



SpoilerAlert: User Manual

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Introduction to SpoilerAlert

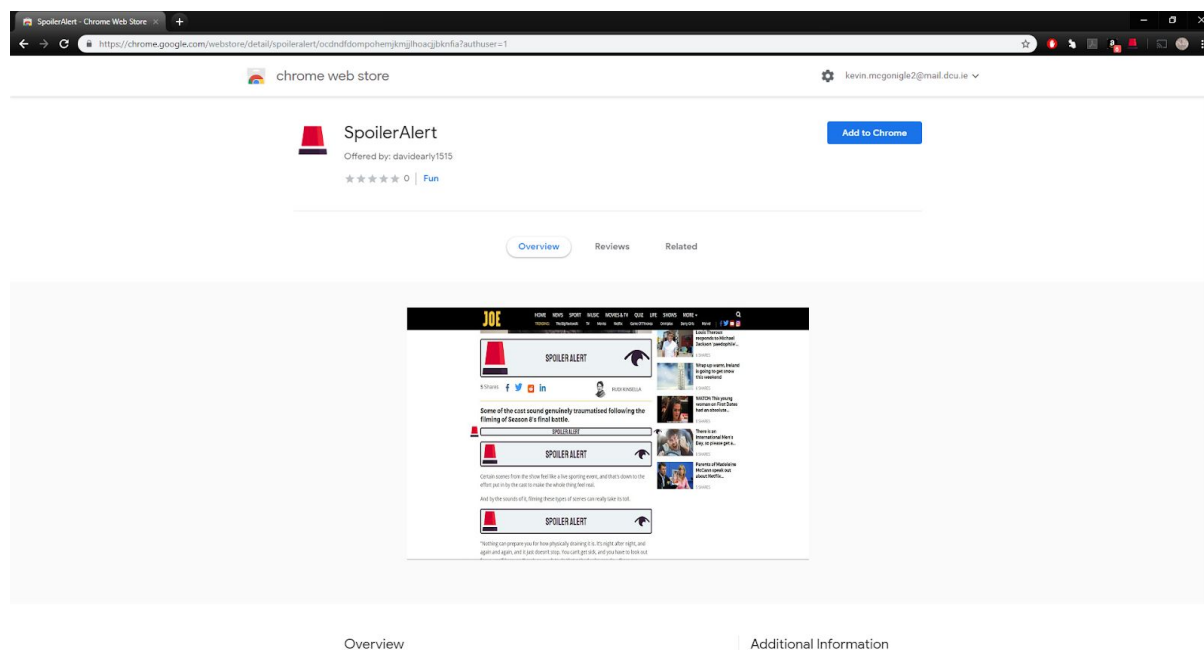
SpoilerAlert is a Google Chrome Extension designed to hide text-based “spoilers” found in a web page¹ for the popular HBO television series, Game of Thrones.

Installing SpoilerAlert

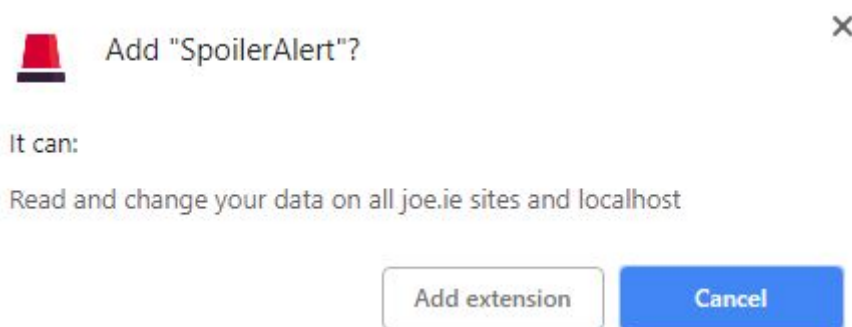
In order to install SpoilerAlert to Google Chrome, visit

<https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/spoileralert/ocdndfdompohemjkmjilhoacjibknfia>.

You will be brought to the page below.



Clicking “Add to Chrome” will display the following pop-up. Click “Add-extension” to proceed and install SpoilerAlert as an extension to your Google Chrome application.



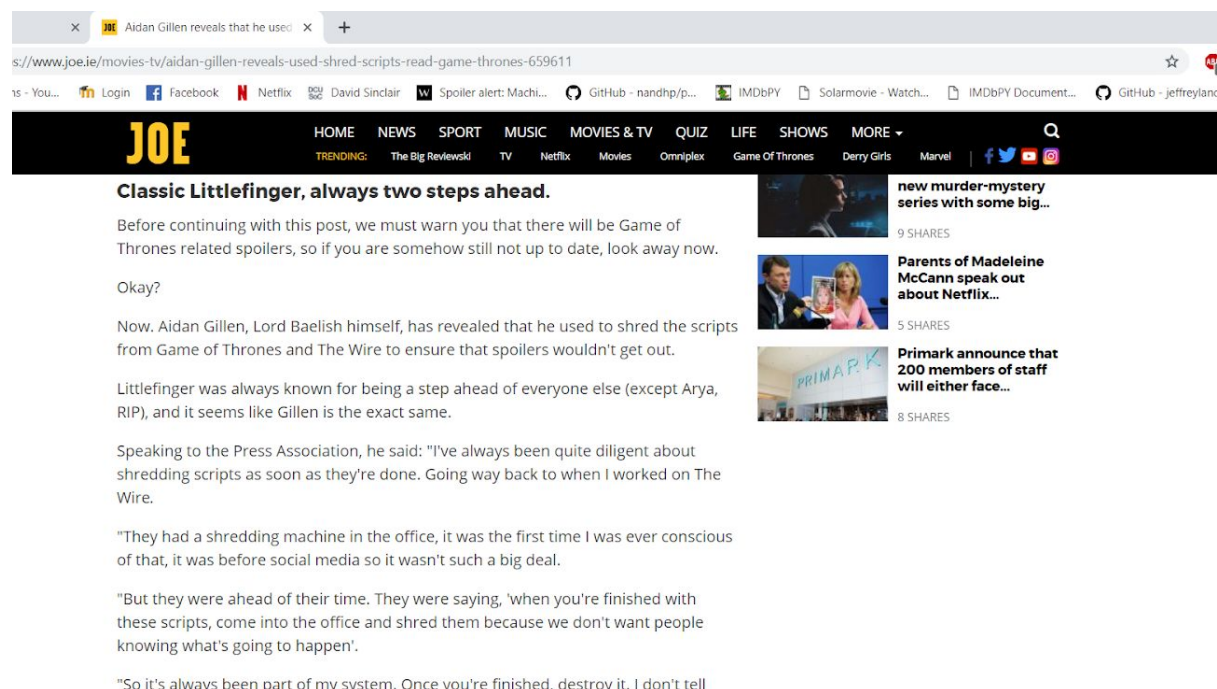
¹ At present, SpoilerAlert is only capable of operating on web pages on the joe.ie website.

Using SpoilerAlert

Automatic Spoiler Blocking

SpoilerAlert will automatically scan the web page you are currently on, locate potential spoilers and subsequently hide these spoilers using an overlay.

For example, below is a screenshot of an article from Joe.ie containing spoilers about the fate of Littlefinger over the course of the show. Upon examination of the text, it is clear that there are phrases that would spoil the show for someone who is not up to date.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL [s://www.joe.ie/movies-tv/aidan-gillen-reveals-used-shred-scripts-read-game-thrones-659611](https://www.joe.ie/movies-tv/aidan-gillen-reveals-used-shred-scripts-read-game-thrones-659611). The page is from Joe.ie and features a navigation bar with links to HOME, NEWS, SPORT, MUSIC, MOVIES & TV, QUIZ, LIFE, SHOWS, and MORE. The main article is titled "Classic Littlefinger, always two steps ahead." and discusses how Aidan Gillen, who played Lord Baelish in Game of Thrones, revealed that he used to shred scripts to prevent spoilers. The article includes several paragraphs of text and a sidebar with other news items.

Classic Littlefinger, always two steps ahead.

Before continuing with this post, we must warn you that there will be Game of Thrones related spoilers, so if you are somehow still not up to date, look away now.

Okay?

Now, Aidan Gillen, Lord Baelish himself, has revealed that he used to shred the scripts from Game of Thrones and The Wire to ensure that spoilers wouldn't get out.

Littlefinger was always known for being a step ahead of everyone else (except Arya, RIP), and it seems like Gillen is the exact same.

Speaking to the Press Association, he said: "I've always been quite diligent about shredding scripts as soon as they're done. Going way back to when I worked on The Wire.

"They had a shredding machine in the office, it was the first time I was ever conscious of that, it was before social media so it wasn't such a big deal.

"But they were ahead of their time. They were saying, 'when you're finished with these scripts, come into the office and shred them because we don't want people knowing what's going to happen'.

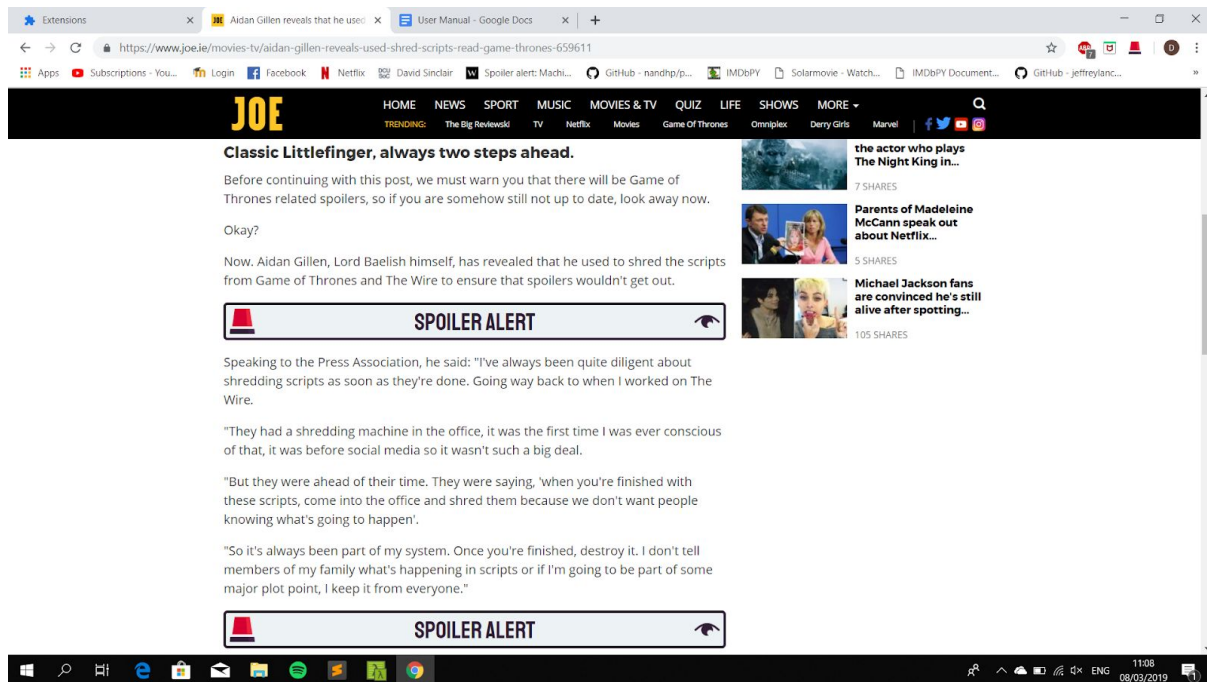
"So it's always been part of my system. Once you're finished, destroy it. I don't tell

new murder-mystery series with some big...
9 SHARES

Parents of Madeleine McCann speak out about Netflix...
5 SHARES

Primark announce that 200 members of staff will either face...
8 SHARES

SpoilerAlert will automatically analyse this page while it is being loaded and place overlays over the text that it determines to contain a spoiler. The result of this is displayed below.

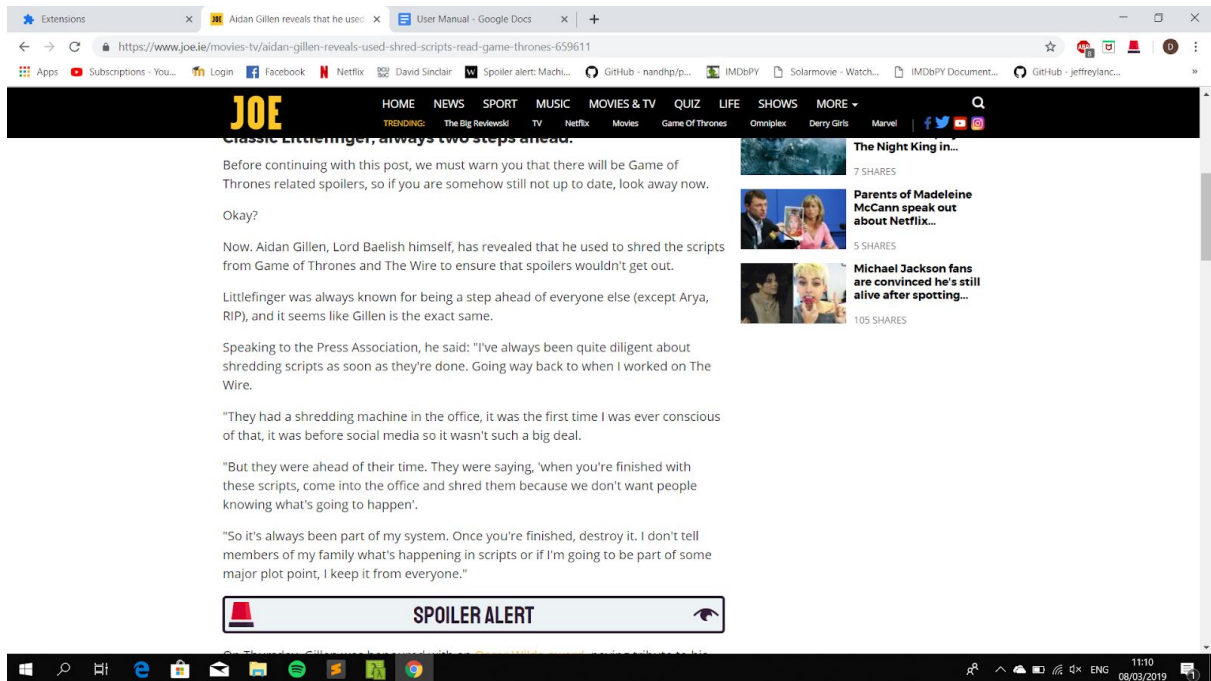


Revealing an Individual Spoiler

Should you wish to reveal the text that has been hidden beneath an overlay, this can be achieved by clicking the reveal button (i.e. The "eye" icon on the right-hand side of the overlay).



The following image shows this feature, using the same example as above. Here, the user has chosen to hide the topmost overlay by clicking the reveal button. The overlay has been removed and the text beneath is revealed.



Revealing All Spoilers

If you wish to remove all overlays on a page in one go, this can be done by first clicking the extension's icon, found in the top-right corner of the Google Chrome browser, to the right of the search bar. The following popup will be displayed.



Clicking the “Remove Blocking” button will remove all overlays that currently reside on the web page, revealing all spoilers that were previously hidden.