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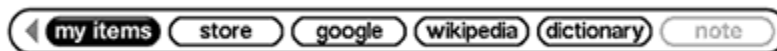
## Using the Basic Web Feature

### Launching the Basic Web Browser

Your Kindle comes with an Experimental application called Basic Web, which is a Web browser optimized to read websites that are primarily text-based. It supports JavaScript, SSL and cookies but does not support media plug-ins (Flash, Shockwave, etc.) or Java applets.

**To launch Basic Web:** Select "Basic Web" from the Experimental screen or follow a link from within your reading material.

**To launch Basic Web via search:** Type in a word anytime from any book, blog, newspaper, or magazine you happen to be reading. When you begin typing, a search box will pop up at the bottom of the screen, and you can move the 5-way controller to the right and select "google" or "wikipedia" from the menu to search those sites directly for the word you typed.



### Using the Basic Web Menu

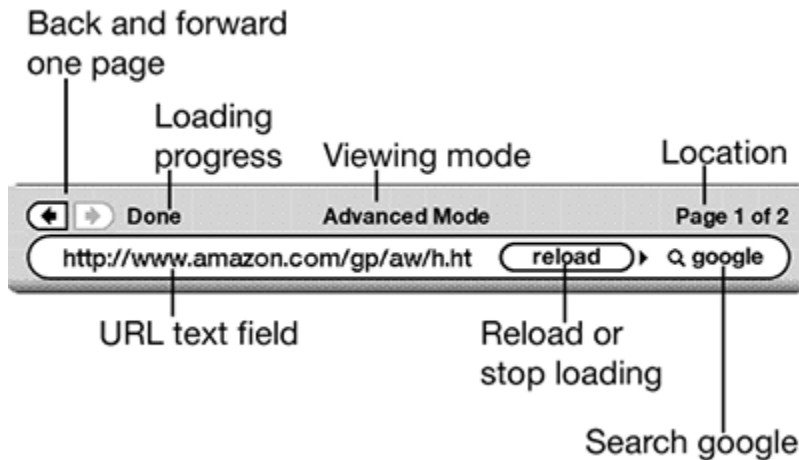
The Basic Web menu contains many browser functions also available in the Browser's navigation bar. To view the menu, press the Menu button when the Basic Web browser is on the screen. Here's a list of options you'll find:



- **Turn Wireless Off:** Turns the Whispernet connection off. If you turn the wireless off, you will not be able to use the browser.
- **Shop in Kindle Store:** Takes you to the Kindle Storefront.
- **Enter URL:** Takes you directly to the URL field where you can enter a web address to visit.
- **Go to Top:** Returns you to the top of the current Web page.
- **Bookmarks:** Displays your list of Web bookmarks.
- **Bookmark This Page:** Adds the current page to the bottom of your list of bookmarks.
- **History:** Displays your History page, which keeps track of the sites you have visited.
- **Settings:** Displays your list of settings where you can change the options for Basic Web.
- **Use Advanced Mode:** This mode squeezes pages down to fit the width of the Kindle screen. In this mode, JavaScript can also be enabled. When this mode is selected, the menu selection then changes to "Use Basic Mode" which optimizes the Kindle's browser for viewing most pages.

## Entering a URL

The URL text field retains the last URL you entered in case you want to quickly edit the same address and submit it again. If you want to enter a secure site with an "https" address, use the backspace key to delete the automatically entered "://" and type the address you want.



### To enter the URL for a website:

1. Press the Menu button and select "Enter URL" from the menu if the URL text field is not visible at the top of the screen.
2. Type in your URL when the cursor is located in the menu bar.
3. When you are done typing, select "go to" with the 5-way controller to view that website.

The URL text field is embedded in a navigation bar with a few other key shortcuts. To the right of the URL text field there is a button to stop loading or reload the current page. From there, move your 5-way to the right, and you can quickly search the Google search engine for the text entered in the URL text field.

Above the URL text field are shortcuts to navigate back and forward one page, an indication of how much of the page has been loaded, whether you are viewing the page in Basic or Advanced Mode, and where you are in the web page.

## Using Bookmarks and Adding Your Own

Bookmarks let you easily access a website without needing to type the address every time. When you open Basic Web from the Experimental page for the first time, you will see a list of default bookmarks with links to information such as daily news and weather. While browsing, you can also access the same list of bookmarks by selecting "Bookmarks" from the browser menu (just press the Menu button).

### To add a website to the Bookmarks page:

1. Navigate to the site that you want to bookmark.
2. Select "Bookmark this page" from the Menu.

### To remove a bookmark:

1. Select "Bookmarks" from the Basic Web Menu.
2. Highlight the bookmark with the 5-way controller.
3. Move the 5-way controller to the left and select "delete bookmark."

**To edit a bookmark:** You can change the name of a bookmark by moving the 5-way controller to the right and selecting "edit bookmark." This only allows you to change the name. If you want to edit the URL, delete the bookmark and add a new one.

## Using Next Page and Previous Page

Most Web pages you find on the Internet will have more content than can be displayed on one page. Use the Next Page and Previous Page buttons to move through these pages. This is equivalent to using your mouse on a computer to move up and down through a Web page. You can also move the cursor down with the 5-way controller until it reaches the bottom of the page.

## Selecting Links, Buttons, and Boxes

Navigate to links on a Web page using the 5-way controller. Links in Basic Web are shown as underlined words, just like in the Reader. Highlight the link you want to go to and press the 5-way. The browser will open that page. Below is a Web page with multiple selectable links.



If you want to enter information in an input field in a Web page to search that site, for example, you should move the cursor to that input field and begin typing. When you finish typing, press down on the

nearby Go or Enter or Search button to retrieve the results. If there are radio buttons embedded within a Web page, you can change the input by maneuvering the cursor to the button you want to change and press the 5-way to "push" this button.

## Using History

You can easily return to websites you recently viewed by pressing the Menu button and selecting "History." You will then see a list of recently visited websites to select from. As noted above, you can also use this list to add a site to your Bookmarks by moving the 5-way to the right.

## Changing Text Size

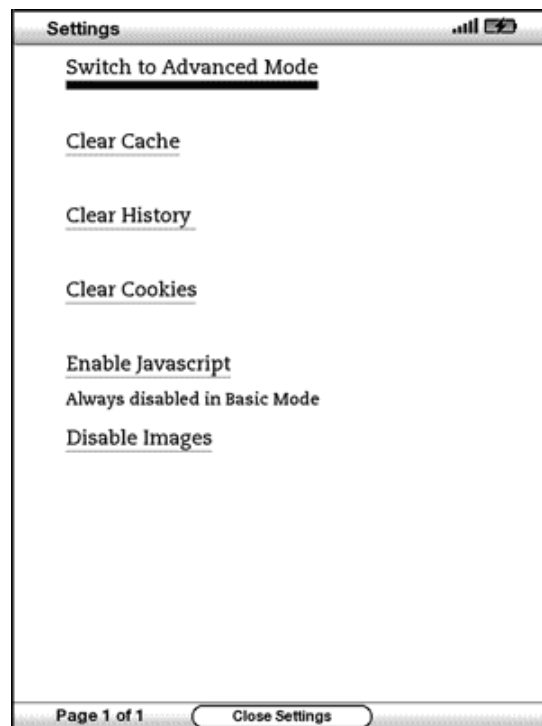
Just like when you are reading a book or periodical, you can adjust the size of the text when viewing Web pages. See the Setting Your Text Size section on the [Reading on Kindle](#) Help document for more information.

## Downloading Files

Some websites may have books or documents you can download and read on your Kindle. When you select these books or documents using Basic Web, you will be asked to confirm if you want to download these to your Kindle Home. The types of files you can download include Kindle content (.AZW, .AZW1), unprotected Mobipocket books (.MOBI, .PRC) and text files (.TXT).

## Using Basic Web Settings

You can modify the default browser behaviors and perform simple maintenance procedures using Basic Web Settings. To display the Settings screen, press the Menu button while in the browser and then use the 5-way to select "Settings."



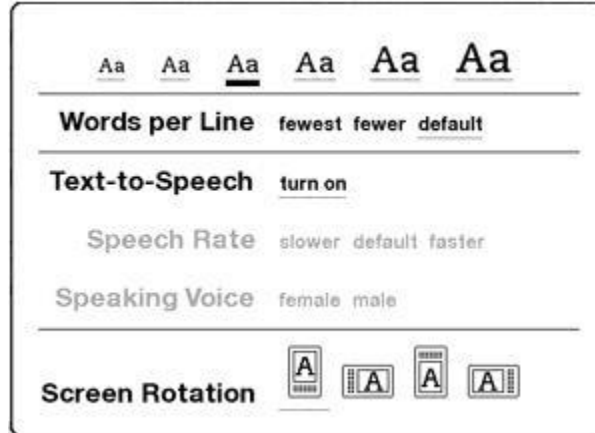
- **Switch to Advanced Mode:** Switches between Basic and Advanced modes, when you view Basic Web.
- **Clear Cache:** Removes temporary Internet files from your Kindle. Move the on-screen highlight to "Clear Cache" and move the 5-way controller to the right.
- **Clear History:** Removes cached Internet address entries from your Kindle. Move the on-screen highlight to "Clear History" and press the 5-way to clear this list.
- **Clear Cookies:** Removes cookies from your Kindle. Move the on-screen highlight to "Clear Cookies" and press the 5-way to remove the cookies.
- **Enable Javascript:** Enables or disables Javascript to be executed on the pages you visit. Note that if Javascript is disabled, Web pages will load faster. The view mode must be set to Advanced Mode to use this feature.
- **Disable Images:** Select whether you want images to appear when you load a Web page. Note that if you do not show images, Web pages will load faster.

## Text-to-Speech (Asking Kindle to Read to You)

Your Kindle can read aloud your books (where allowed by the rights holder), newspapers, magazines, blogs, and personal documents with the Kindle Experimental application, Text-to-Speech.

To turn on Text-to-Speech, follow these steps:



1. Press the Text key  .



2. Move the 5-way down so that the "Text-to-Speech" option is underlined. Press the 5-way to select "turn on." In a few moments, you will hear your content spoken aloud. You can either listen to it through the Kindle's external speakers or plug in earphones into the headphone jack.
3. By default, content is spoken with a male voice, but using the 5-way, you can select a female speaking voice. You can also slow down or increase the rate of speech as well as pause or turn off Text-to-Speech.
4. While Text-to-Speech is playing, the screen will update to the corresponding page of text.

For PDF files and books which the rights holder does not allow Text-to-Speech to read aloud their content, then "Text-to-Speech" will be grayed and you will not be able to select it.

By default, Text-to-Speech starts reading at the beginning of the page currently displayed. To start reading at a particular spot, move the cursor where you'd like the reading to begin before starting Text-to-Speech.

**Tip:** You can also play or stop Text-to-Speech by holding down the Shift key  and pressing the Symbol key . You can pause and resume Text-to-Speech by pressing the Spacebar.

## Listening to Music

To play background audio (MP3 files) that you have transferred to your Kindle, follow the steps below:

1. If you are not already on the Home screen, press the Home button.
2. Press the Menu button.
3. Move the 5-way down until "Experimental" is underlined and press the 5-way to select it.
4. Move the 5-way down until "Play MP3" is underlined and press down to select it.

The songs are played in order, by the date you added them to your Kindle. You can adjust the volume of the music using the volume controls on the right side of your Kindle. You can continue to listen to the audio while reading content; the background audio continues to play unless you open an audio book, turn on text-to-speech, all of the files have been played, or if you stop the playback as indicated below.

To turn off background audio:

1. If you are not already on the Home screen, press the Home button.
2. Press the Menu button.
3. Move the 5-way down until "Experimental" is underlined. Press the 5-way to select.
4. Move the 5-way down until "Play MP3" is underlined. Press the 5-way to select.

**Tip:** You can also play or stop background audio by holding down the ALT key and pressing the space bar. You can forward to the next track by holding down the ALT key and pressing the 'F' key.

## Transferring MP3s

You can transfer your MP3 files to Kindle by copying them to the "music" folder on your Kindle over USB. For more information on connecting your computer over USB, see [Transferring Files via USB](#).

Kindle only supports MP3 audio files; AAC, WAV and other music file formats are not supported.

To transfer MP3s to your Kindle, follow these steps:

1. Connect your Kindle to your computer, using the USB cable that came with the device.
2. Your Kindle should appear on your computer in the same location you would normally find an external USB drive.
3. Open your Kindle. You should see a folder entitled "music." Drag any MP3s you'd like to play on your Kindle into this folder.

4. Using your computer, un-mount your Kindle from your computer.

**Tip:** While there is no limit to the number of MP3 files and audiobooks that you can transfer to your Kindle, keep in mind that these files are larger, and space may become a consideration.