Setting Up Cisco Packet Tracer Account and Installing Cisco Packet Tracer

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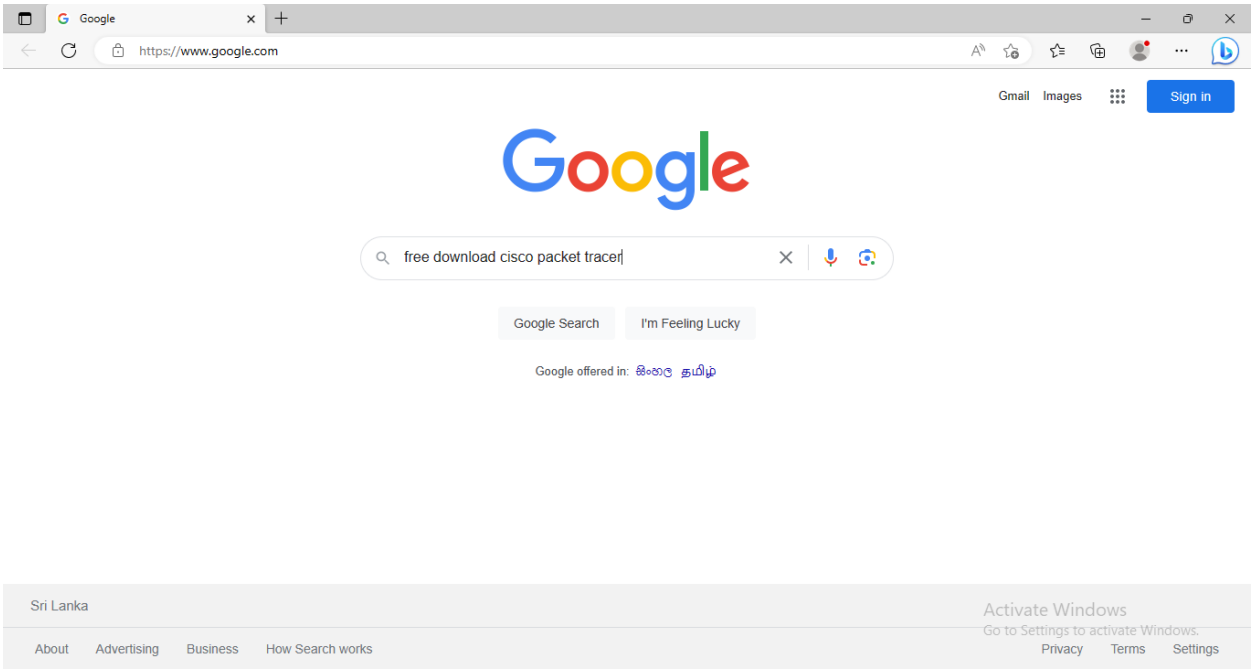
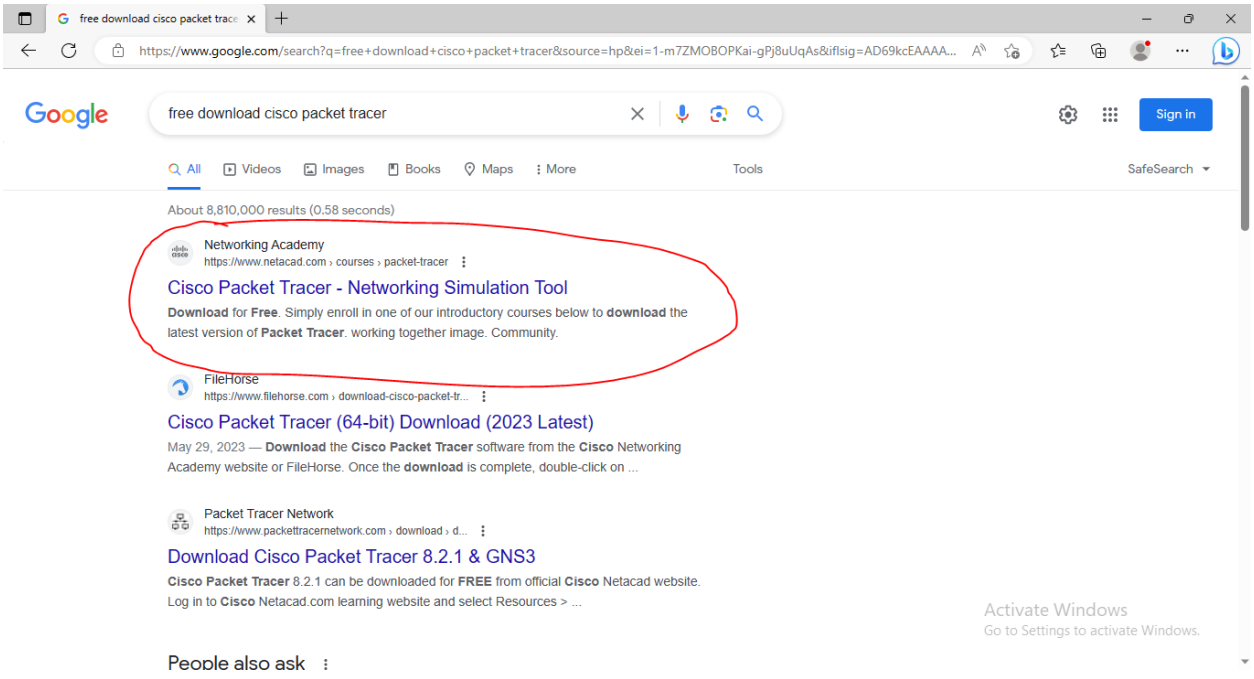


Click on the first search results which links to netacad.com official website, or click here to directly go to the website.



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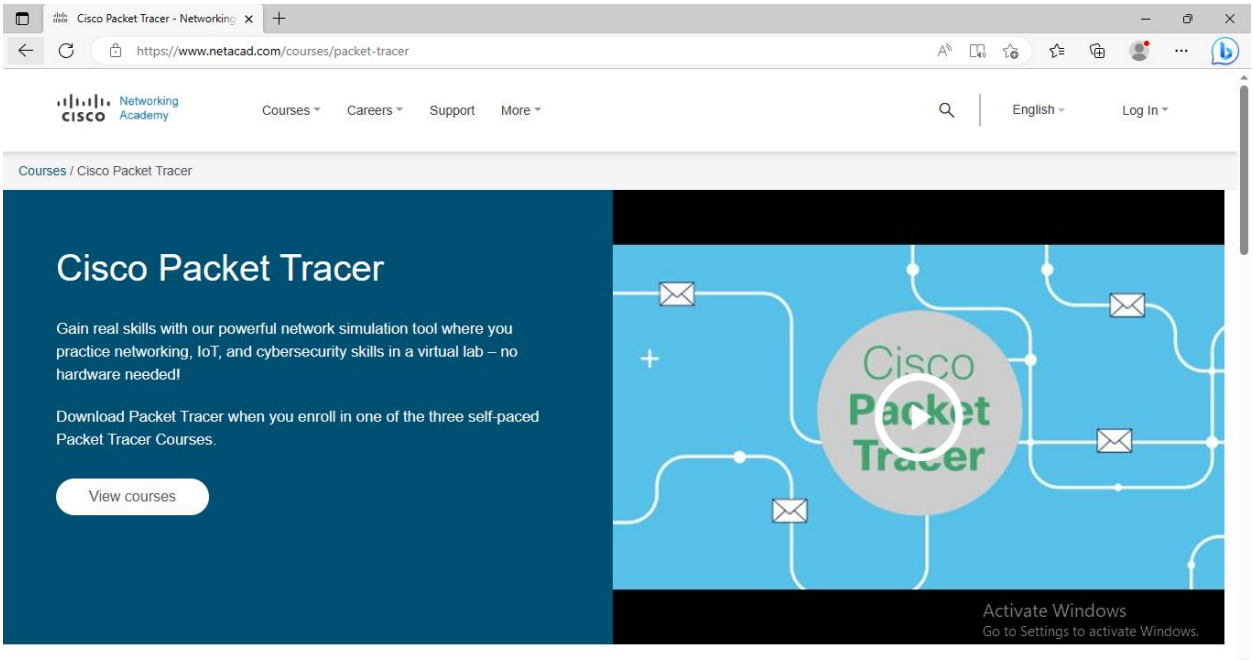
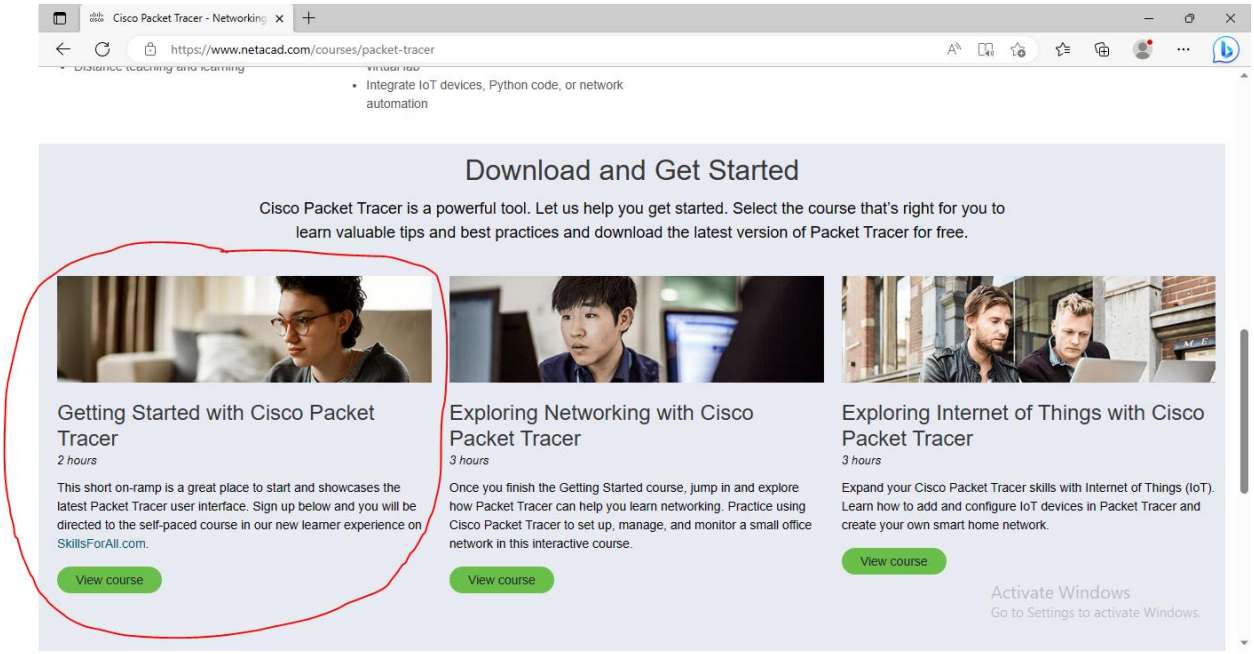
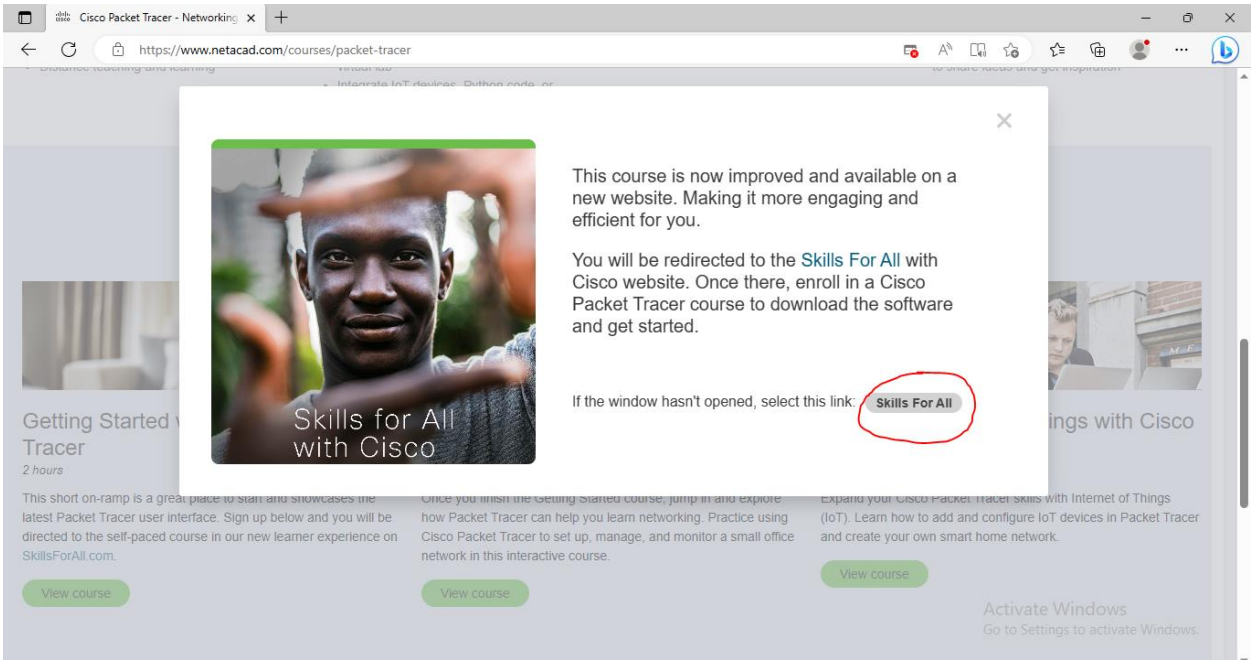


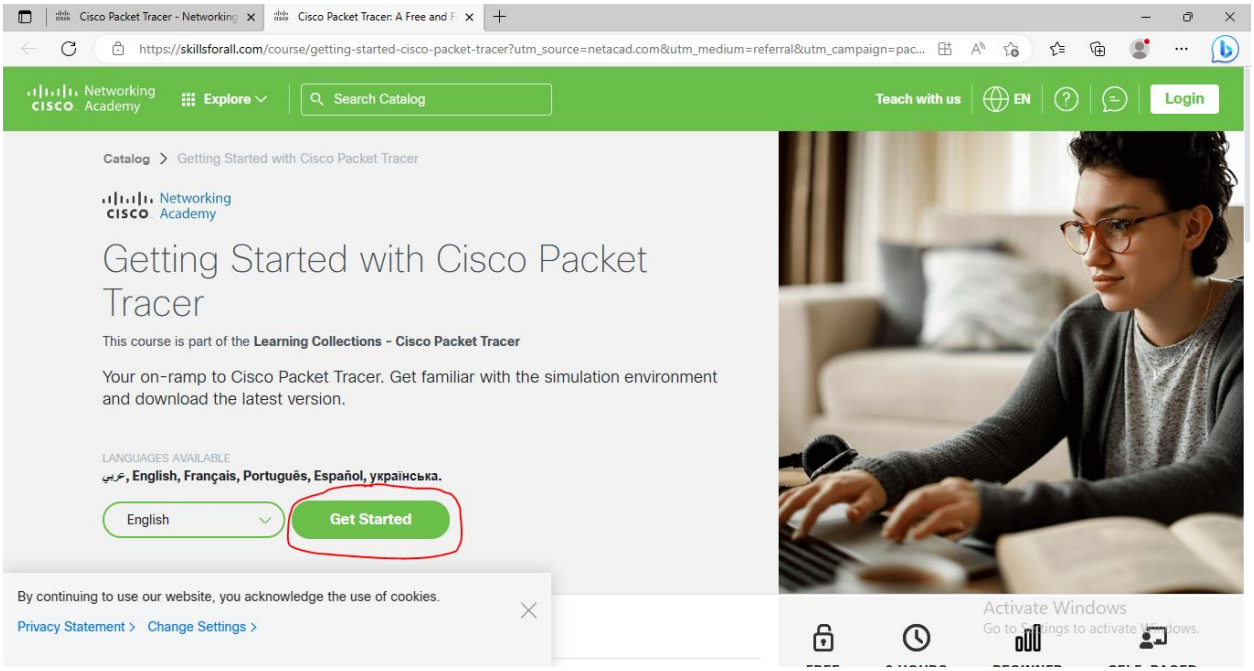
Scroll down the webpage and find “Getting Started with Cisco Packet Tracer” course, which is listed under “Download and Get Started” section. Then click on “View course” button which appears in green color under that course.



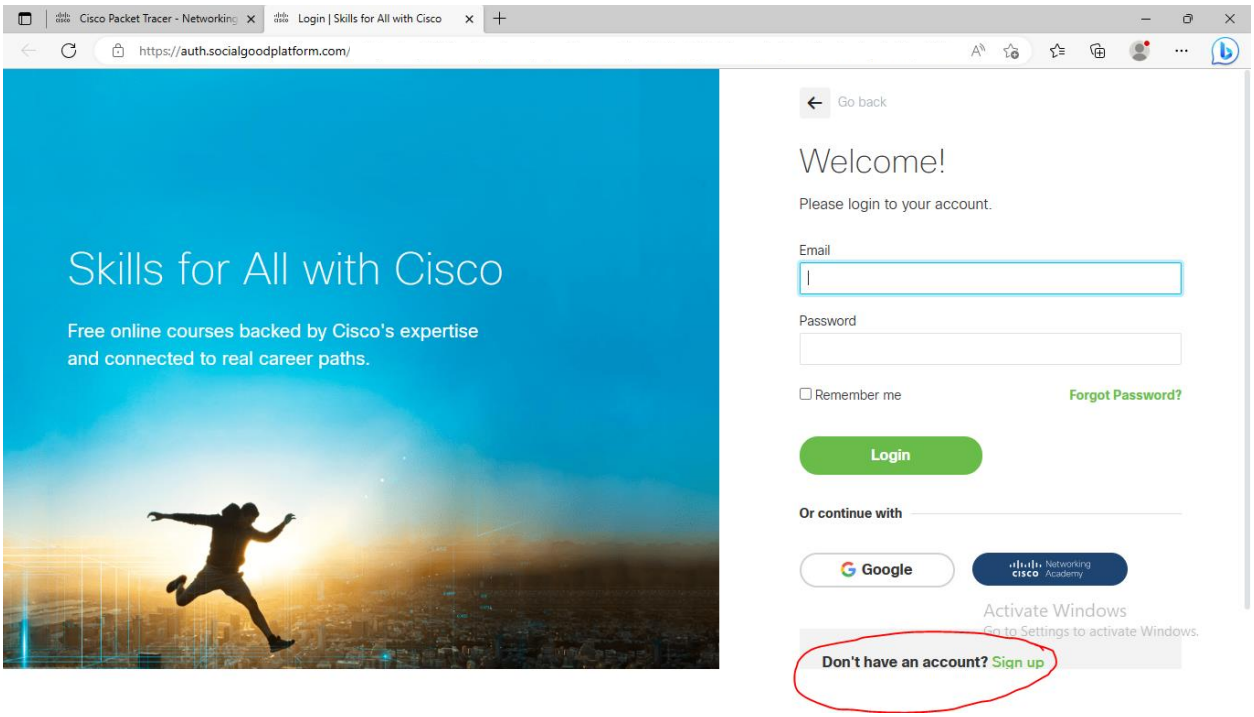
Sometimes it will open a new web page which redirects for “Skills For All” section. If a new web page does not open automatically, you will get a pop-up as follows. Click on the “Skills For All” button in the pop-up.



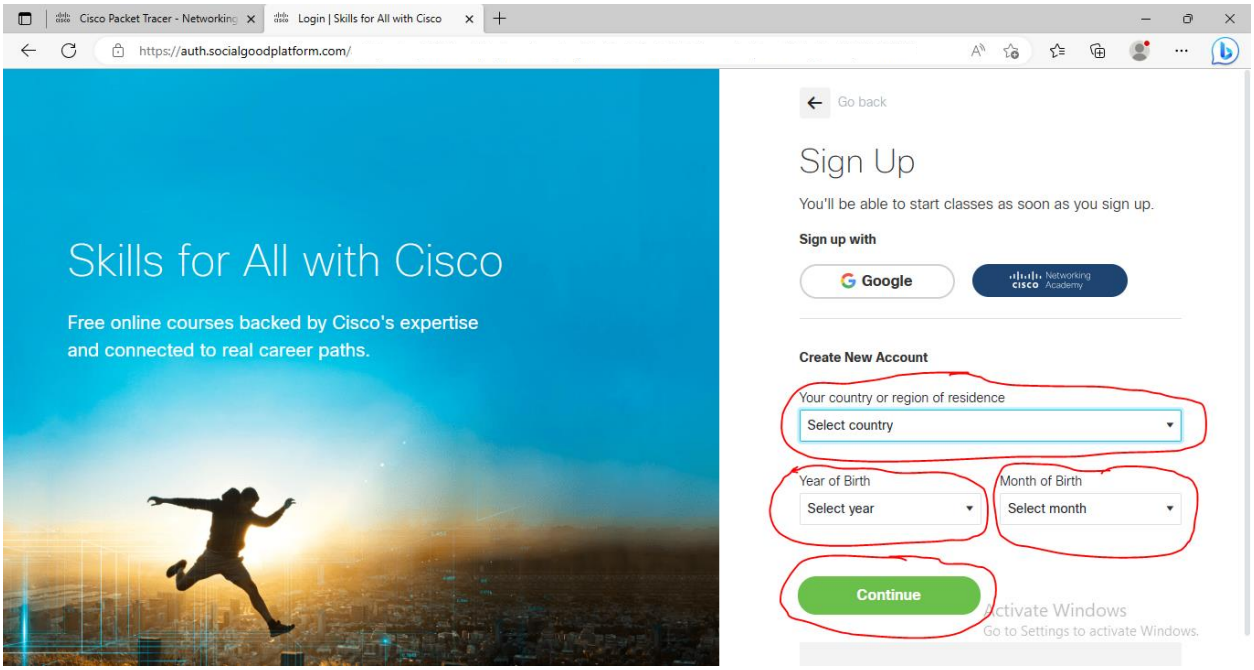
A new tab will open in your browser automatically and you will be directed to the following web page. Select your language preference to continue the course and click on “Get Started” button which appears in green color.



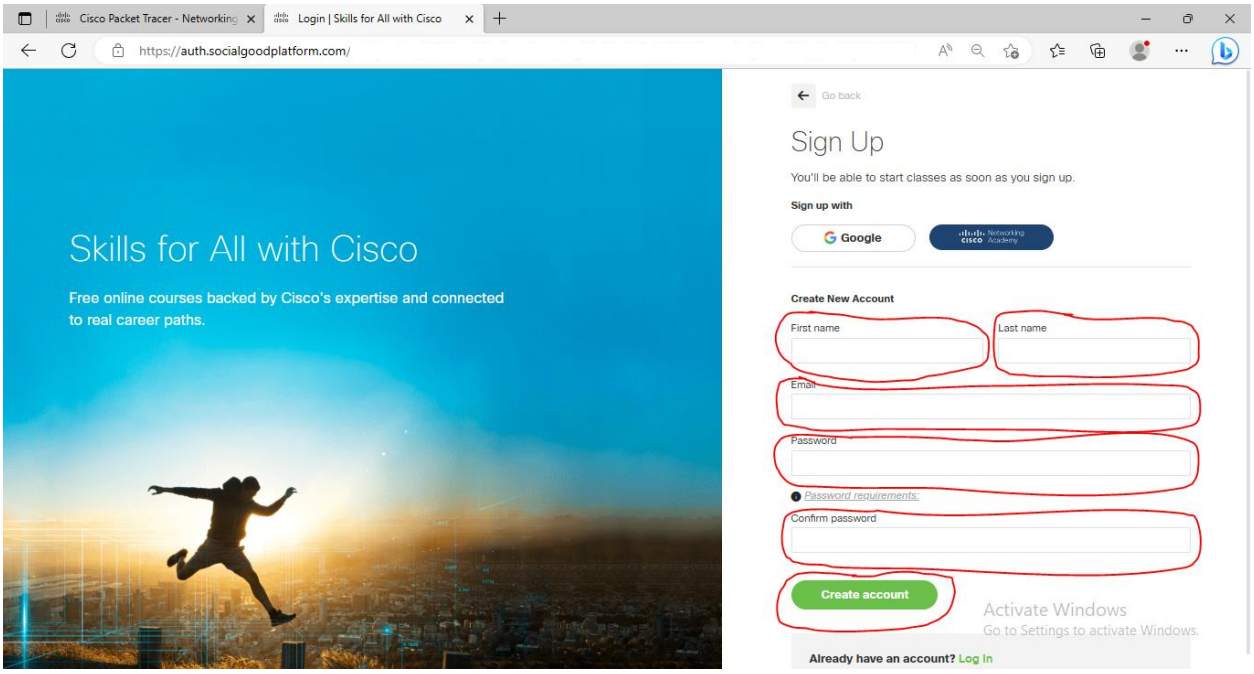
You will be directed to a new web page as follows. If you already have a CISCO Skills For All account, you can login using those credentials or if you don't have an account, you can create a new account by clicking on the "Sign up" link which appears in green color at the bottom of the page after the phrase "Don't have an account?".



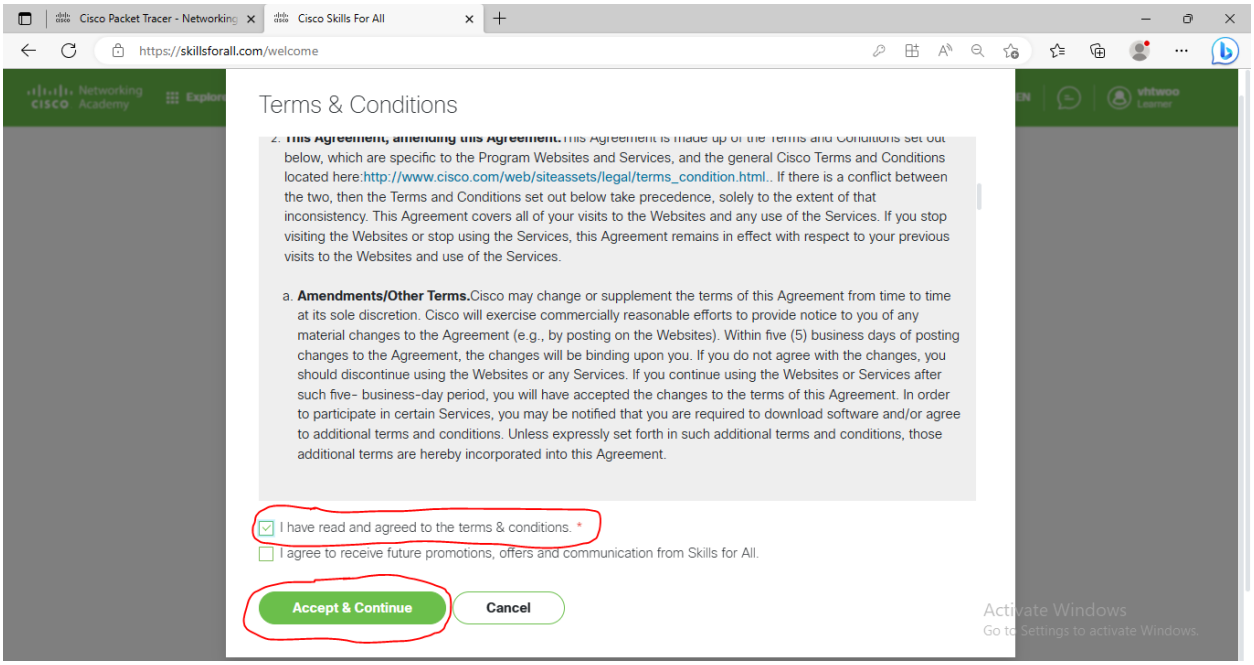
You will be prompted to fill the sign up information. Select your country, Year of Birth and Month of Birth in the form appeared in the window. After completing those information, click on the “Continue” button which appears in green color.



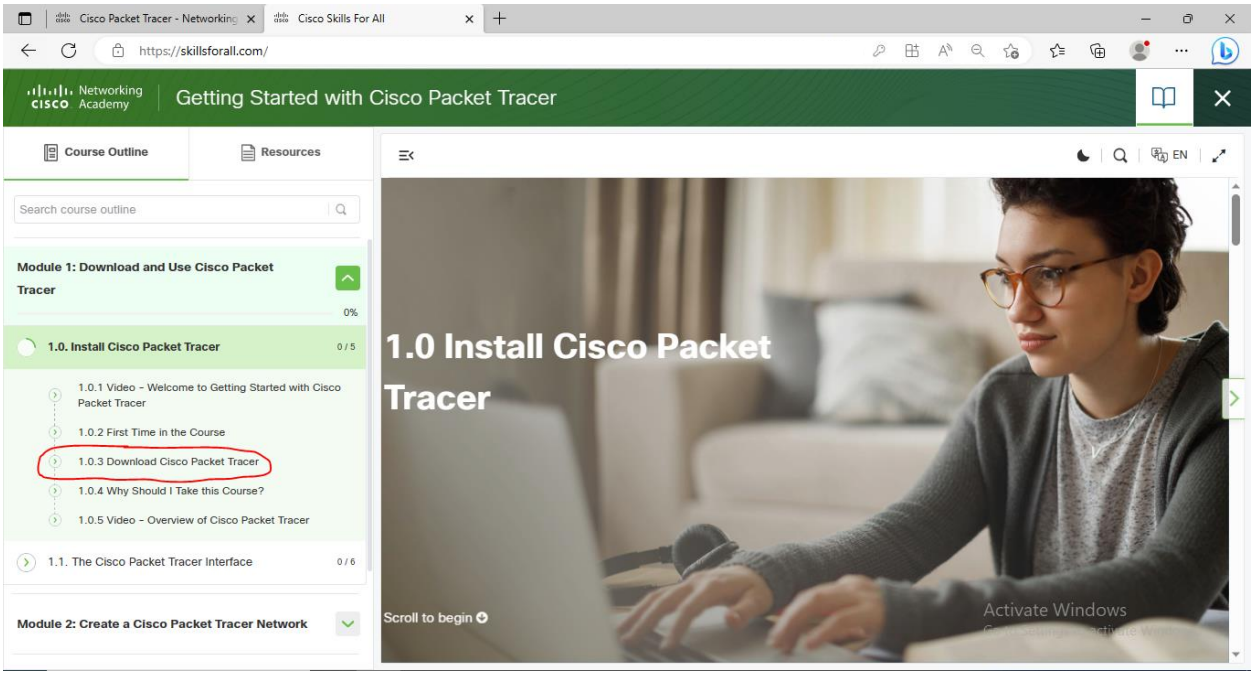
In the next page, provide your First name, Last name, Email, Password and Confirm password. After filling those information, click on “Create account” button which appears in green color.



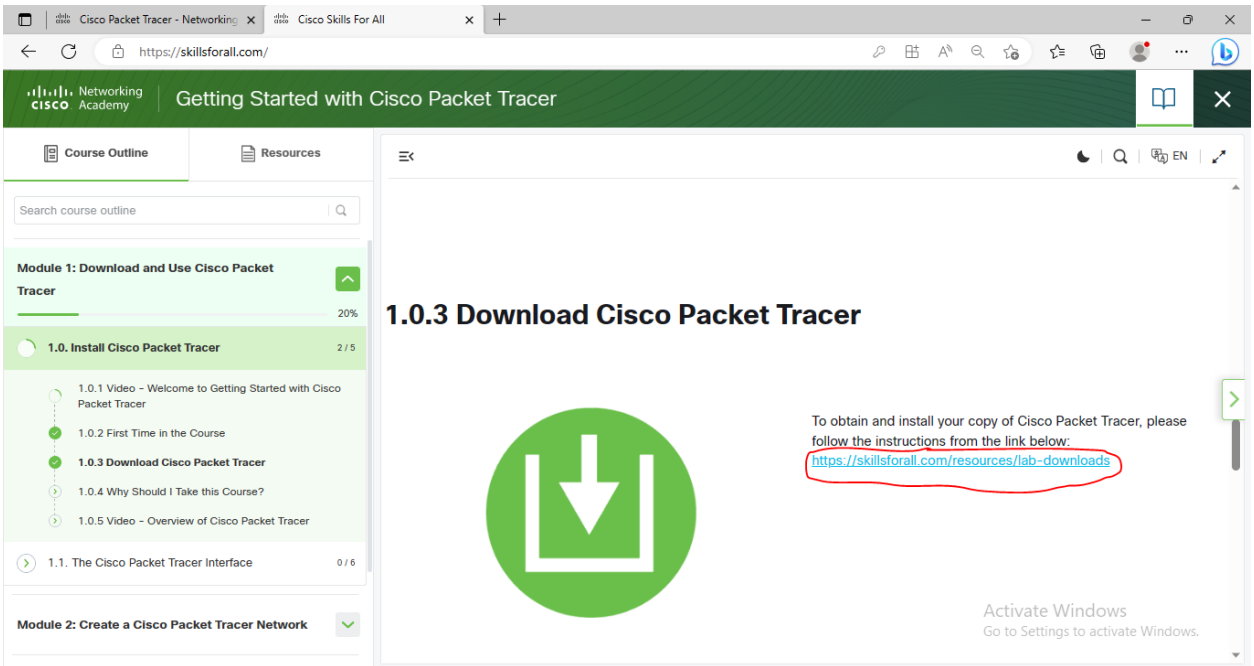
A pop-up will appear and you have to check on the check box mentioning that “I have read and agreed to the terms & conditions”. You can also check on the check box mentioning that “I agree to receive future promotions, offers and communication from Skills for All”. This will enable the email notifications. But checking this check box is not necessary to proceed. After checking the check boxes, click on “Accept & Continue” button which appears in green color at the bottom of the pop-up screen.



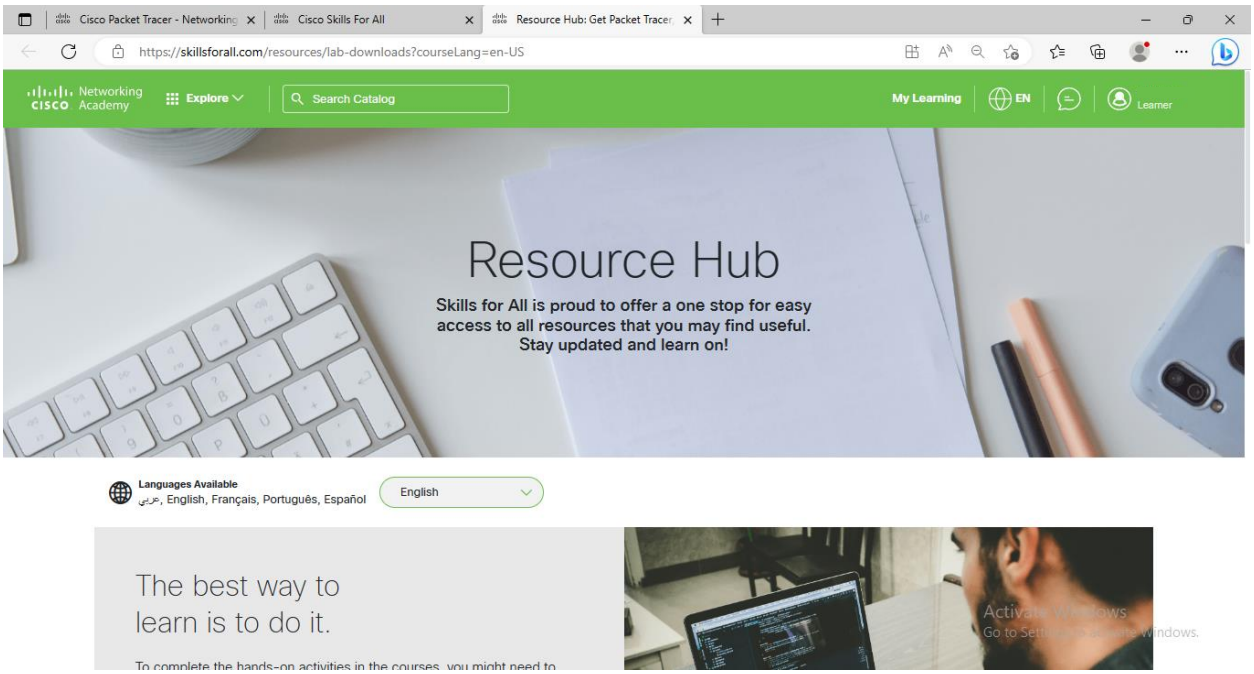
Now you have completed setting up your CISCO Skill for All account. You will be directed to the following web page. Click on “1.0.3 Download Cisco Packet Tracer” link which appears under “1.0. Install Cisco Packet Tracer” title in the left side of the web page.



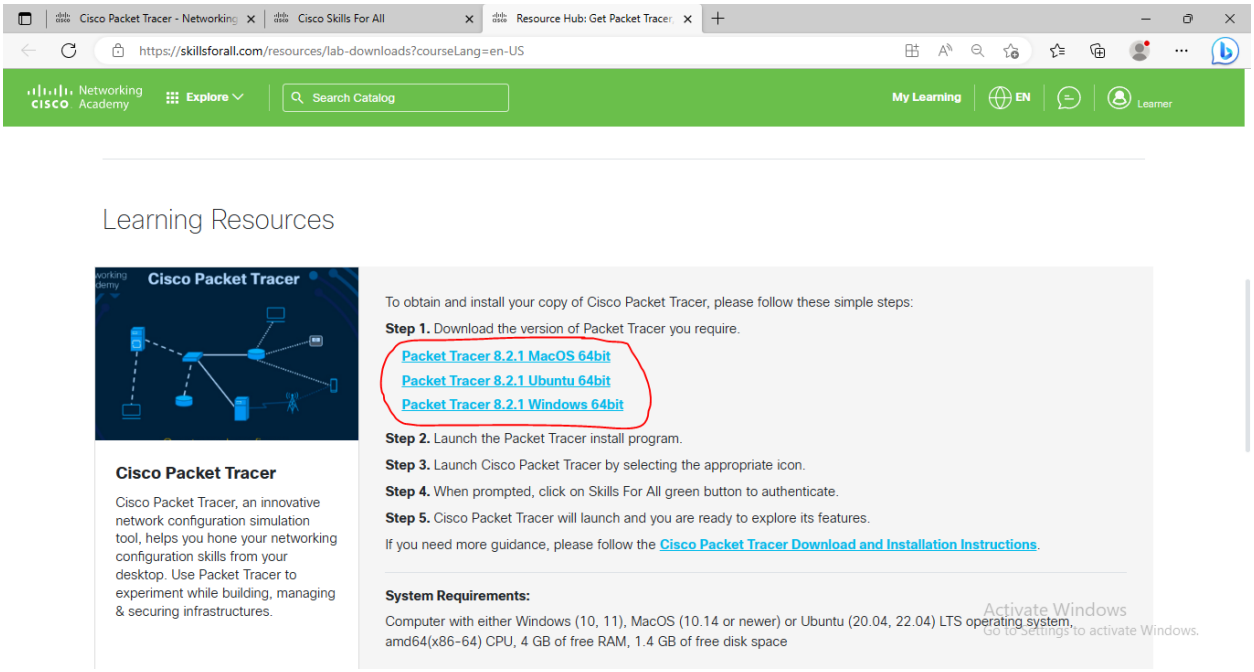
Click on the link appearing in the right side of the web page under the “1.0.3 Download Cisco Packet Tracer” title.



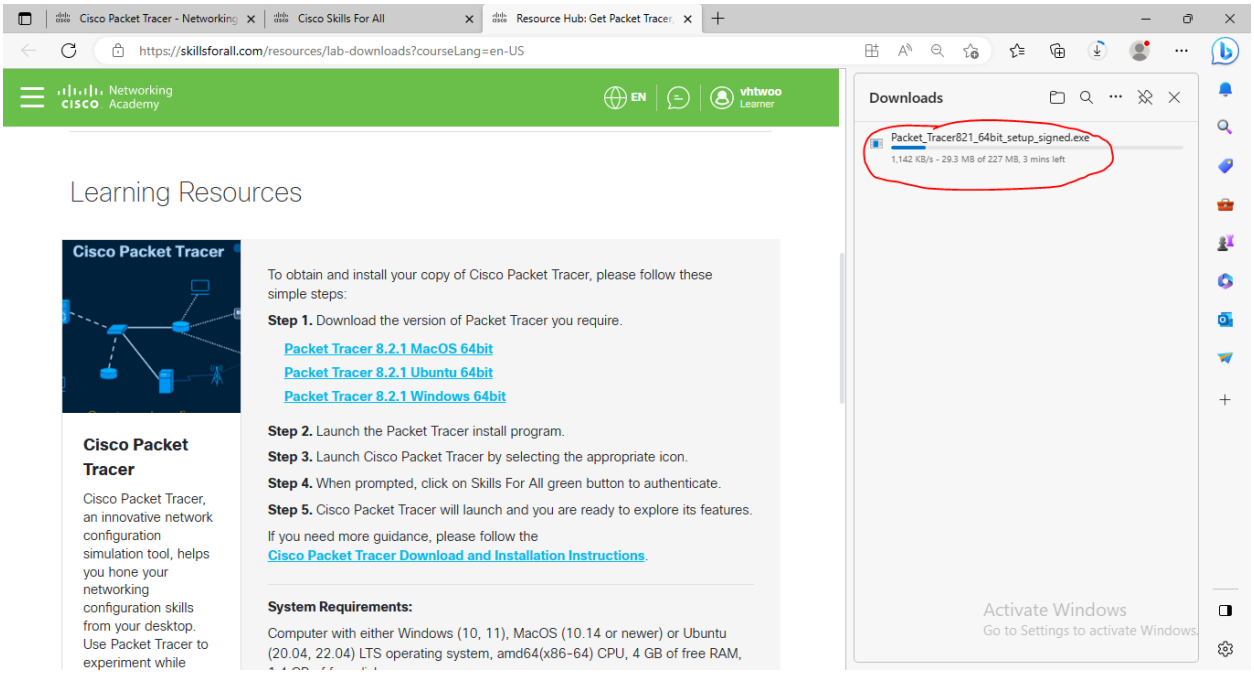
A new tab will open in the web browser and you will be directed to the “Resource Hub” web page.



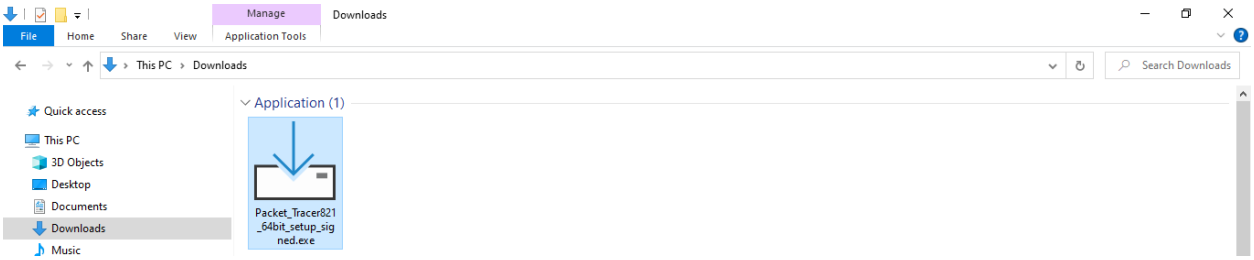
Scroll down the web page to find download links to latest versions of Cisco Packet Tracer software for various operating systems, as shown in the following image.



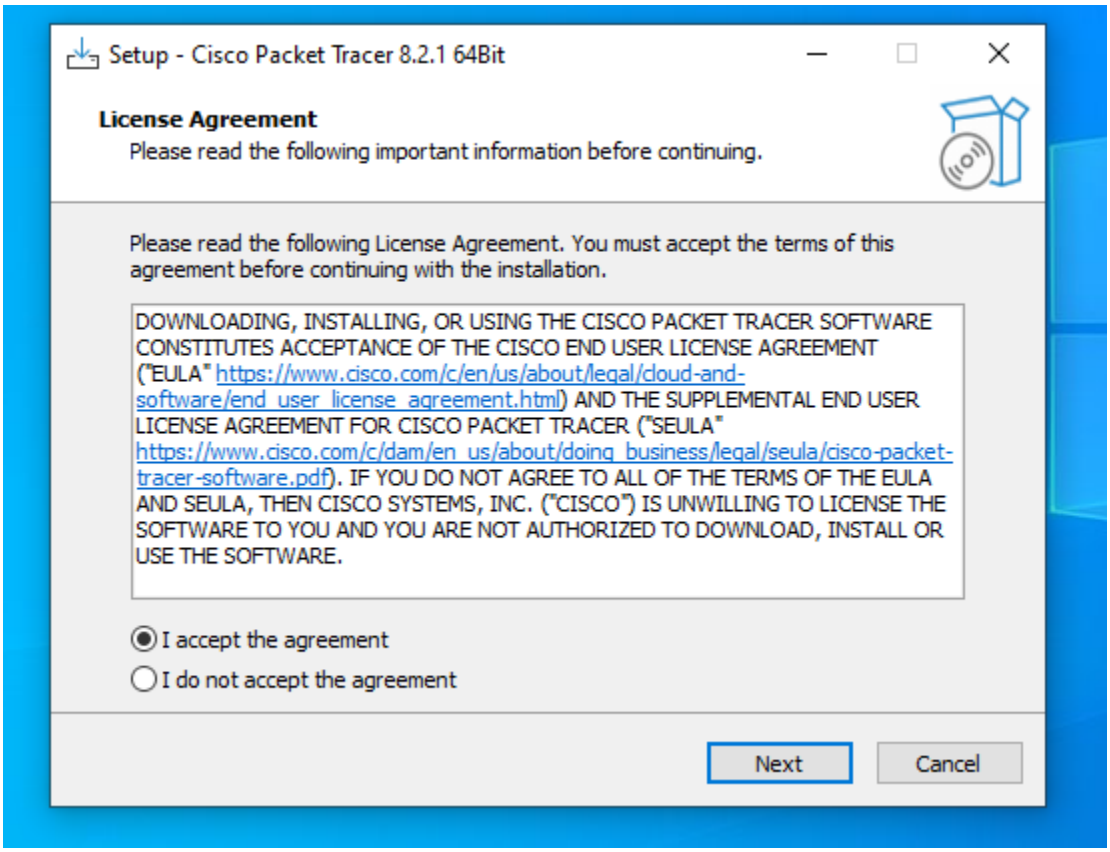
Click on the relevant link according to your operating system and the setup fill will automatically start downloading.



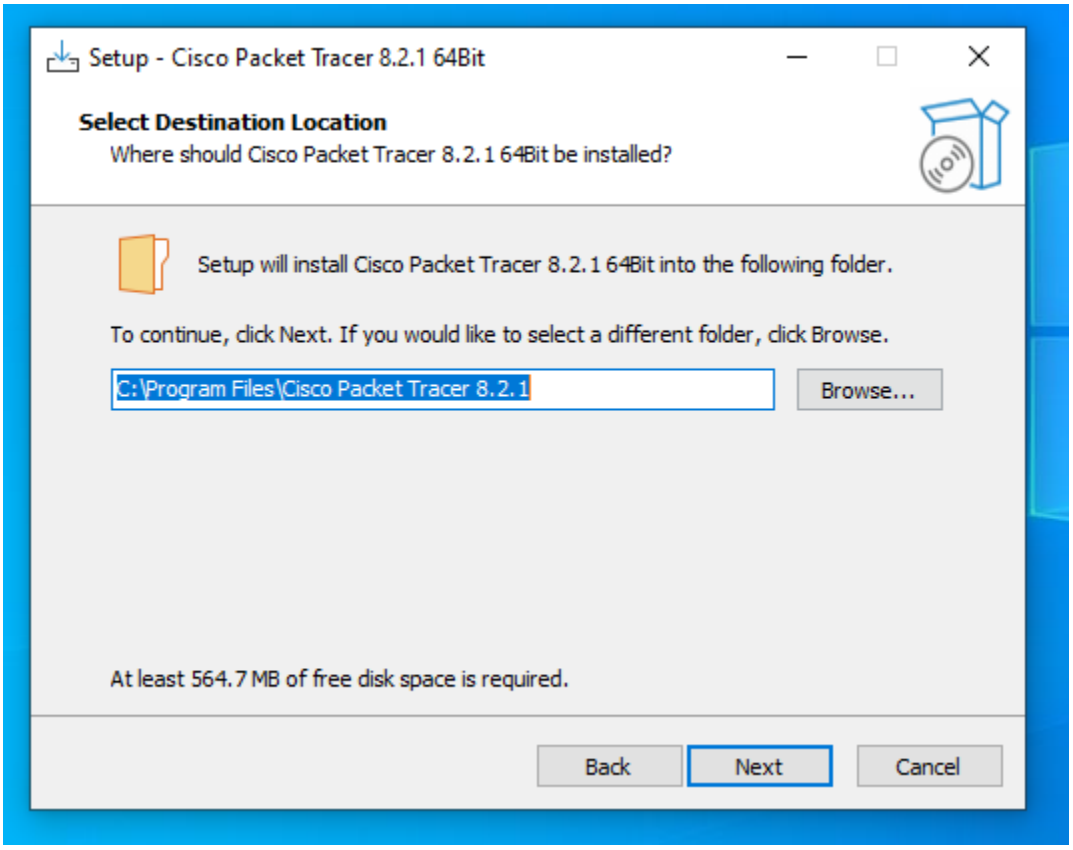
After completing the download, go to the Downloads folder and double click on the Packet Tracer setup file. Click on “Yes” if you get a pop-up by the operating system, asking whether you want to run this exe file and install the program.



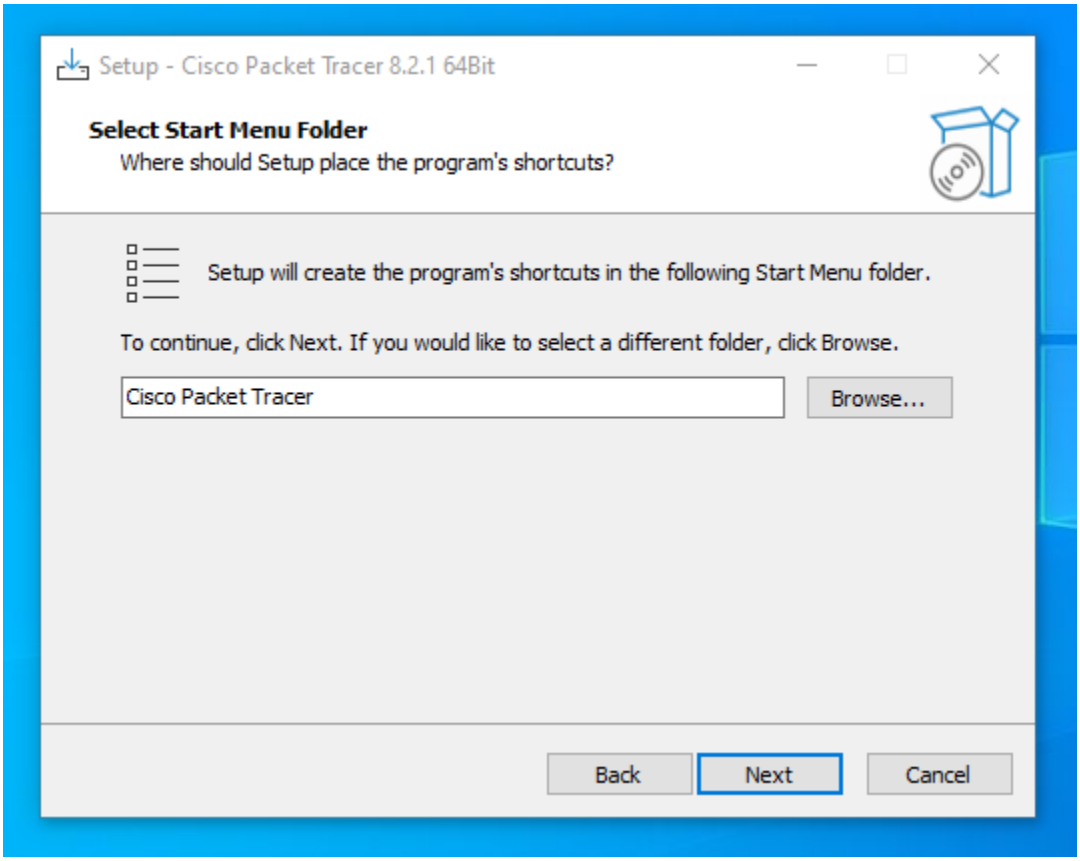
Select “I accept the agreement” and click on “Next” button.



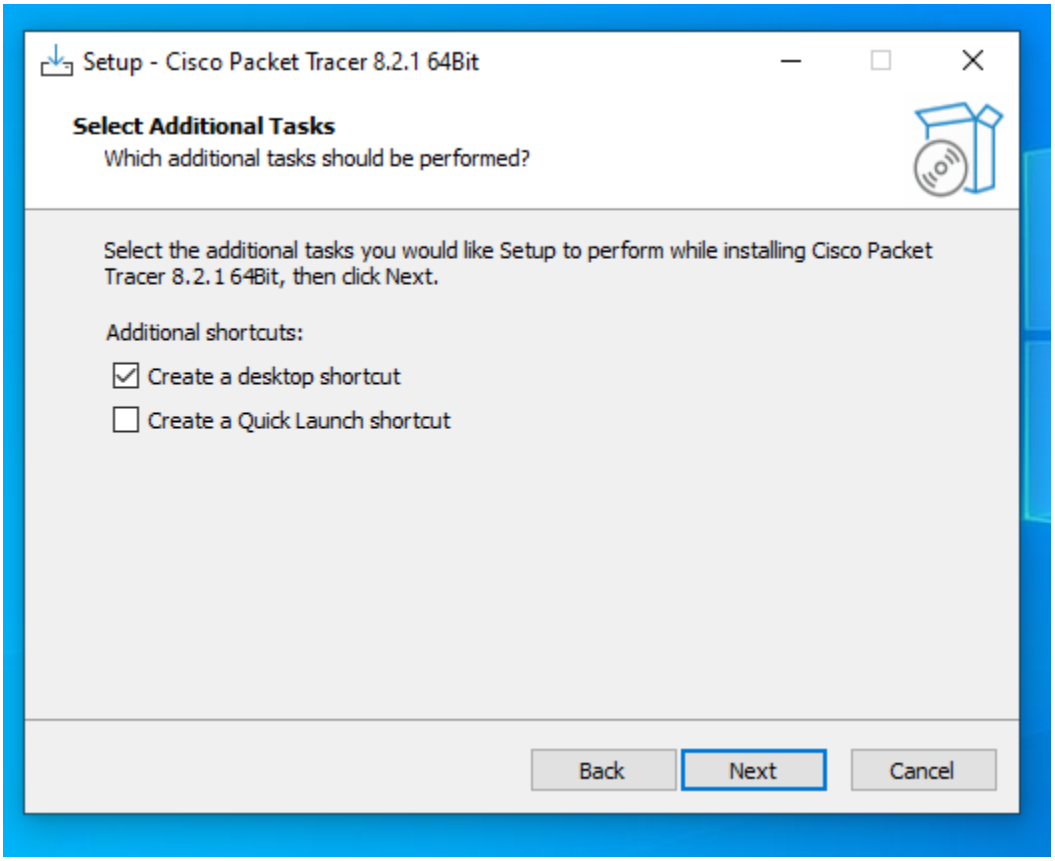
In the next step, you will be asked to choose the installation location of the software. You can change the default installation location by clicking the “Browse…” button and selecting your desired installation location. If not, you can proceed with the default installation location and click on “Next” button.



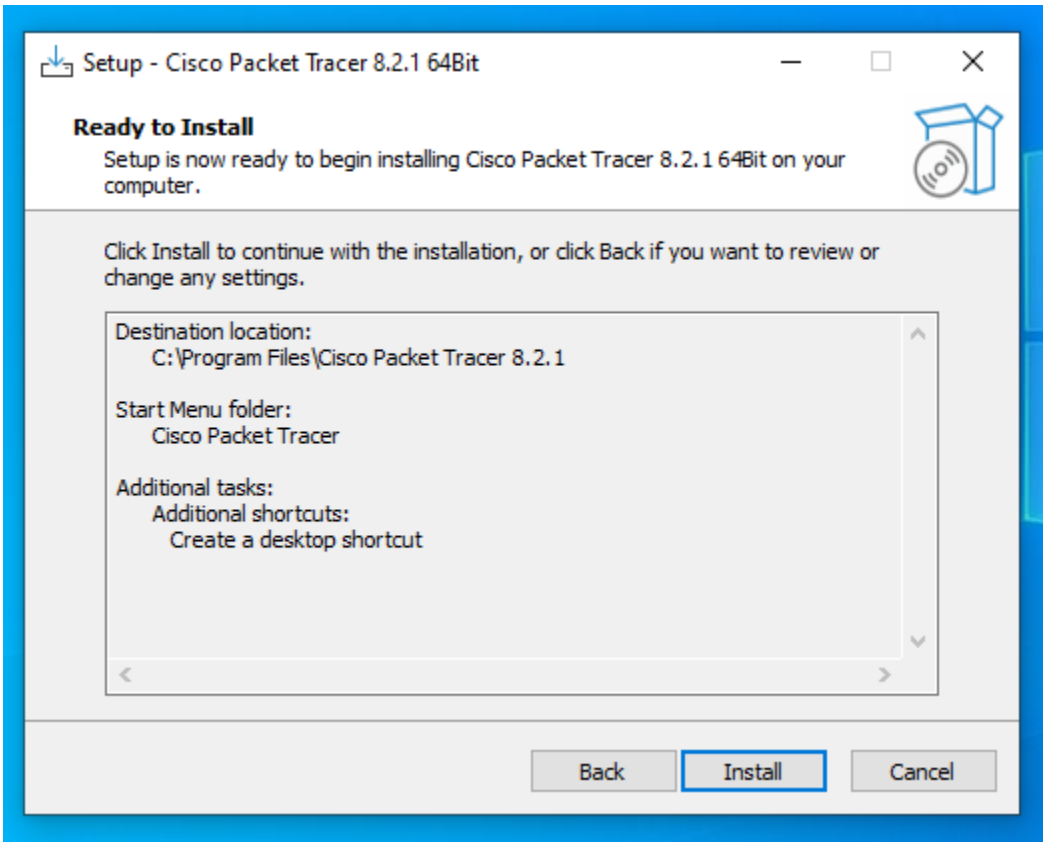
In the next step, you will be asked to select the start menu folder that you want to install Cisco Packet Tracer software. You can change the folder by clicking on “Browse…” button or you can proceed with the default folder and continue by clicking “Next” button.



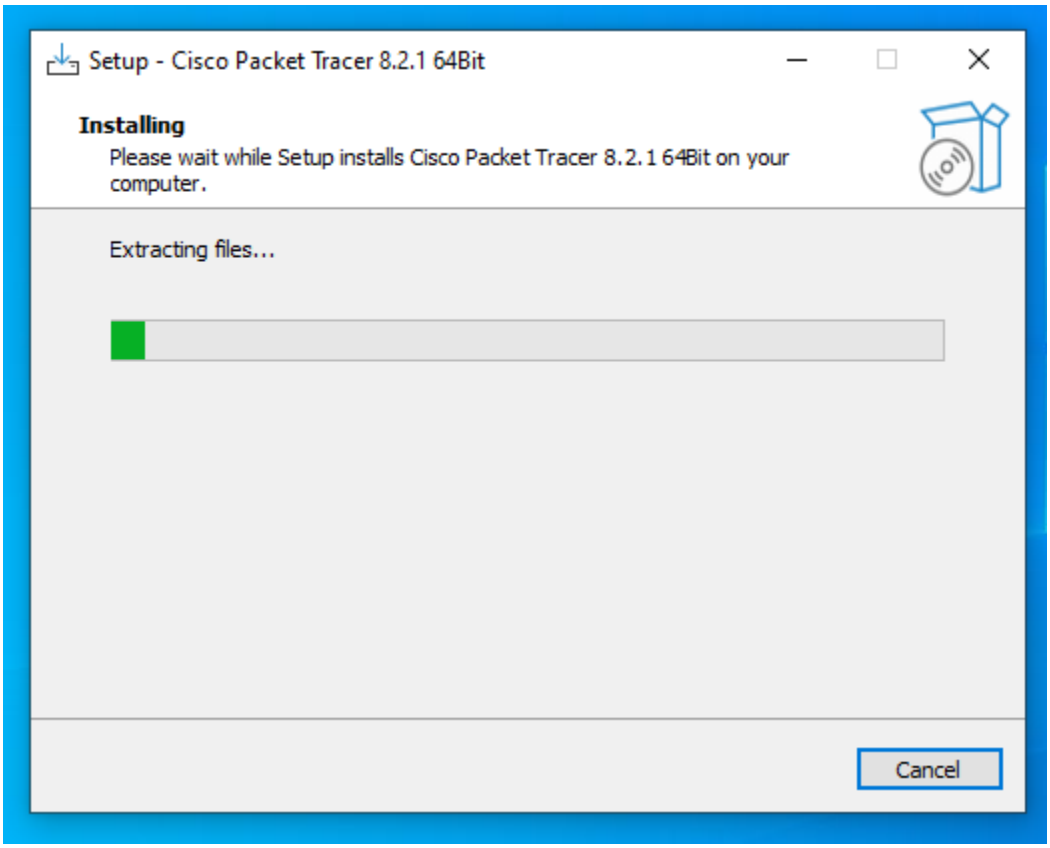
In the next step, you will be asked whether you want to create a Desktop shortcut and a Quick launch shortcut. You can check and uncheck the check box options according to your preferences or keep the default options and click on “Next” button to proceed.



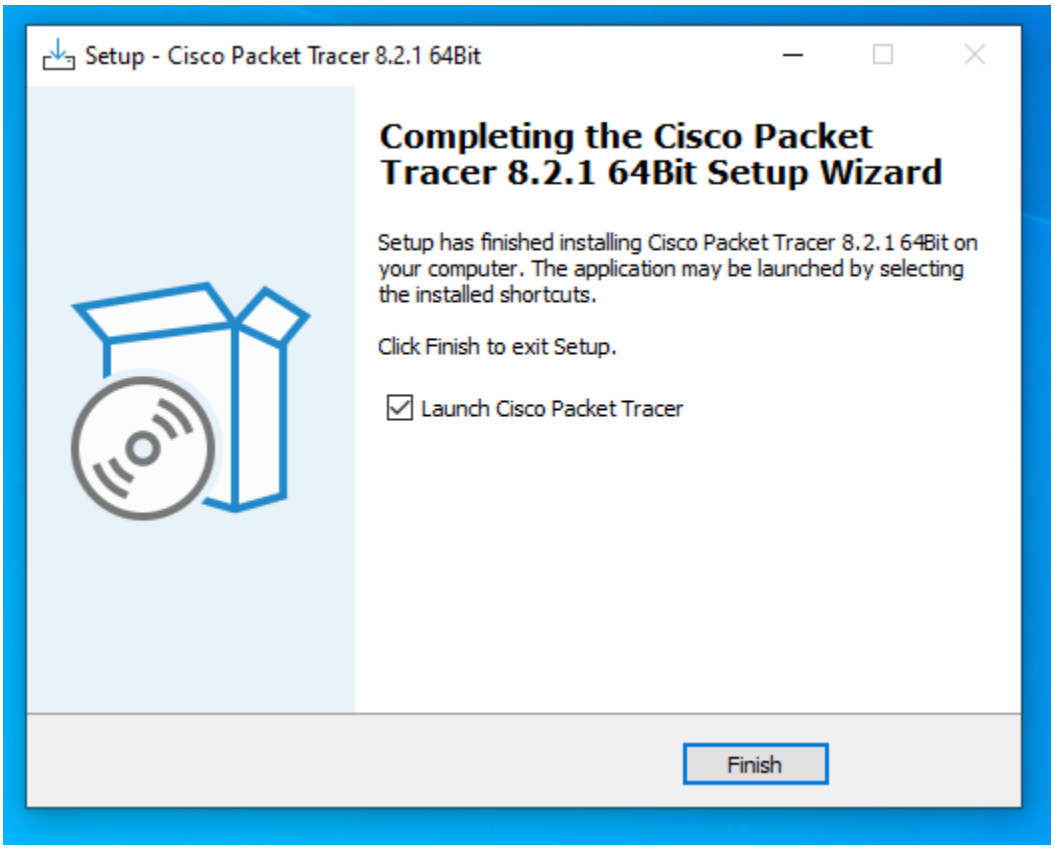
In the next step. Click on “Install” button to begin installation.

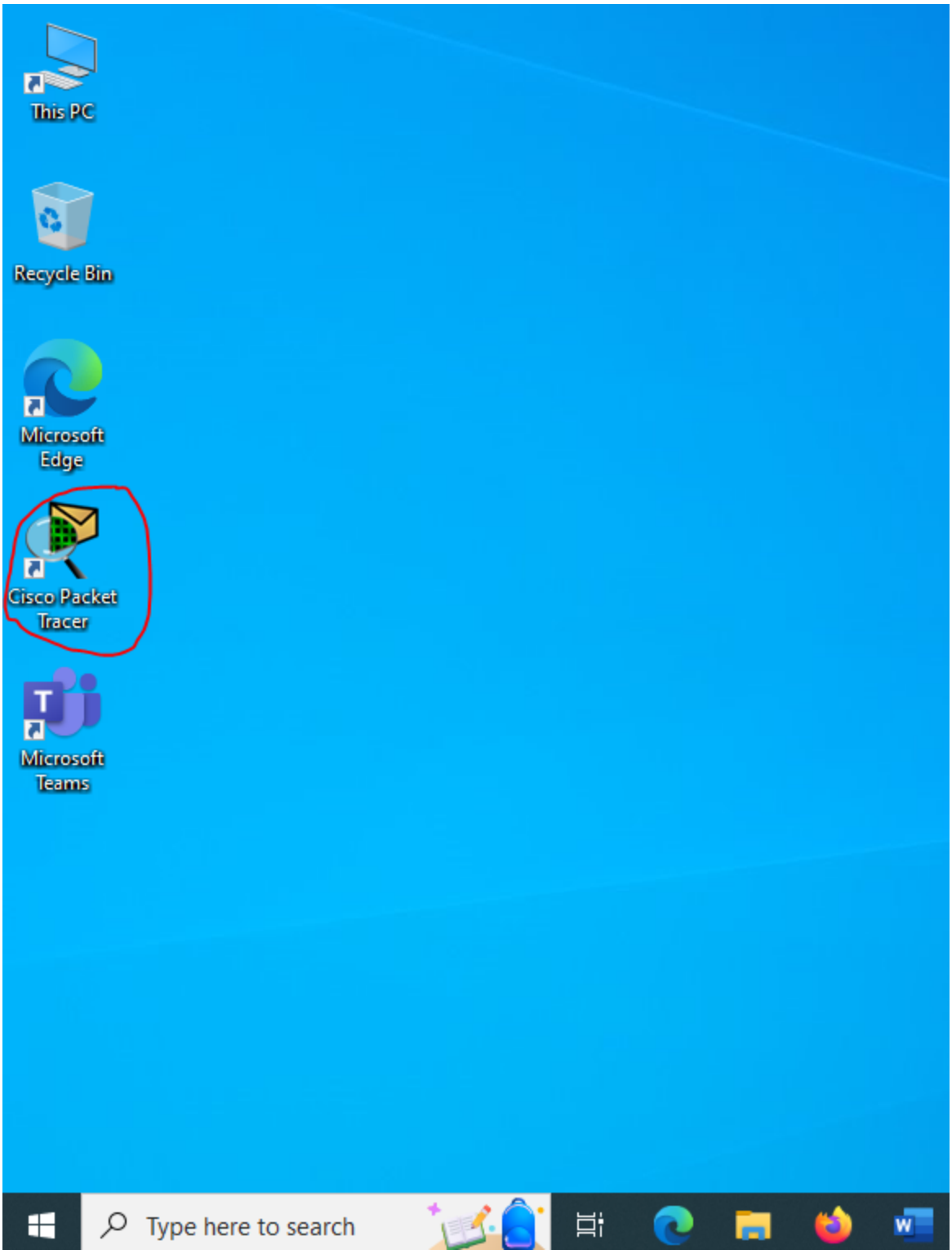


Installation will continue for some time.



Once the installation is completed, click on “Finish” button. If you have checked the option to “launch Cisco Packet Tracer”, Cisco Packet Tracer will launch automatically once you click on the “Finish” button. If you have unchecked that option, double click on the Cisco Packet Tracer icon in the Desktop or in the Start Menu to launch the application.

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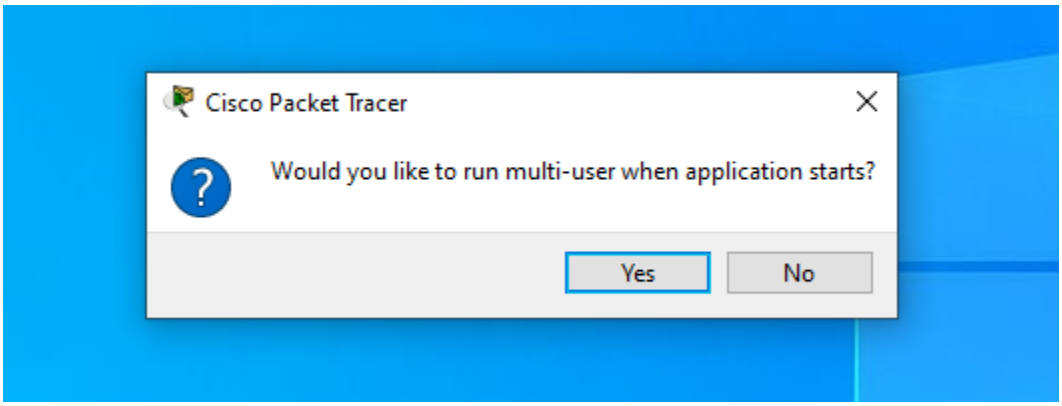
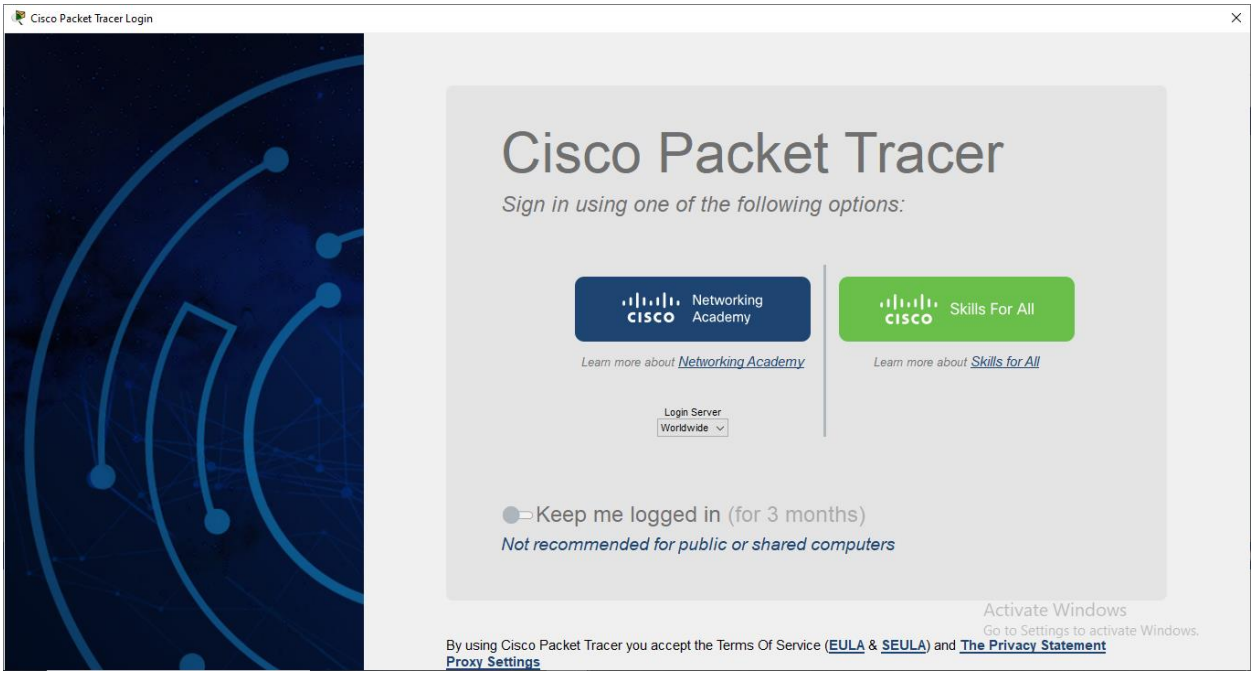
Recycle Bin
Microsoft Edge
Cisco Packet Tracer
Microsoft Teams
Type here to search

If you get a message as follows, click on “Yes” button.



You will get a window as follows when the Cisco Packet Tracer application starts for the first time. Click on the “Skills For All” button in the right side, which appears in green color,

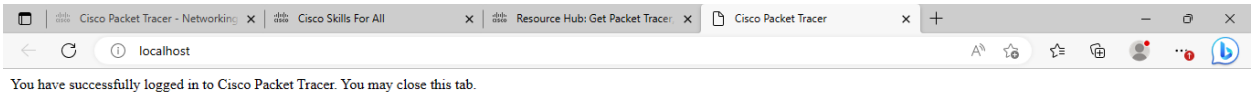


A new tab will open in your default web browser and direct you to the “Cisco Skills For All” login page. Provide your login credentials (email and password) that you have provided earlier when you have created your account, in order to login to the Cisco Packet Tracer application.

If you have not selected a default web browser in your operating system and if you have multiple web browsers installed, you will get a pop-up to select a web browser to direct you to the “Cisco Skills For All” login page. Select your preferred web browser and click “OK”.

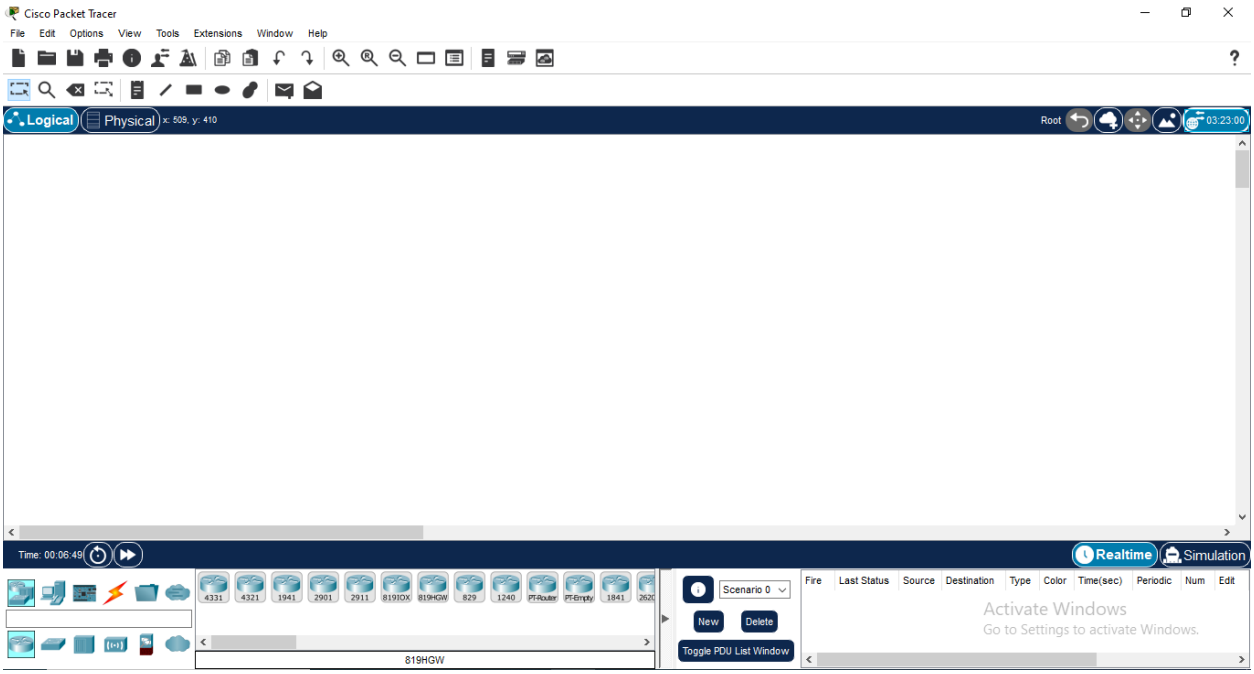
If you have already logged in to the “Cisco Skills For All” account, you will be automatically logged in to Cisco Packet Tracer application, without having to log in manually.

After successfully completing the manual login trough the web page, you will be directed to the login success page as follows.



Activate Windows
Go to Settings to activate Windows.

Now you can close all the browser windows and continue using your Cisco Packet Tracer application which is configured to your Cisco Skills For All user account.



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