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Photo: Shutterstock (Shutterstock) Whenever I have to make a download something great using my phone, or, really, download anything to my phone, I always weigh the question Will it burn through too much of my data plan? Against How much do I need this app (or game, or video) right now? While games and apps give you the ability to delay downloading until you're on Wi-Fi, rather than using your data plan to do the same for downloads started through a web browser is harder; Usually they will shoot from the minute you click on the link. Or they will, if you activate new settings in Chrome Android lets you delay them, too. You can play with this setup right now. You can find it in any Chrome beta or a slightly less stable Chrome Canary. Start by downloading any browser to an Android device. Once you've done this, type in the following URL in the Chrome address strip: chrome://flags/#download-laterIf it's too much to type, you can also just go with chrome://flags and search for word to download. However you will get there, you will need to find and turn on this flag: Screenshot: David MurphyRestart your browser. Now that you're downloading a file to Chrome (to store your phone), you should see a hint that asks you if you want to download the file now, start downloading it automatically as soon as you're connected to the Wi-Fi network, or schedule a download for a specific date and time in the future. In a report from Techdows, the feature is a bit fussy right now, they report that they've only been able to make it work once. If you don't want to fuss with this setup or can't make it work, there are a number of apps that you can use to replicate this functionality, including Advanced Download Manager and IDM. Your choice! As shocking as it may seem, there is no native way to block websites on Chrome. Why Google hasn't come up with a solution outside of us, but there are several ways to keep computers from accessing websites. Here's a quick guide that will show you how to block websites on Chrome.Block sites on Chrome using extensionsBlock Site One Solution uses the Block site. With Block Site you can blacklist adult-oriented pages as well as selectively select sites that you don't want to access. You can even block content by keywords or at certain times. The extension can sync with mobile devices and keep your entire family's devices safe. Although Block Site is not a proof of a fool, settings can be password protected and you can set alerts by email when someone tries to delete it. A little security is always welcome! Once the extension has been added, just to the website you want to block and click the icon in the top right corner of Chrome. Choose To Block this site and you should no longer have access to this page. You can edit the list manually, manually, icon, and then selecting Change a blocked list of sites. UblacklistUblacklist works as a replacement for Google's own personal block list, which is currently discontinued. Ublacklist doesn't exactly block websites, it just stops them from showing up in Google Search. Add an extension to Chrome, and you'll see a Ublacklist icon that appears in the top right corner of the browser. You can go to the website that you want to block, click the icon, and click OK to blacklist the URL. In addition, you can manually edit the list by clicking the right button on the Ublacklist icon and going into the settings. Blocking websites on Chrome by editing file hosts (Windows)Chrome extensions work perfectly, but they won't stop a well-versed computer user from accessing what they want. Those who want to make it difficult for people to access the web page can tinker with the Host file. It sounds like a complicated thing, but you definitely don't need to learn coding to do it. It's pretty simple if you follow these instructions. Open the File Explorer folder. Use the address bar to go to C: WindowsSystem32 drivers, etc. to get the Hosts file using Notepad.Go at the bottom and under the type of signs 127.0.0.1 and then the website you want to block (without www). Example: 127.0.0.1 AndroidAuthorityCompetitor.com. Close the file and save. Google needs to get a job on the native site blocker, but these methods should keep your browsing safe until then. Are

there any other solutions to blocking the website you guys like using? READ ALSO: Source: Joe Maring/Android Central It can be easy to take our phones for granted, but when you step back and think about it, it's absolutely wonderful what they're capable of. Even one app, such as Google Chrome, puts the entire Internet in your pocket to search and view whenever you want. You can do a lot with Google Chrome, from reading news, checking Twitter, and shopping online. All of these actions require data, however, and if you're trying to reduce the amount of mobile data that you use for a month, you may find that Chrome eats up a lot. Aside from simply monitoring how much you're on it, Google Chrome has a built-in tool that will help you use as little data as possible when using the app. Even better, turning it on takes only a few seconds. If you're willing to start using less data in Google Chrome on your Android phone, you need to include something called Lite mode. Here are the steps to get you there. Open Google Chrome on your Android phone. Click on the three points in the top right corner. Click Settings. Source: Joe Maring/ Android Central Scroll down to the bottom of the page. Click Lite. Tap the switch to turn it on. Source: Joe Maring/Android Central As stated in the screenshot above: Google says that Lite mode uses up to 60% less data compared to app with it turned, which is a substantial savings rate. However, it's worth bearing in mind that Lite mode doesn't work if you're looking at Incognito tabs. Once Lite mode is enabled, Google makes it very easy to see exactly how much data you saved using the feature. At any time, tap three dots in the top right corner of Chrome. You'll see a new section at the bottom of the pop-up list showing how much data you've saved, and clicking on it will take you to Lite settings, where you can see more information about how Lite mode works in the background. Source: Joe Maring/Android Central Lite mode won't save you data on every website you visit, but seeing as it doesn't have a negative impact on your browsing experience, you might as well keep it on all the time and watch savings pile up. What unlimited plan should you buy in 2020: ATT, Sprint, T-Mobile or Verizon? We can earn commissions for purchases using our links. Learn more. Chrome Extensions are powerful tools that allow you to customize your browser experience to your liking. Although they have historically only been available on the desktop, a recent update to the Kiwi browser brings support for desktop extensions for Android. What is Kiwi Browser? Kiwi is an open source browser for Chrome and WebKit Chrome-based Android devices. Since it uses a chrome source, it has a very familiar appearance, but it also packs its own features to make it unique and useful. Right out of the box, it blocks intrusive ads by default, blocks pop-ups, and has protection against cryptojacks. It can also block site notifications, as well as block AMP pages for users who prefer to go directly to the site. Basically, it's a more confidential version of Chrome with various speed improvements. Since it's just chrome-based rather than actually Chrome, however, you'll lose out on things like synchronizing accounts between devices, which means you'll have to manually bring bookmarks and the like Kiwi if from Chrome. All of this aside, there's one major feature that is relatively new to the Kiwis that we're going to focus on today: support for desktop expansion. We're talking about all your favorite extensions from Chrome to your desktop, just on your phone. That's pretty happy. Here's how it works. Let's talk about Chrome extensions on a mobile phone before we get to nitty-gritty, we should probably talk about why Google hasn't brought Chrome Chrome extensions to Android. To put it bluntly: because experience mostly sucks. Chrome extensions are basically (or completely?) designed with the desktop in mind, so it's no surprise that many they don't offer much use on a mobile phone. In fact, none of the extensions I use in chrome desktop is worth a flip on a mobile phone. Your mileage will range from extension to extension - some of them may work some of them can only be partially operational. Some of them may not work at all. The only way to find out is to really check it out. But you may be able to guess which extensions will work based on your experience with them; for example, LastPass Chrome extensions are great on Chrome desktop, but it doesn't work on your mobile phone at all. But other, more simplified extensions, such as OneTab, work fine. Like I said, you need to experiment. Now, all that said, the Kiwis have so far done something extraordinary here by incorporating this feature, and it's working about as well as possible given the state of Chrome extensions right now. Installing and removing extensions (both of which we'll cover below) is about as simple as they can be. How to use Chrome desktop extensions on Android First Things First, you need to install Kiwis from the Play Store (if you haven't already). Once installed, light it up. There's no installation process here- you can go straight into browsing. Feel free to dig in and get comfortable with kiwi-specific bells and whistles if you want, but it should feel pretty familiar out of the gate (for Chrome users, anyway). If you already know what you want to install, go through the Chrome Web Store to get started. Since the Web store doesn't have a mobile-friendly page, you need to pinch and zoom your way around the page for a better experience. (That is, if you're not one of those massive phone people, in which case you may be able to fly around the Web Store with little to no zoom. Once you've set your sights on an extension, it's installed just like the desktop: click Add to Chrome.   Take permission and then give it a few seconds. Your extension will be ready for rock 'n' roll. It's ready to set up and use (assuming it works properly, of course). Come to you. How to remove an extension from Kiwi If you understand the extension is not what you thought it would be (or just want to remove it), click the menu button in the top corner and then choose Extensions. From there, find an extension you want to remove and then click delete. A confirmation dialogue will appear, so take this to complete the deletion. Easy peasy. Peas. android chrome scroll to top shortcut