

## Getting Started

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## What is IRC?

IRC stands for [Internet Relay Chat](#), and it's a protocol that enables communications with other people over the internet.

## How does it work?

There are many IRC servers around the world, these servers allows users to connect to them (in many ways similar to visiting a website) using a IRC client such as AdiIRC.

When connected to a server, users can join a channel (or multiple), users in the channel can then send messages to the channel which all users in that channel can see.

Each channel usually has it's own specific topic which users like to chat about, e.g politics, news, cars and so on.

Finding a server and channel you want to join can be a little tricky, one way is searching for topics you want to talk about on sites such as <http://irc.netsplit.de/channels/>.

You can also just join some of the popular servers such as [www.freenode.net](http://www.freenode.net), [www.efnet.org](http://www.efnet.org), [www.dal.net](http://www.dal.net), [www.quakenet.org](http://www.quakenet.org), then type /list <topic> to get a list of all the channels on that server which matches the topic you want to chat about.

You can join multiple servers at the same time using the [/server](#) command or the [Serverlist](#).

## Learn about IRC

A good place to read about IRC and how it works [www.irchelp.org](http://www.irchelp.org). specifically [this guide](#).