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What Is a PDF File?

How to open, edit, and convert PDF files

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What to Know

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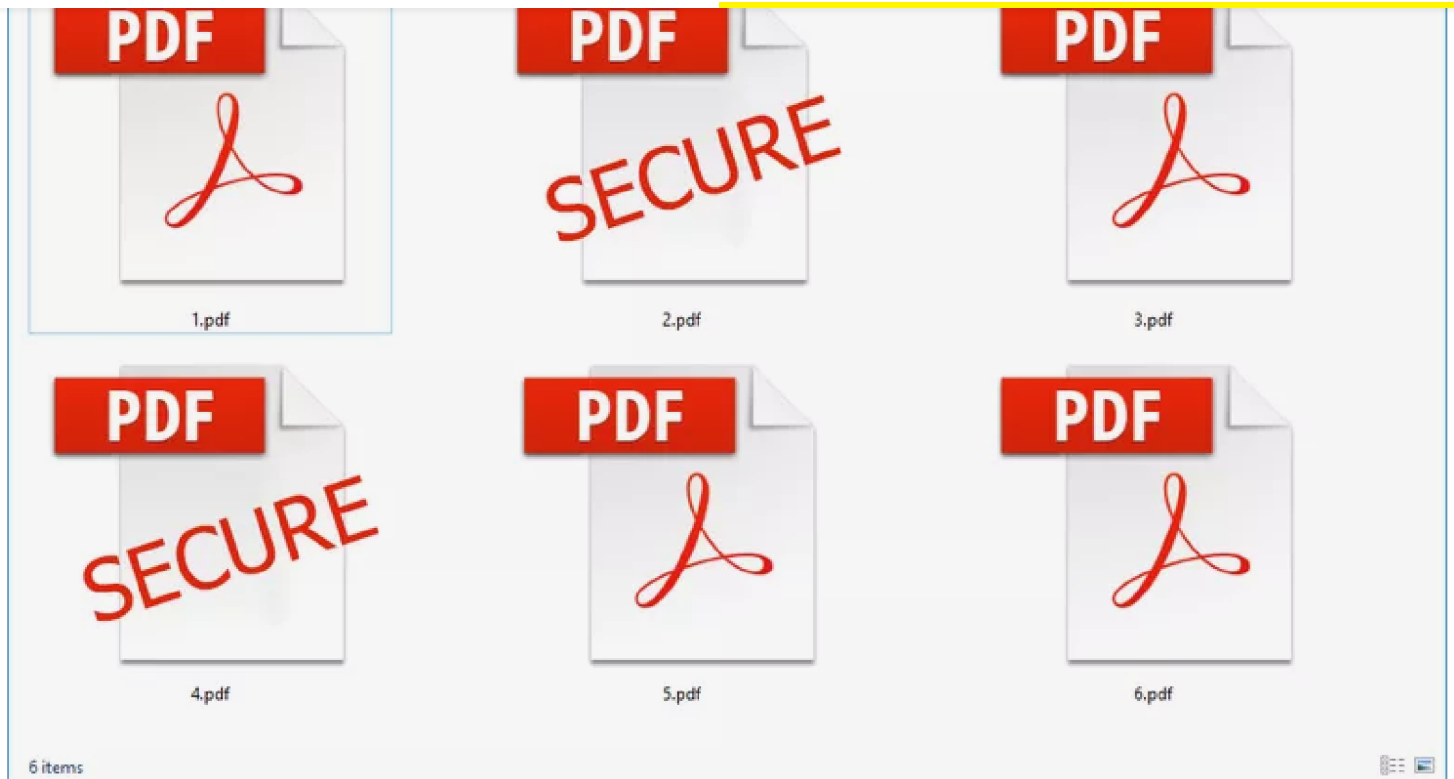
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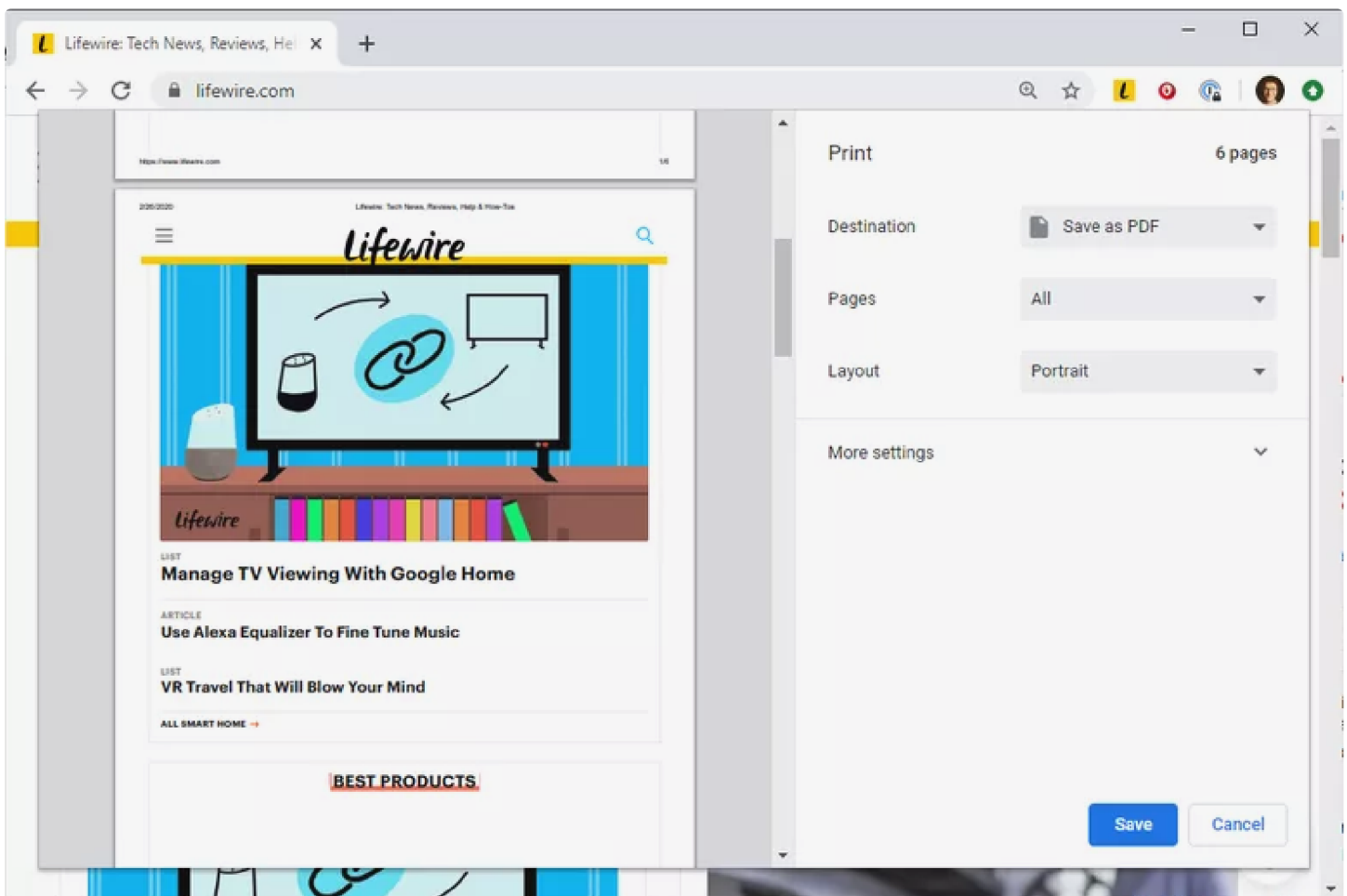

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