

## Lab 6.4 - Configure Browser Settings in Windows 7 and Vista

### Introduction

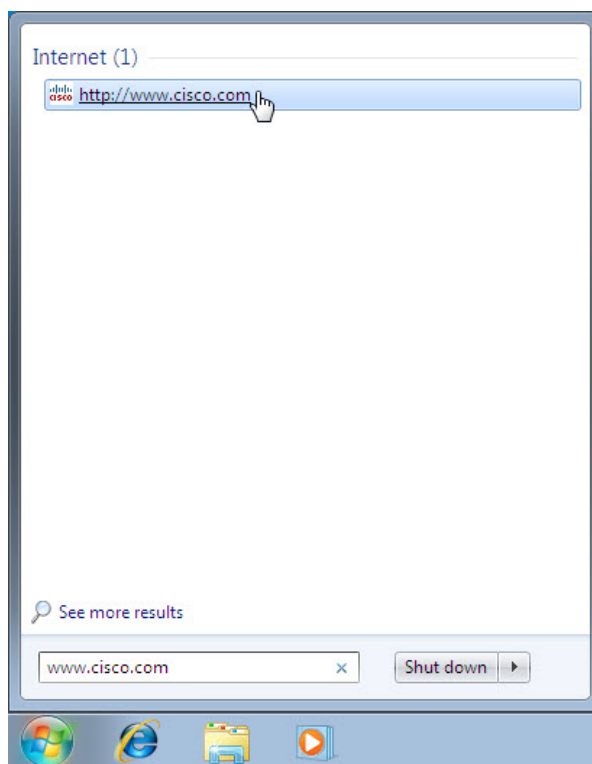
In this lab, you will configure browser settings in Microsoft Internet Explorer.

### Recommended Equipment

- A computer with Windows 7 and Vista installed
- An Internet connection

### Step 1: Setting Internet Explorer as the default browser

- Choose **Start > Search Programs and files** in Windows 7 or Choose **Start > Start Search** in Windows Vista. Type **www.cisco.com**, and click the link **http://www.cisco.com**.

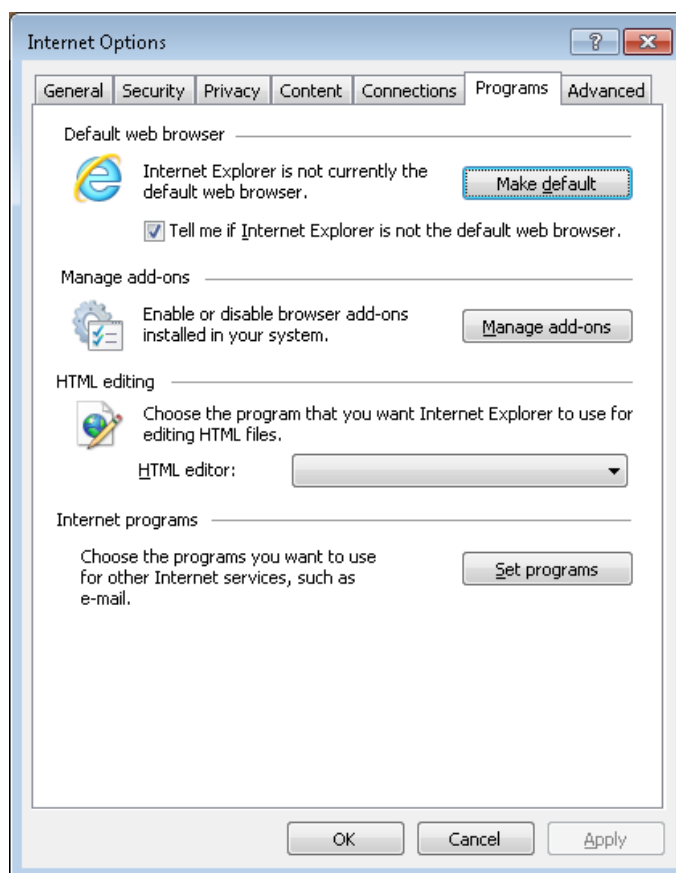


Which browser was used to open the web page?

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) Choose **Start > All Programs > Internet Explorer**.

- 2) Choose **Tools > Internet options**, and then click the **Programs** tab.

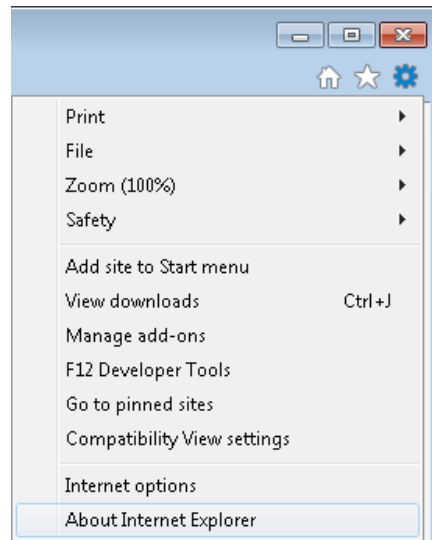


- 3) Select **Tell me if Internet Explorer is not the default web browser** and then click **OK**. Close the browser.
- 4) Choose **Start > All Programs > Internet Explorer**.
- 5) Click **Yes** to make Internet Explorer the default browser.

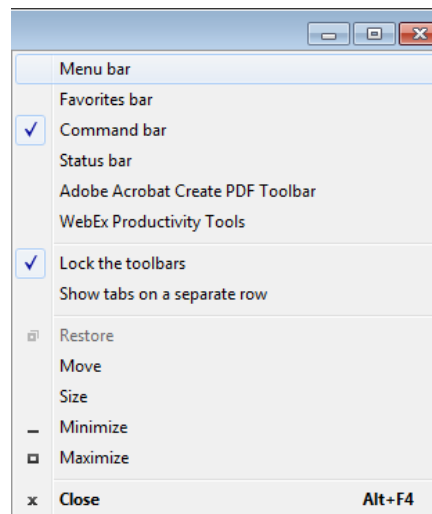
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- b. Click **Tools** (⚙️) at the top right hand corner of the window > **About Internet Explorer**.



If desired, right-click the title bar and select **Menu bar** to add the menu to Internet Explorer. Click **Help > About Internet Explorer**.

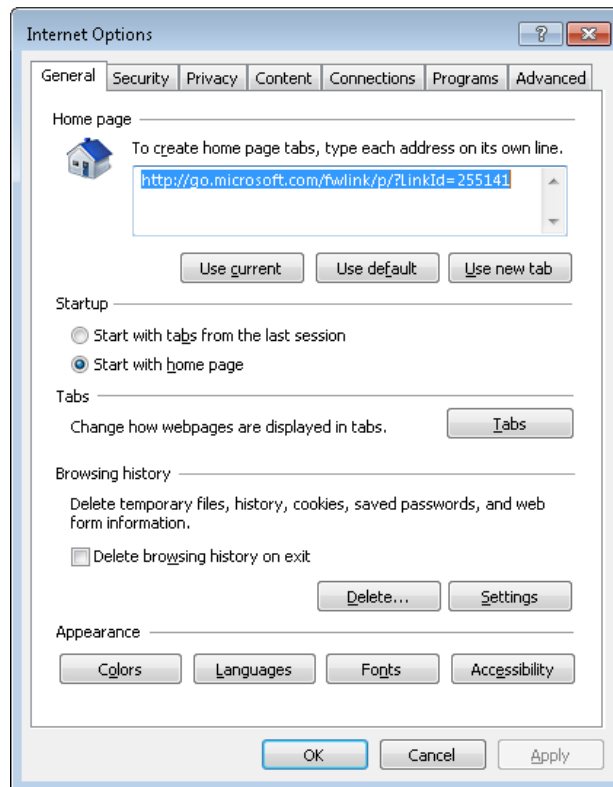


Which version of Internet Explorer is installed on your computer?

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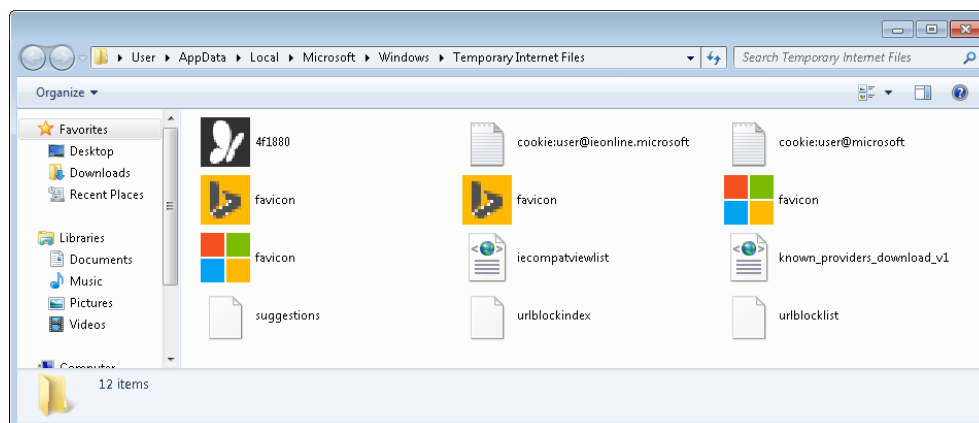
### Step 2: Clear Temporary Internet Files

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



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

**Note:** In Windows Vista the window is called **Temporary Internet Files and History Settings**.



How many temporary Internet files were listed?

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- c. Close the Temporary Internet Files window.

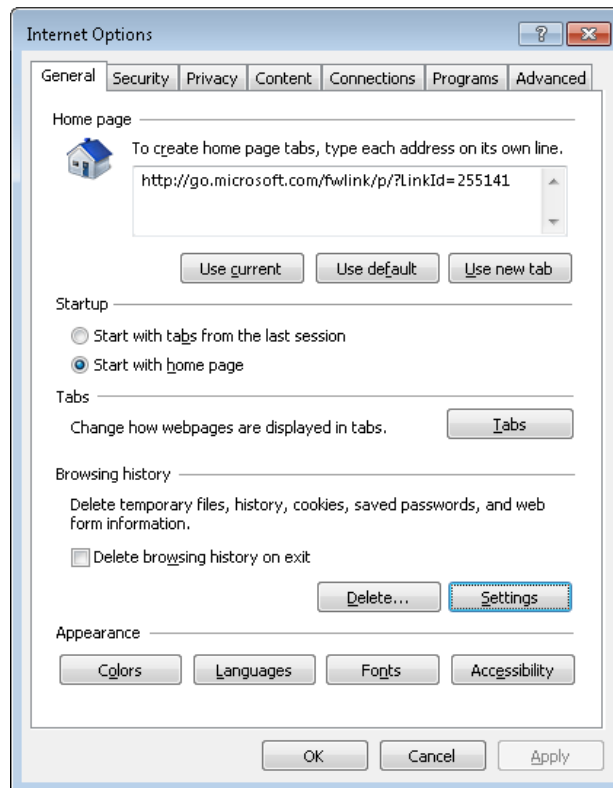
In the **Temporary Internet Files** tab or section, which setting is configured for **Check for newer versions of stored pages**?

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In the **History** tab or section, how many days is **History** set to store list of visited websites?

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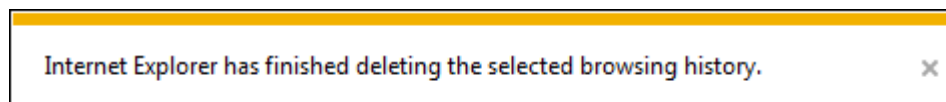
- d. Close the **Website Data Settings** or **Temporary Internet Files and History Settings** window.  
e. In the **Internet Options** window, click **Delete...** in the **General** tab to remove Internet browsing history.



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

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- 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:



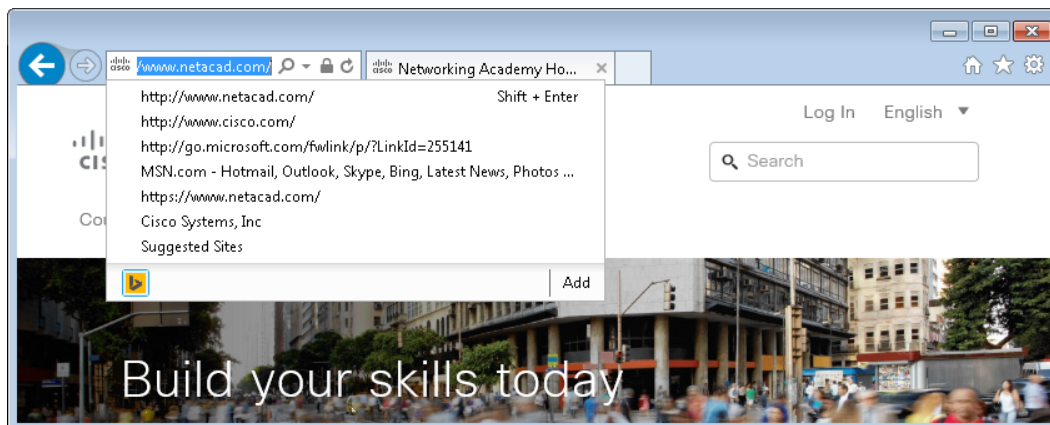
- g. Close all opened windows except for Internet Explorer.

### Step 3: Clear Internet Browsing History

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

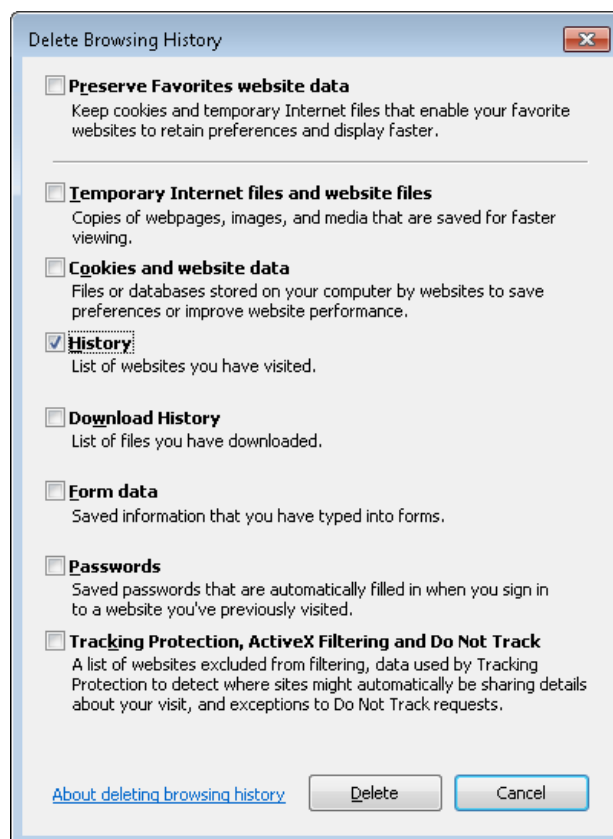
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- b. Click the **down** arrow at the right end of the **URL Address** field to view previously visited sites.



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

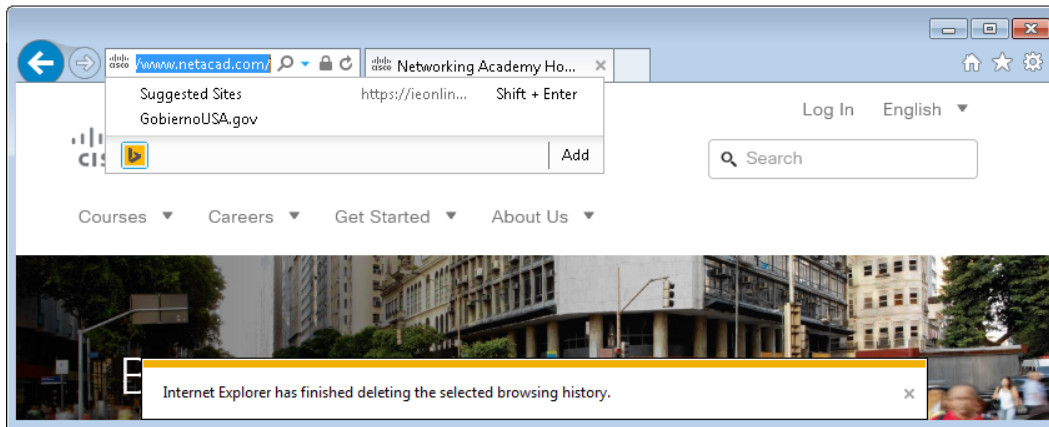
- c. To clear the browser history, choose **Tools > Internet options > Delete**. Uncheck all selected options except for **History**. Click **Delete**.



- d. Close all open windows except for Internet Explorer.

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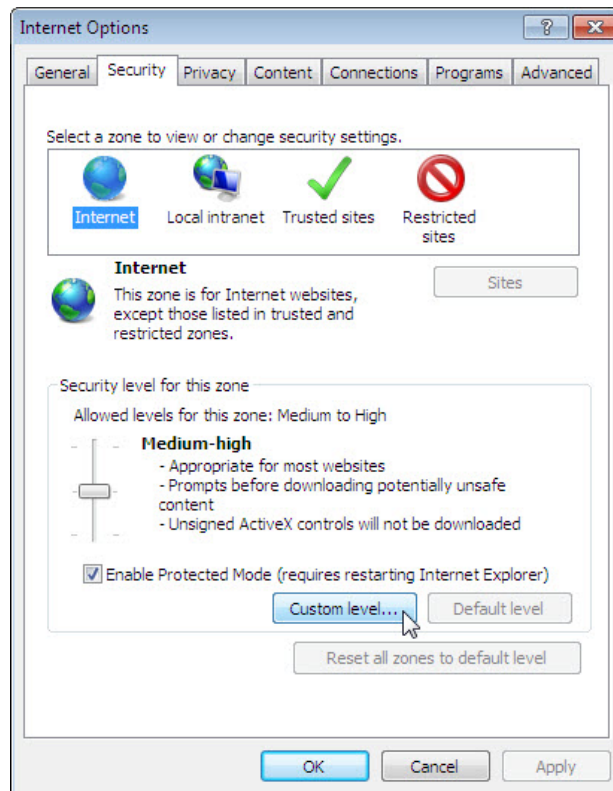
- e. When completed, click the **down** arrow at the right end of the **address** field to view previously visited sites.



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

### Step 4: Configure the Security Settings

- Open Internet Explorer as necessary.
- Choose **Tools > Internet Options**, and then click the **Security** tab.



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

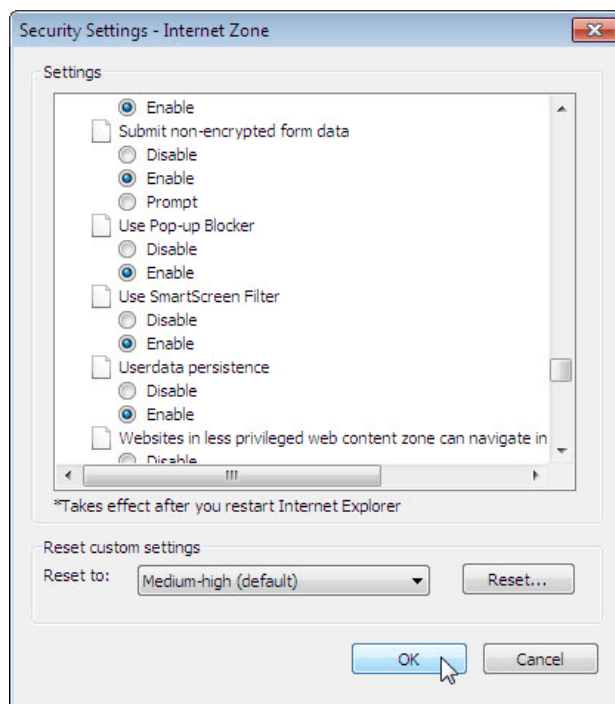
**Internet:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Local intranet:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Trusted sites:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Restricted sites:** \_\_\_\_\_

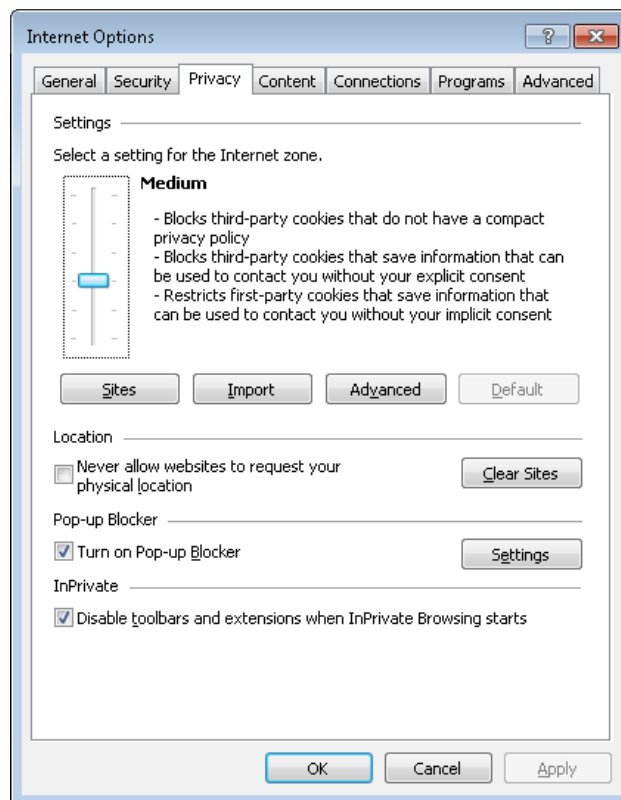
- d. Click **Custom level....** In this window, you can select the options in the list that you wish to change for a zone. Click **Cancel** to close this window.





### Step 5: Configure Privacy Settings

- a. Open Internet Explorer if necessary. Click **Tools > Internet options** and select the **Privacy** tab. Click **Advanced** to open the **Advanced Privacy Settings** window.



- 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?

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