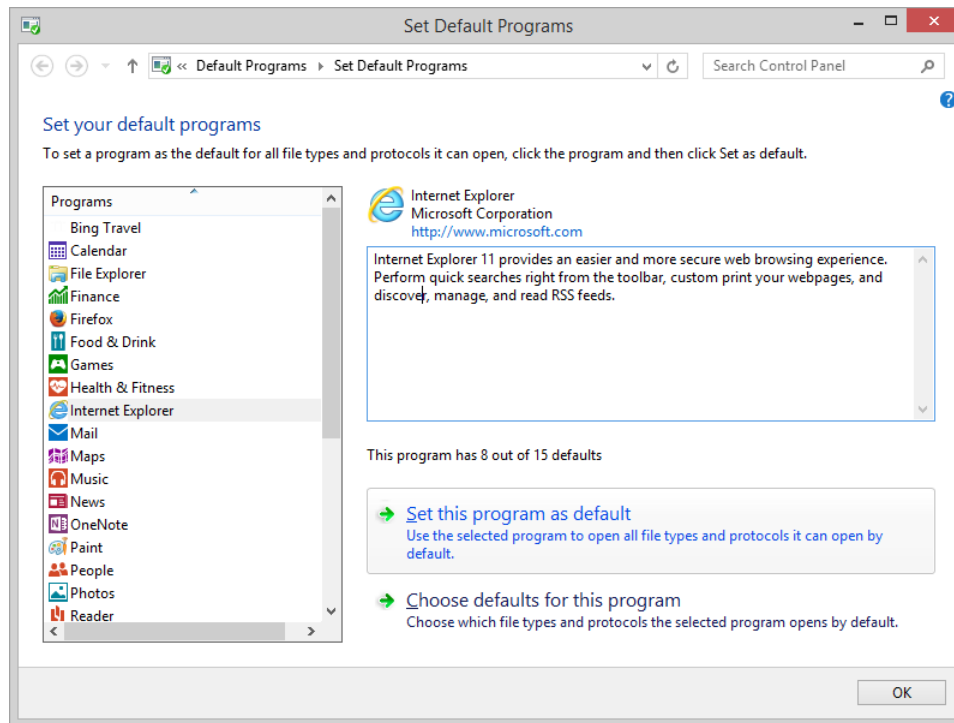
If desired, right-click the title bar and select **Menu bar** to add the menu to Internet Explorer. Click **Help** menu **> About Internet Explorer**.
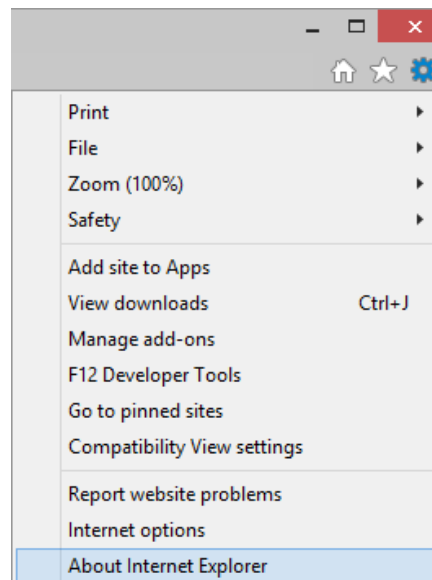
3) In the **Internet Options** window, select the **Programs** tab, and click **Make Internet Explorer the default browser**.

4) In the **Set Default Programs** window, click **Internet Explorer** on the left panel. Click **Set this program as default**. Click **OK** in the **Set Default Programs** window to close it.

5) Click **OK** in the **Internet Options** window to continue.

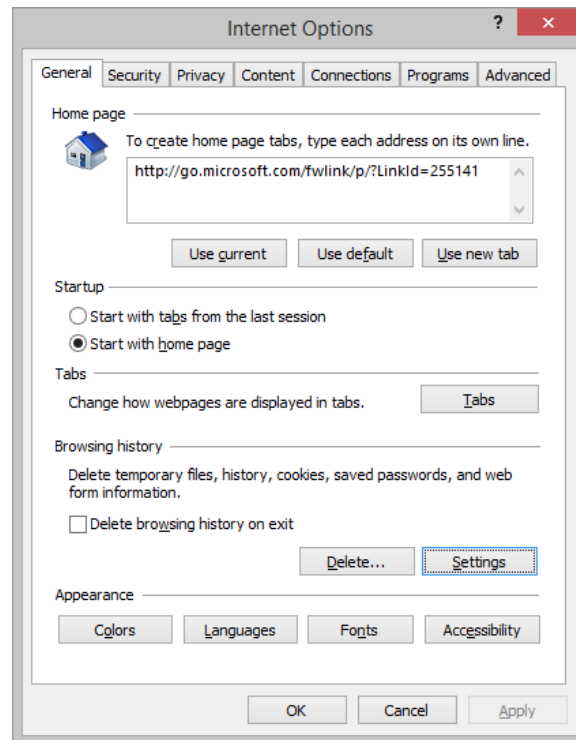b. Click **Tools** (⚙) icon > **About Internet Explorer** or click **Help** menu **> About Internet Explorer**.

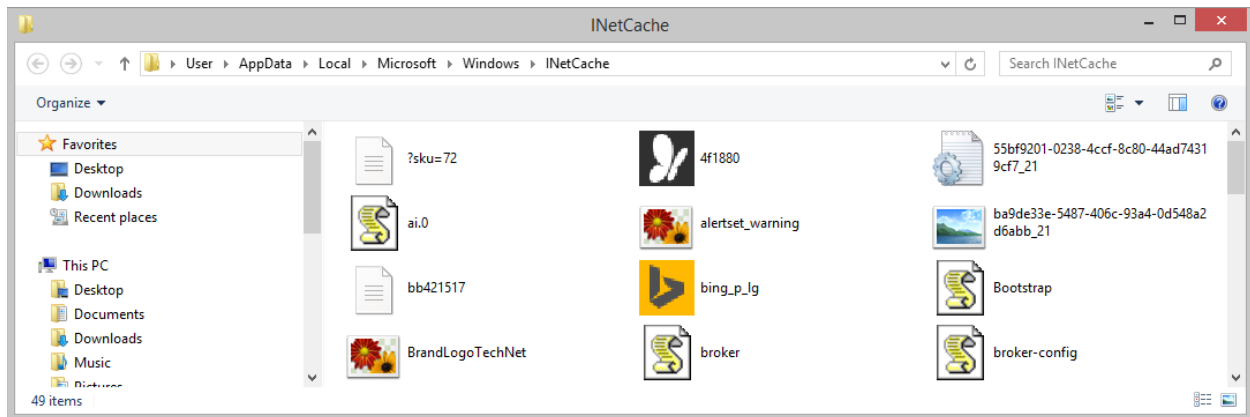Which version of Internet Explorer is installed on your computer?

c. Click **Close** to continue.

Step 2:   Clear Temporary Internet Files.

a.   Select **Tools > Internet options**. Click **Settings** in the Browsing history section in the **General** tab.

b.   In the **Temporary Internet Files** tab of the **Website Data Settings** window, click **View files** to list the temporary Internet files.
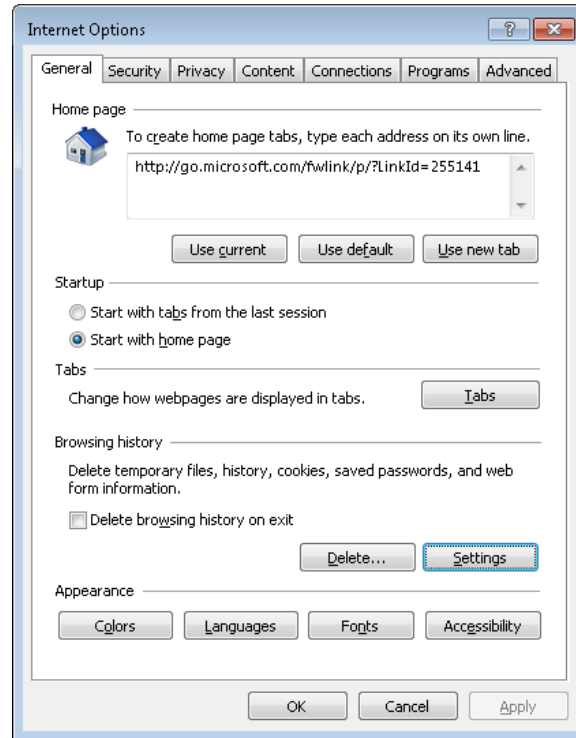

How many temporary Internet files were listed?

c.   Close the **INetCache** or **Temporary Internet Files** window.

In the **Temporary Internet Files** tab of the **Website Data Settings** window, which setting is configured for **Check for newer versions of stored pages**?
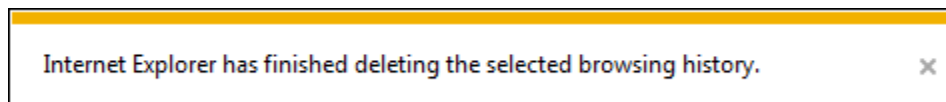
In the **History** tab, how many days is **History** set to store list of visited websites?

d. Click **OK** to close the **Website Data Settings**.

e. In the **General** tab of the **Internet Options** window, click **Delete…** .

Which options are available in the **Delete Browsing History** for deleting browsing history?

f. Uncheck all selected options except for **Temporary Internet files**. Click **Delete** to remove the temporary files. When completed, Internet Explorer displays the following message:
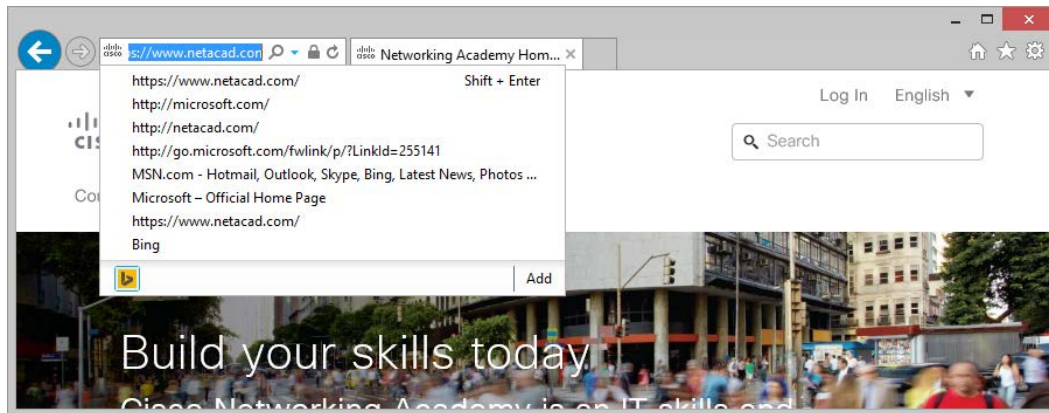

Internet Explorer has finished deleting the selected browsing history.

g. Close all open windows except for Internet Explorer.

Step 3:   Clear Internet Browsing History.

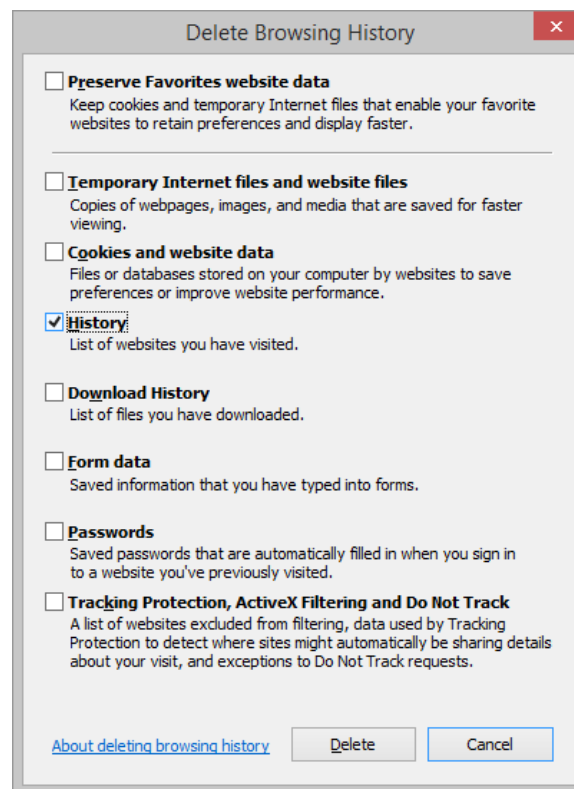a. Open Internet Explorer if closed and visit a few web sites using the same tab.

b. Click the **down** arrow, at the right end of the **URL Address** field, to view previously visited sites.
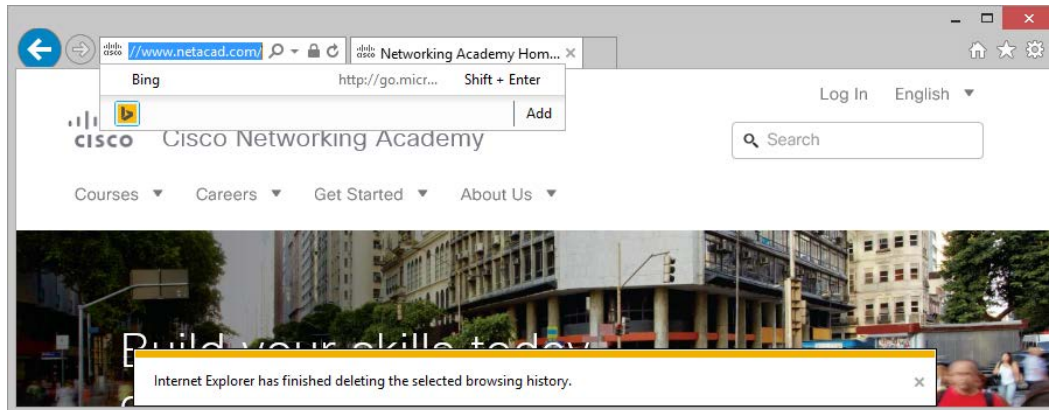

How many sites are listed in the drop-down box?

c. To clear the browser history, select **Tools > Internet options > Delete**. Uncheck all selected options except for **History**. Click **Delete**.

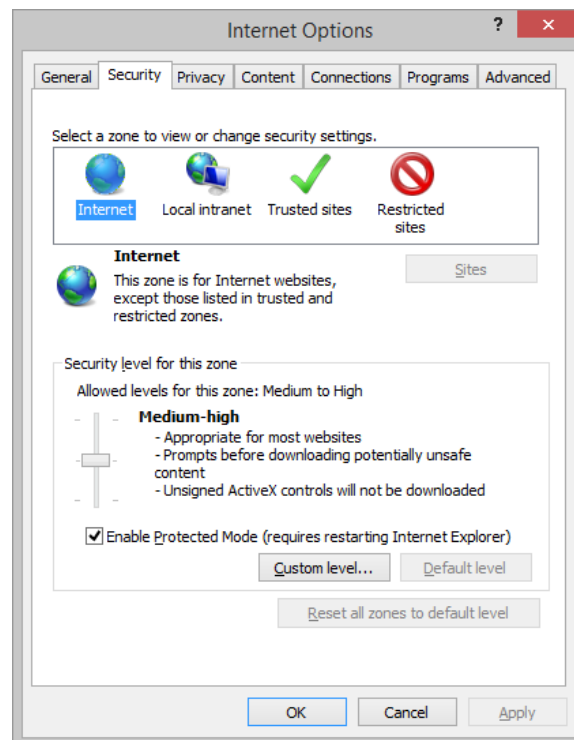d. Close all open windows except for Internet Explorer.

e. When completed, click the **down** arrow at the right end of the **address** field to view previously visited sites.

How many sites are now found in the drop-down box for browsing history?

Step 4:   Configure the Security Settings.

a. Open Internet Explorer as necessary.

b. Select **Tools > Internet options**, and then click the **Security** tab.

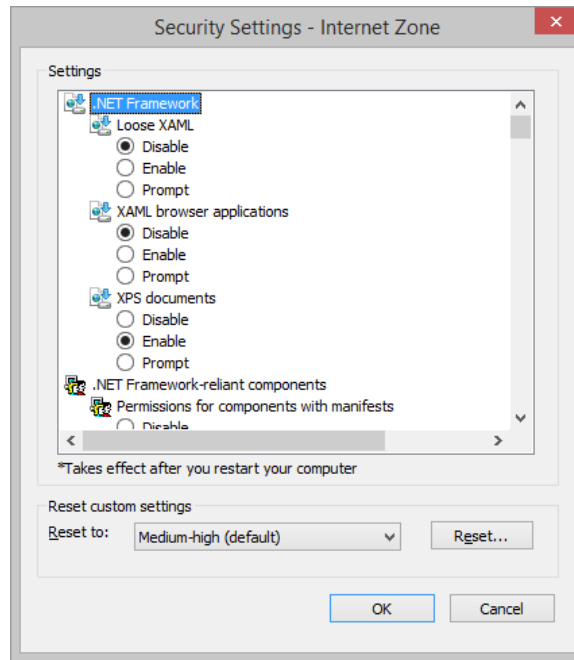   c.   Click each of the four zones and describe their security settings.

        Internet:

        Local intranet:

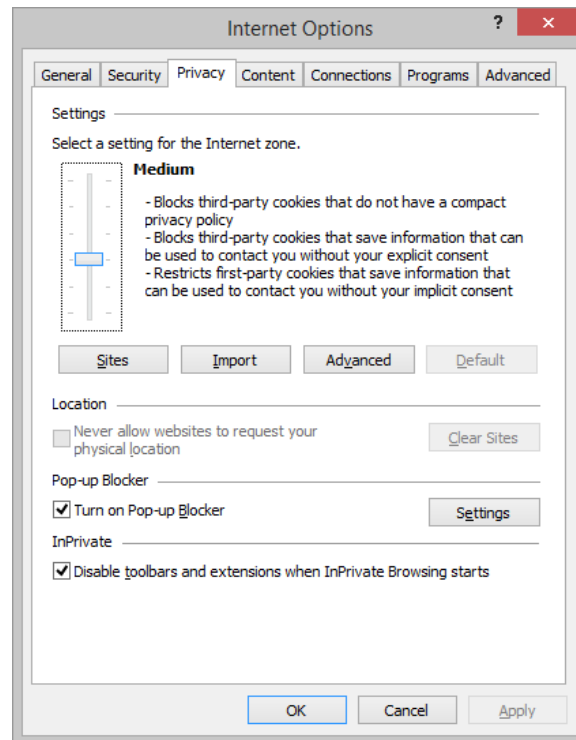   **Trusted sites**:

        Restricted sites:

    d.   Click the **Custom level… button**. In this window, you can select the options in the list that you wish to change for a zone. Click **Cancel** to close this window.
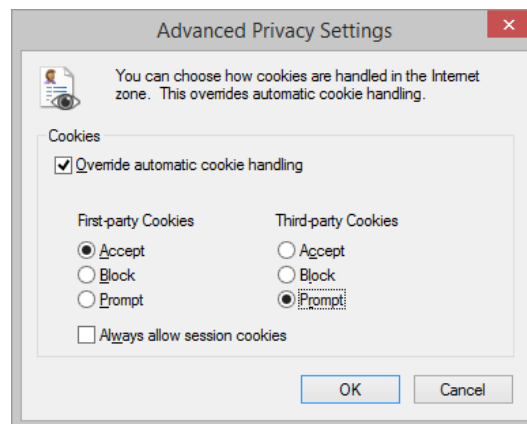
Step 5: Configure Privacy Settings.

a. Open Internet Explorer if necessary. Click **Tools >Internet options > Privacy** tab. Click **Advanced.**

b. In the **Advanced Privacy Settings** window, click **Override automatic cookie handling** and change the setting for Third-party Cookies to **Prompt**.

c. Click **OK** and close all open windows.

Reflection

Why would you want to clear temporary Internet files or Internet browsing history?