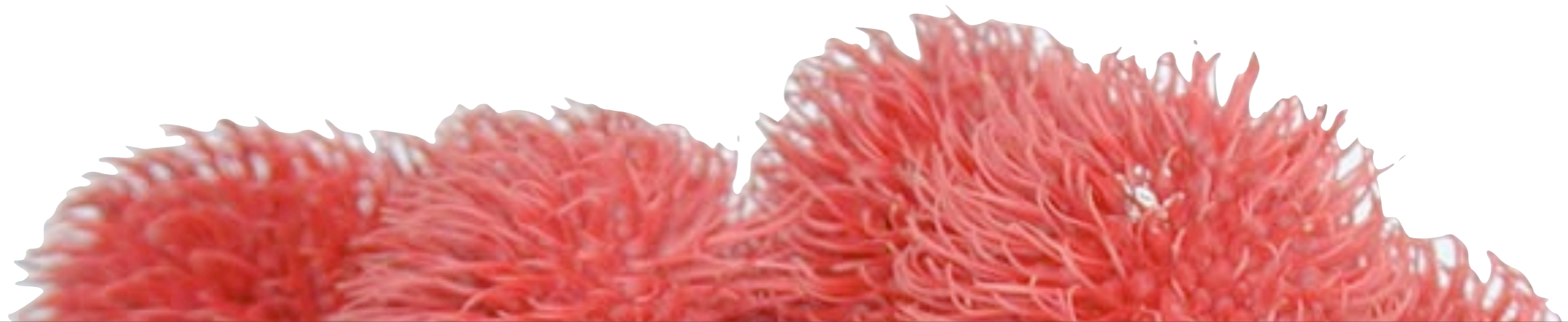


# Firefox & free tools

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Jessamyn West

*<[librarian.net/talks/njla2009](http://librarian.net/talks/njla2009)>*





hi.

**my name is  
jessamyn  
west,**

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**and I am a  
pragmatist.**



I know you can't open source everything. I want an open source car. I can't have that. I want open source downloadable audiobooks but my library has overdrive.

# **the handout thing**

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**If it's Googleable,  
I will not link it.**

**[librarian.net/talks/njla2009](http://librarian.net/talks/njla2009)**



**Free as in...**

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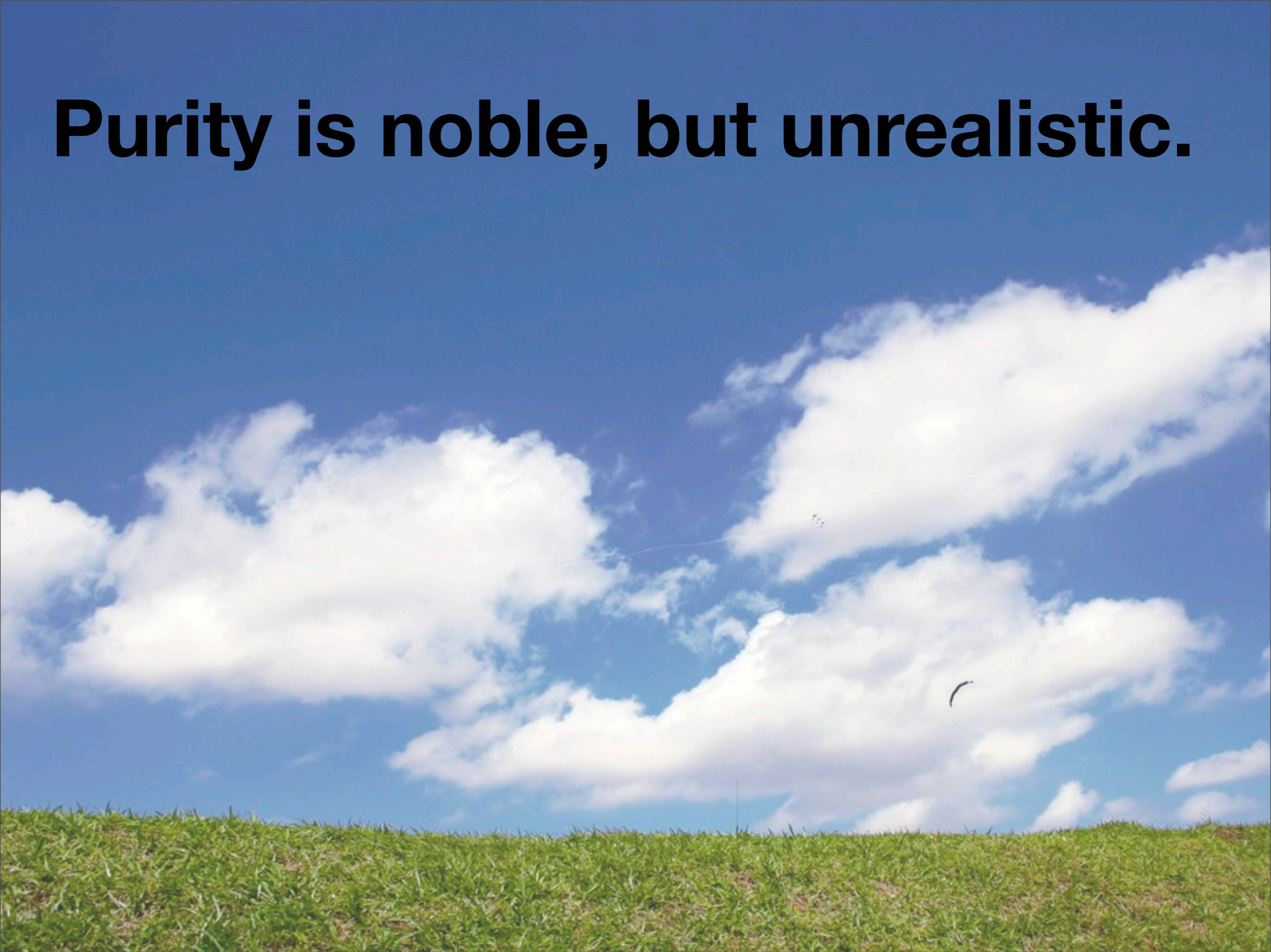
**kittens**  
**freedom**  
**beer**





there's a get what you pay for aspect too, that I won't talk too much about.

**Purity is noble, but unrealistic.**



# That said...



it's a pretty awesome time to be into open source browsers...



The background of the slide is a dense pattern of sliced citrus fruits, including oranges and limes, arranged in a somewhat regular grid. The slices are cut into thin, circular pieces, showing the internal segments and seeds. The colors range from bright yellow to a pale green, suggesting different stages of ripeness or different fruit types.

***are there other  
open source  
browsers?***

A close-up photograph of three lemons on a white surface. The central lemon is in sharp focus, showing its textured, yellow-orange skin. Two other lemons are visible in the background, slightly out of focus. The word "yes." is printed in a bold, black, sans-serif font across the middle of the central lemon.

**yes.**

**Amaya, Camino, Chromium,  
Dillo, Elinks, Epiphany, Flock,  
Galeon, GNU IceCat, K-  
Meleon, Konqueror, Links,  
Lynx, Mozilla Firefox, NetSurf,  
SeaMonkey, Shiira,  
WorldWideWeb, w3m**

these are all open source they are all also free. Free as you know doesn't always mean you don't pay for it, but if you don't get the "free" thing by now, my overexplanation is not going to help. it is the user who is free.

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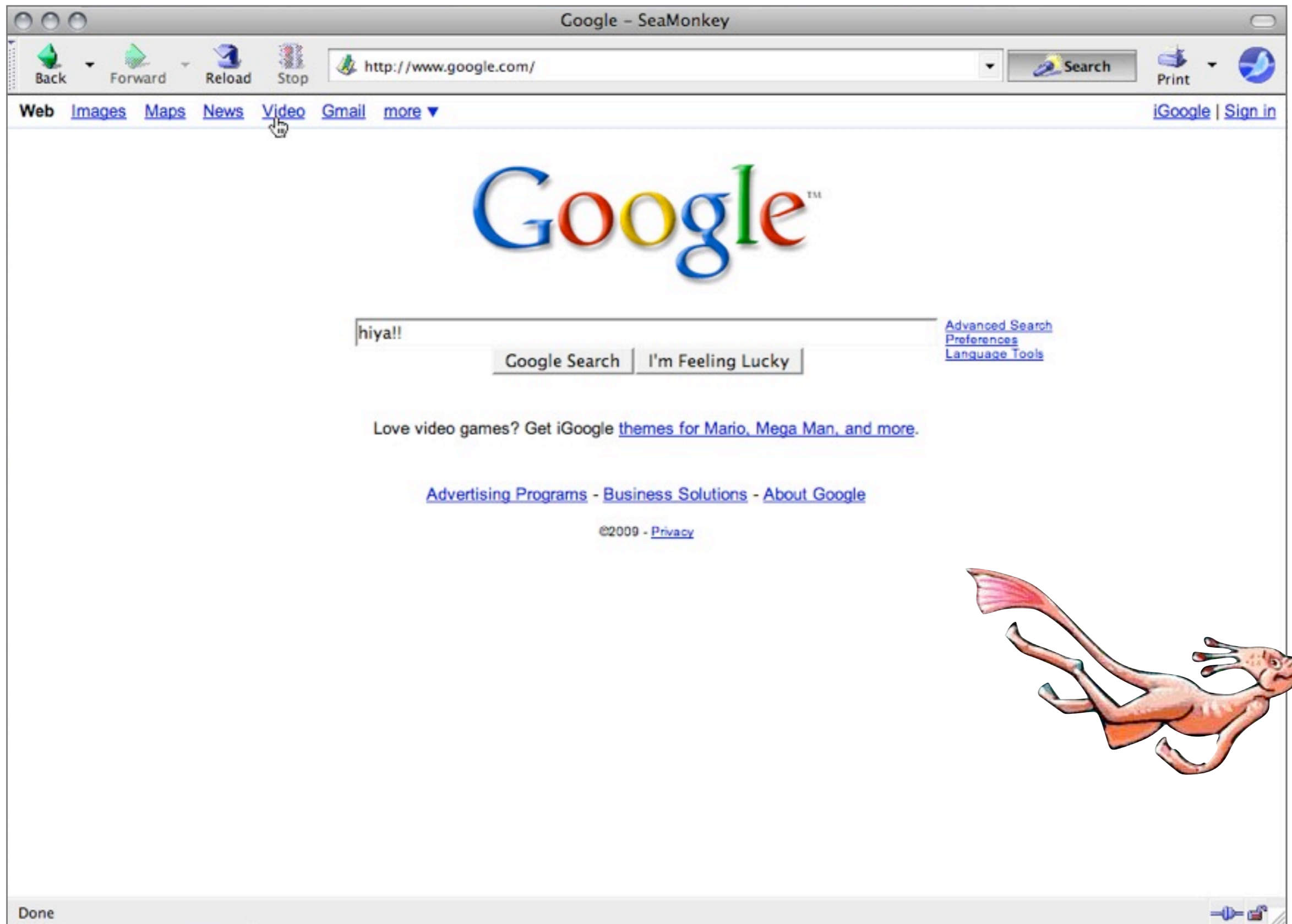
Let's look more specifically.... You have Mac and Windows users? These are the cross-platform browsers.

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Oh you like graphics? These are text only....

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and what's seamonkey? remember netscape?



# Then this might make you nostalgic...

Seamonkey is basically a split from the original Mozilla project that has all the bundled services in one place – browsing, mail, newsreading. More of a “suite” than a browser

**So we're  
mostly  
talking  
about  
firefox, for  
free  
browsers.**





# ff marketshare

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- ▶ **w3schools - 46%**
- ▶ **netapplications - 22%**
- ▶ **statcounter - 31%**

# quick vocab


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- ▶ **Themes/Skins.**
- ▶ **Smart Keywords.**
- ▶ **Plug-ins esp. search.**
- ▶ **Add-ons.**
- ▶ **Greasemonkey.**



Name:

Keyword:

Create in:  

-  Start saving form target with dTa OneClick!
- Add a Keyword for this Search...**
- Check Spelling
- Login with BugMeNot
- Inspect Element
- Link Evaluator...
- Evaluate Links

ask why is the sky blue

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why is the sky blue

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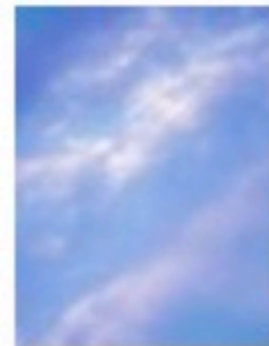
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More ▾

Tell us what you think

## Why Is The Sky Blue?



The sun's rays hit the [Earth's](#) atmosphere, where the light is scattered by nitrogen and oxygen molecules in the air. The blue wavelength of this light is affected more than the red and green wavelengths, causing the surrounding air to appear blue. At sunset, the sun's light passes farther through the atmosphere, deflecting and decreasing the blue in the air. Scattering by dust particles and pollution in the air causes the sunset to appear red.

Go To: [Another Explanation](#) · [Experimental Demonstration](#)

## Blue Sky - Why is the Sky Blue?

**Why is the Sky Blue?** Learn about the atmosphere and how light scattering makes **the sky** look **blue**. Plus, get great science projects to do. ; INDEX: **Why is the sky blue?** --- I Can Read; Learn More About: The atmosphere --- Projects...

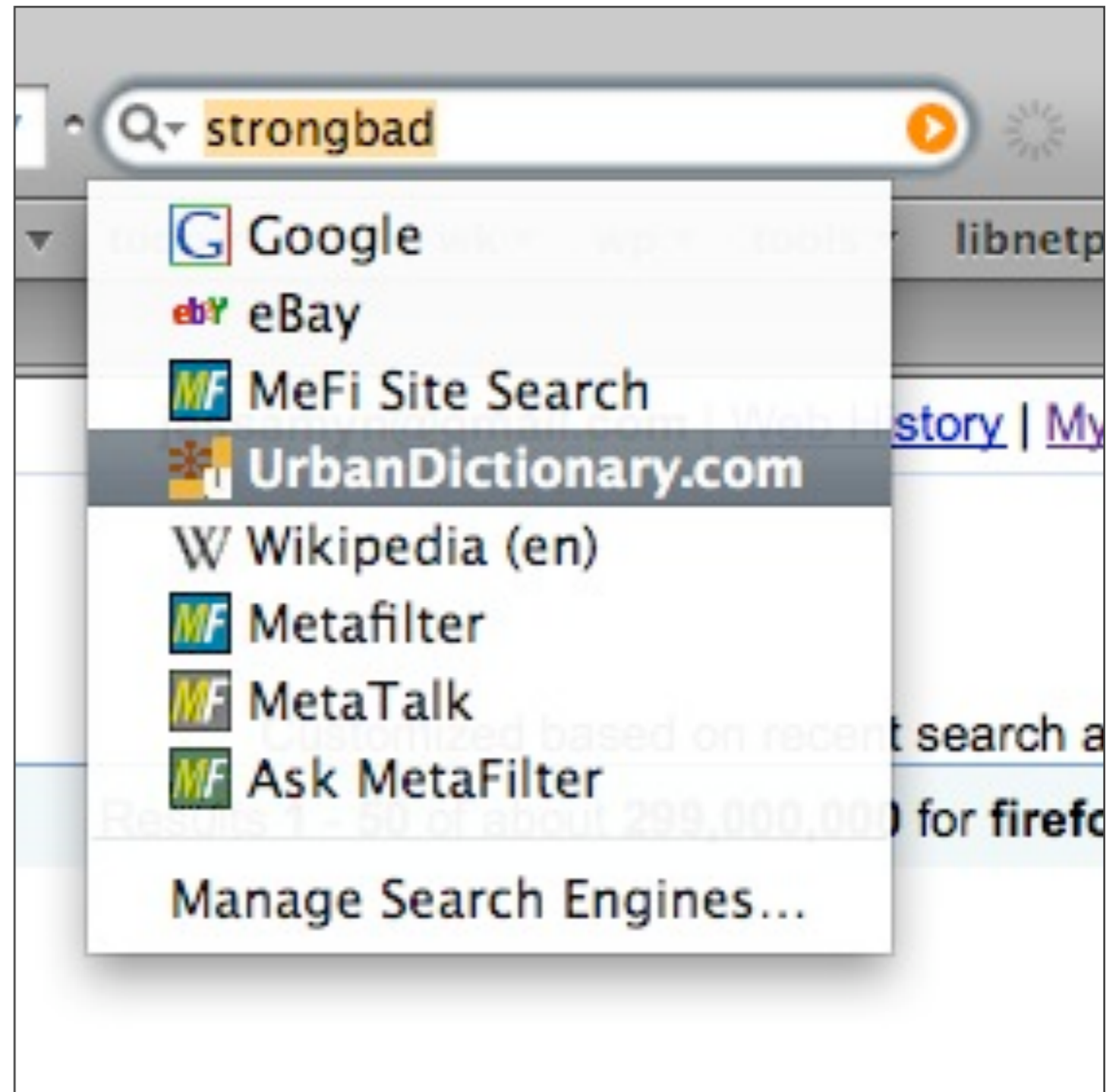
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**search  
what  
you  
want**

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**do not go to  
websites just to  
search them...**

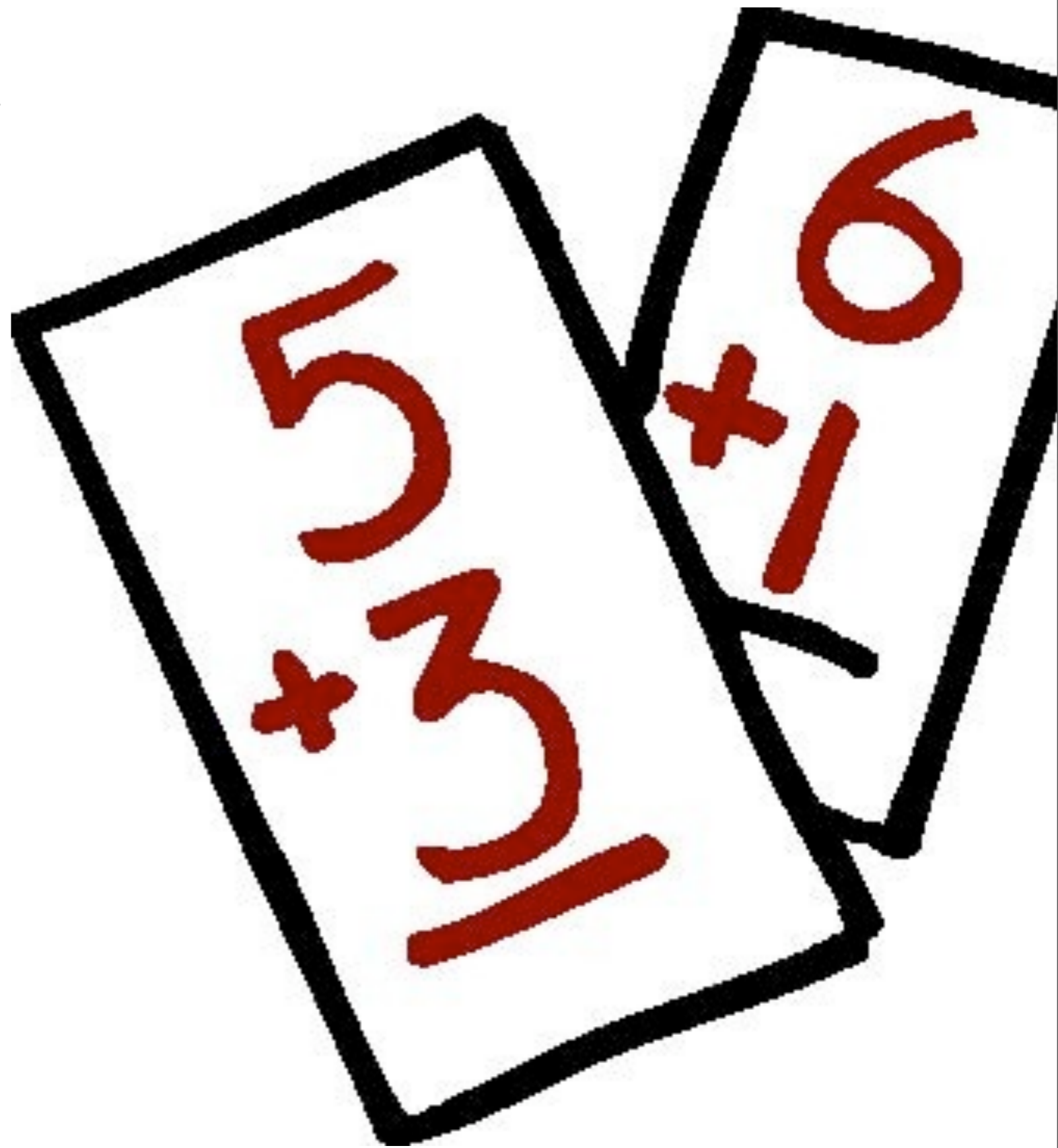
***your time is valuable***



# add-ons

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- ▶ **Adblock & bugmenot**
- ▶ **better Gmail**
- ▶ **customizegoogle**
- ▶ **DownThemAll**
- ▶ **Firebug**
- ▶ **History submenus**
- ▶ **Link evaluator**
- ▶ **Greasemonkey**





# Firefox Add-ons: Popular Add-ons

Other Applications

Register | Log in

Categories

search for add-ons within all add-ons

Advanced

20 per page

Sort by:

Add-on Name

Date

Downloads

Rating

show experimental add-ons

recommended



## Video DownloadHelper

by mig

Add to Firefox

1388 reviews 613,745 weekly downloads

Download Management | Photos, Music & Videos

The easy way to download and convert Web videos from hundreds of YouTube-like sites. This works also for audio and picture galleries.

Updated March 3, 2009

recommended



## Adblock Plus

by Wladimir Palant

Add to Firefox

988 reviews 571,676 weekly downloads

Privacy & Security

Ever been annoyed by all those ads and banners on the internet that often take longer to download than everything else on the page? Install Adblock Plus now and get rid of them. For a quick overview watch http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oNvb2SjVjJI

Updated January 10, 2009



## NoScript

by Giorgio Maone

Add to Firefox

457 reviews 470,384 weekly downloads

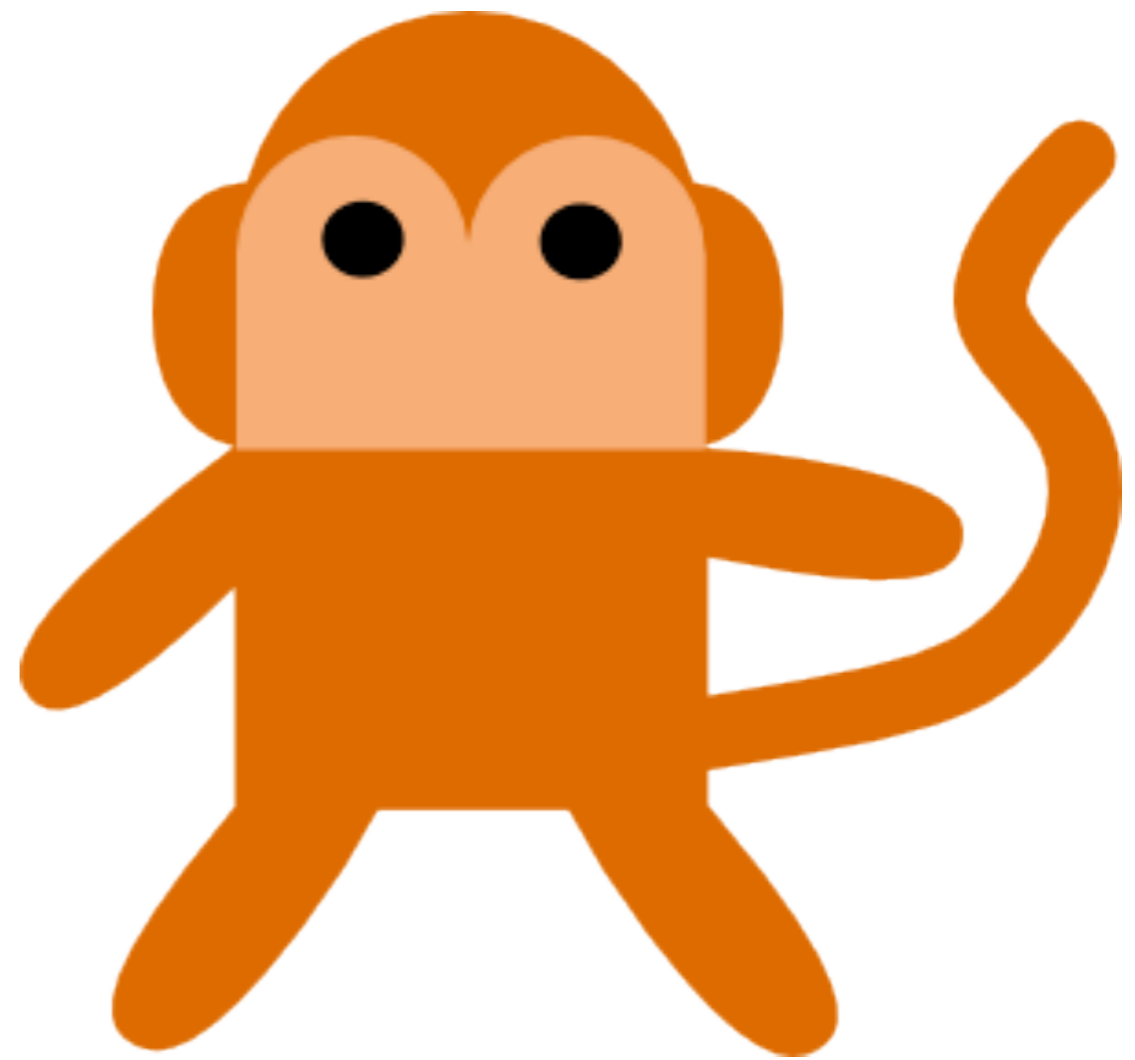
Web Development | Privacy & Security

The best security you can get in a web browser! Allow active content to run only from sites you trust, and protect yourself against XSS and Clickjacking

get more if you need more

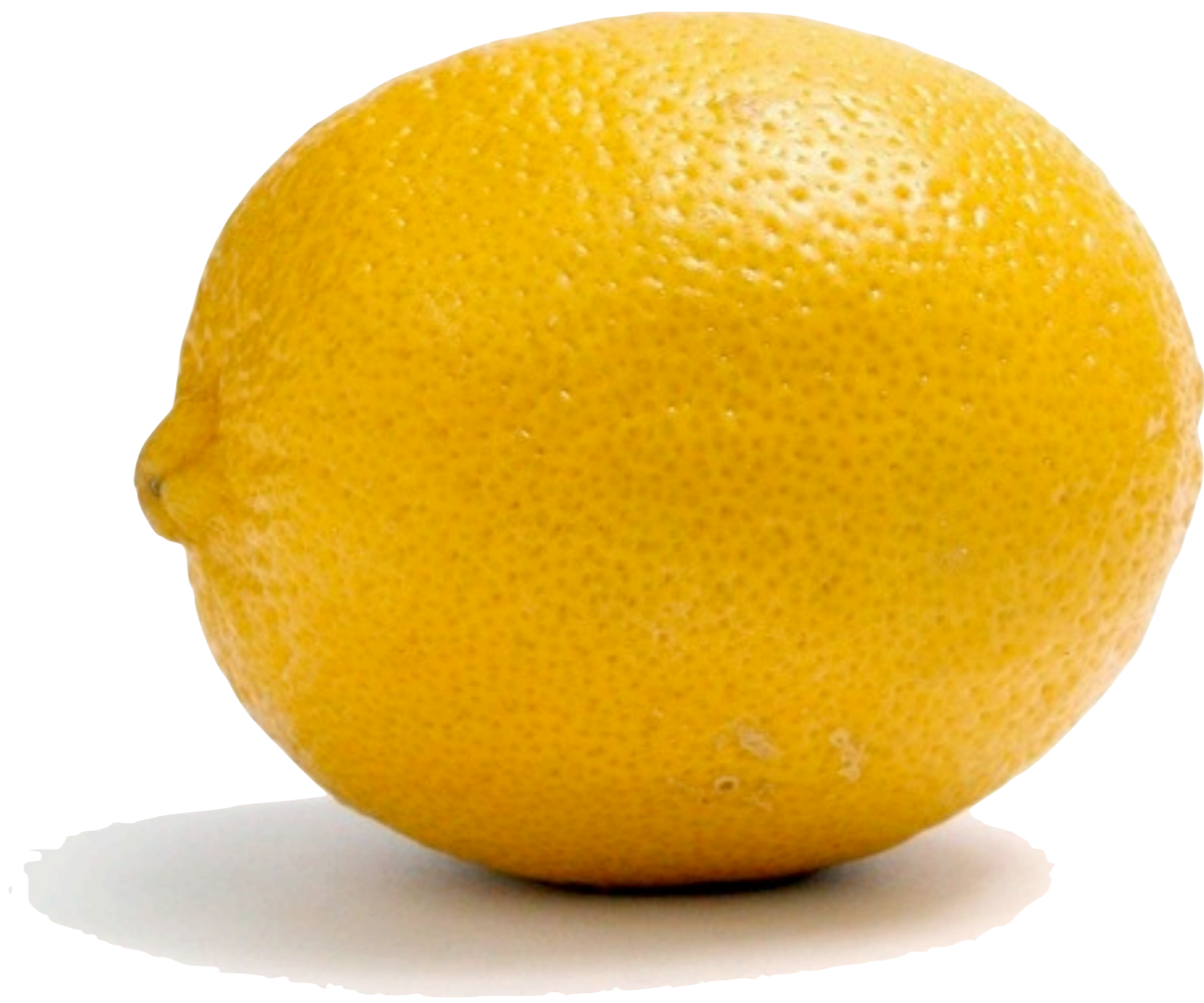
# yes, greasemonkey

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**if you are an  
irritable person...**



there is probably a greasemonkey script that will improve your browsing experience.

# you have options!



## This might void your warranty!

Changing these advanced settings can be harmful to the stability, security, and performance of this application. You should only continue if you are sure of what you are doing.

Show this warning next time

I'll be careful, I promise!

dangerous ones!!

# more!

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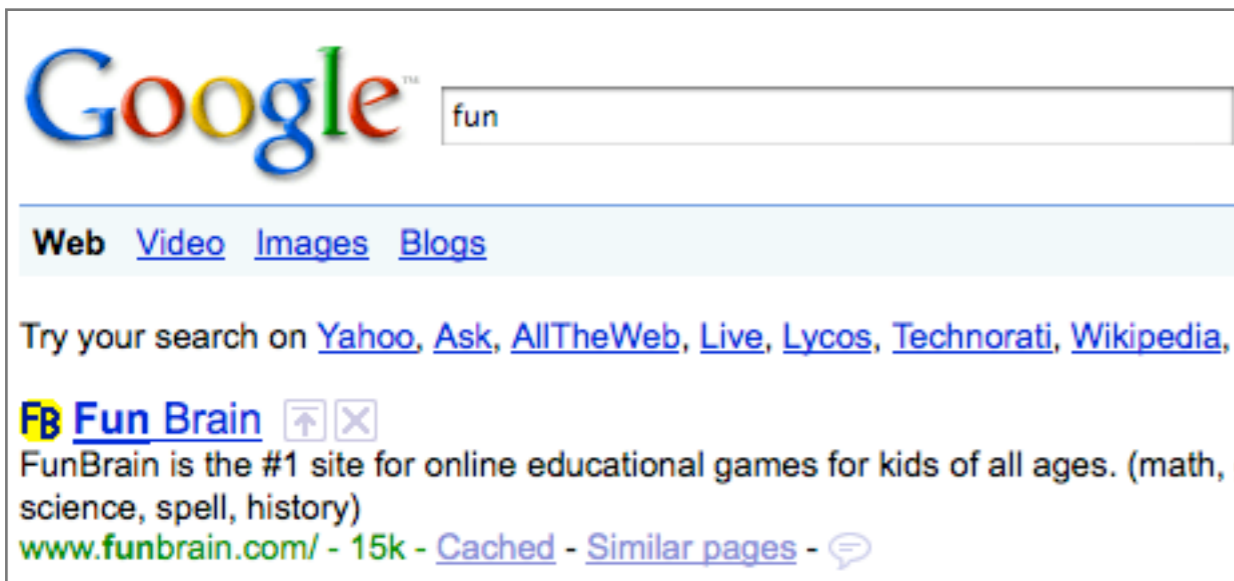
- ▶ **Yahoo mail welcome skipper**
- ▶ **facebook ad nuker & autologin & auto-colorizer**
- ▶ **wikimedia - minimalist**
- ▶ **gmail word count**
- ▶ **configurable flickr home page**
- ▶ **youtube video downloader**
- ▶ **MeFi “who is a librarian?”**



# some are fun!

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- ▶ “No YouNoobs” youtube comment hider
- ▶ Invisibility cloak
- ▶ play music NOW
- ▶ add other search links to Google



A screenshot of a Google search page. The search bar contains the word "fun". Below the search bar, there are links for "Web", "Video", "Images", and "Blogs". Below these links, there is a line of text: "Try your search on [Yahoo](#), [Ask](#), [AllTheWeb](#), [Live](#), [Lycos](#), [Technorati](#), [Wikipedia](#),". Below this, there is a link for "Fun Brain" with a small icon of a brain and a close button. Below the link, there is a description: "FunBrain is the #1 site for online educational games for kids of all ages. (math, science, spell, history)". At the bottom, there is a link to "www.funbrain.com/" with a small icon of a speech bubble.



for some values of fun....

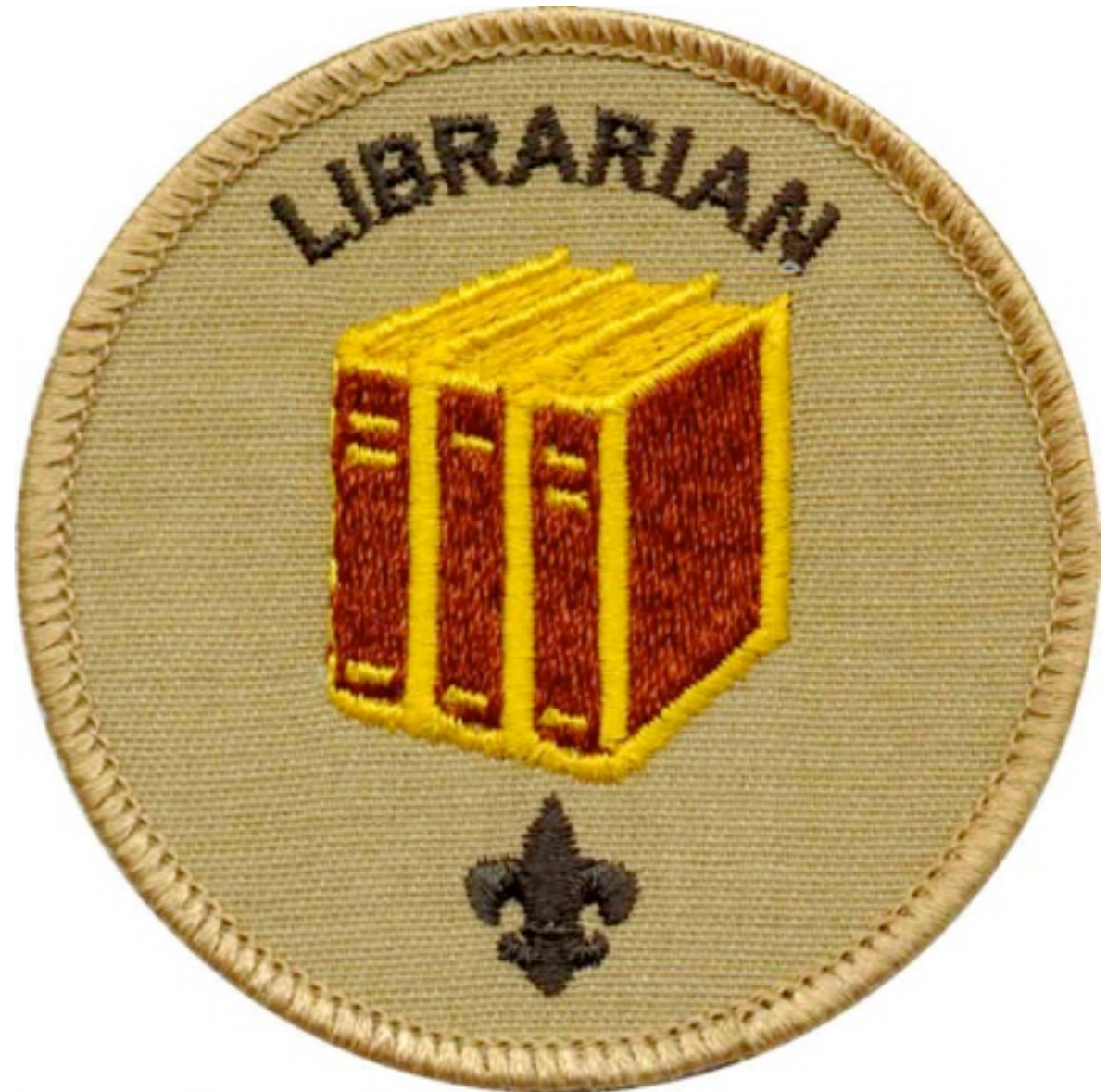
**but jessamyn,  
you are a geek  
and I am a  
*librarian...***



# Simple Stuff

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- ▶ **Book Burro**
- ▶ **Link evaluator**
- ▶ **Foxmarks (xmarks)**



## JULIEN, The Vermont Law School Library Catalog



(Search History)

KEYWORD

privacy

Search

 Limit search to available items436 results found. Sorted by **relevance** | **date** | **title** .Result Page **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** **6** **7** **8** **9** Next

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# what else is free?

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- ▶ **Schedulers**
- ▶ **Inviters**
- ▶ **Calendars**
- ▶ **Communicators**
- ▶ **Places to put them**
- ▶ **Ways to touch them**



# your faves?



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**please go out and be awesome**

**thank you!!!**

