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Omniscient - November 28, 2010, 10:18 pm

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Mike. - November 28, 2010, 10:19 pm

I never had a problem with my DNS so I was on all day, but Thoth was having it >.<

Alistair - November 28, 2010, 10:20 pm

I use OpenDNS and was having problems so will try this.

Electronical - November 28, 2010, 10:20 pm

Alright, I've had some problems with connecting and I still have, but I'll just use Google DNS then.

Strik9 - November 28, 2010, 10:20 pm

Thank you very much, this solved all of my problems.

Kr4z1 - November 28, 2010, 10:21 pm

TRRS was having this problem. I'll be sure to link him to that when he wakes up.

Irelandrulz2 - November 28, 2010, 10:22 pm

Yea I was having this problem, I just reset my router and the problem fixed itself.

MVJESTIC - November 28, 2010, 10:24 pm

Yeah i was having this problem earlier in the day, it cleared itself up tho, so it's all good.

!!* Alone Vampire *!! - November 28, 2010, 10:25 pm

All is fine here, no need to use Google DNS.

Shannon R. - November 28, 2010, 10:28 pm

Everything is fine for me also. I am happy about that.

Omniscient - November 28, 2010, 10:35 pm

Also if you're trying one of these and it's not working try the other.

<https://hackforums.net>

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T3h Hack3r - November 28, 2010, 10:35 pm

Thanks for this, managed to reset my DNS settings to the default Google ones, site appears to be running much smoother without that connection error. Couldn't view the site for a good 12 hours even after unplugging my router and wireless.

r3dt4p3v1ru5 - November 28, 2010, 10:44 pm

the forums back but i'm using my german proxy to be safe :)

`P R O D I G Y™ - November 28, 2010, 10:46 pm

Yeah, I had this problem aswell. I didn't even think it was an issue, a router reset worked for me. :P

Lassy - November 28, 2010, 10:49 pm

Are you going to fix it so we don't need to use this? Because im not doing this. Id rather wait/not come on -.-

N3w_2_H@Ck1n™ - November 28, 2010, 10:51 pm

Never had an issue but I'll remember to link people here who do.

(Nov 28, 2010 11:49 PM)Mystic Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Are you going to fix it so we don't need to use this? Because im not doing this. Id rather wait/not come on -.-

Obviously you're either doing it, or you don't have to do it, if you're posting lol.

Lassy - November 28, 2010, 10:53 pm

Im obviously on a proxy, checking to see if there was a fix, but is he going to fix it or just say "cbf" and we all live on?

Omniscient - November 28, 2010, 10:58 pm

Actually it appears Google DNS has a problem with non-www version. Not sure why. I'll monitor it but I hope it resolves properly tomorrow. The issue with DNS is that even immediate changes don't take immediate effect. So it sort of takes a few days for everyone to have it right. However I'm fairly confident I have all DNS settings correct on my end. We all just have to wait till it's propagated.

cobija - November 28, 2010, 10:59 pm

I use Comodo's DNS. I have never had any problems.

<http://www.comodo.com/secure-dns/switch/>

©2011 All Rights Reserved - November 29, 2010, 12:39 am

I was having this problem today's morning. But since I got back from school, it's all resolved automatically. :)

Inveno - November 29, 2010, 12:41 am

I have had no issues at all in connecting to the forum, but I have made a note, just in case lol

Carb0n F1ber - November 29, 2010, 12:48 am

I was using GoogleDNS for a very long time (I remember it was one other of Omni's thread that pointed me to it) until recently when I noticed that the route taken (number of hops) to yahoo servers was too long from my country. However on my ISP's DNS it worked fine. So I switched back.

No issues with hackforums however.

~Tom~ - November 29, 2010, 12:50 am

I was having connection problems until I removed the www (No change of DNS)

Seems to be working fine, and it appears my bookmarks are updated.

Cyber Hacker - November 29, 2010, 2:18 am

HF Working Fine For Me Without Any DNS Problem :)

Dec3ent - November 29, 2010, 4:41 am

Thanks, working now. ??

Grammar Rays - November 29, 2010, 4:53 am

Thanks Omniscient, I had a little downtime, but I made a hot chocolate and took my dog for a walk and came back and everything was back to normal.

Rippin™ - November 29, 2010, 7:00 am

Yeah, Google DNS was not working for me, I had to use OpenDNS.

iDope -.- - November 29, 2010, 7:42 am

I'm absolutely fine, though I had some problems yesterday..
Thanks for the update.

S70N3R - November 29, 2010, 9:01 am

Worked now but wasn't working yesterday, strange. Anyway thanks.

Omniscient - November 29, 2010, 9:19 am

I fixed the Google DNS problem. I added a third DNS server to help spread the love. I'll probably add a 4th eventually just to make sure we always have DNS.

Cyam - November 29, 2010, 9:45 am

Had some problems last two days, now work, but I have set up google dns :)

ado11 - November 29, 2010, 10:37 am

I had that problem yesterday and this morning

Now everything is ok :)

Braco Asshole - November 29, 2010, 10:55 am

Hi,

I figured out how to use GoogleDNS finally.

Thought I was firewalled, but you updated the DNS servers.

Thanks for reading.

Star Pker - November 29, 2010, 2:23 pm

Thank you Omni, i wasn't able to get on. This solved all my problems ?.

Edit: I tried using this, still didn't work or either im not setuping it up right. Could someone do this for me, i think i am doing this wrong.

MarkW7 - November 29, 2010, 3:10 pm

Already using google, they are much better than your ISP's DNS.

Calvin. - November 29, 2010, 3:13 pm

I couldn't connect from my VPN, and I'm sure HF allows [censored]?

Offtopic, can I post here while banned/limited?

Shinkirou - November 29, 2010, 3:29 pm

For those that run an OS besides Windows, I dug up the explanation on how to do it for Linux and Mac OS X because I needed them.

Mac OS X:

DNS settings are specified in the Network window.

Example: Changing DNS server settings on Mac OS 10.5

From the Apple menu, click System Preferences, then click Network.

If the lock icon in the lower left-hand corner of the window is locked, click the icon to make changes, and when prompted to authenticate, enter your password.

Select the connection for which you want to configure Google Public DNS. For example:

To change the settings for an Ethernet connection, select Built-In Ethernet, and click Advanced.

To change the settings for a wireless connection, select Airport, and click Advanced.

Select the DNS tab.

Click + to replace any listed addresses with, or add, the Google IP addresses at the top of the list: 8.8.8.8 and 8.8.4.4.

Click Apply and OK.

Linux:

In most modern Linux distributions, DNS settings are configured through Network Manager.

Example: Changing DNS server settings on Ubuntu

In the System menu, click Preferences, then click Network Connections.

Select the connection for which you want to configure Google Public DNS. For example:

To change the settings for an Ethernet connection, select the Wired tab, then select your network interface in the list. It is usually called eth0.

To change the settings for a wireless connection, select the Wireless tab, then select the appropriate wireless network.

Click Edit, and in the window that appears, select the IPv4 Settings tab.

If the selected method is Automatic (DHCP), open the dropdown and select Automatic (DHCP) addresses only instead. If the method is set to something else, do not change it.

In the DNS servers field, enter the Google Public DNS IP addresses, separated by a space: 8.8.8.8 8.8.4.4

Click Apply to save the change. If you are prompted for a password or confirmation, type the password or provide confirmation.

Credits: <http://code.google.com/speed/public-dns/docs/using.html>

Zach - November 29, 2010, 3:30 pm

Sounds good, I hope these server issues get sorted.

thedankestmeme - November 29, 2010, 4:14 pm

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Best option is to pull out namebench or something, and see which one works best for you individually; it's not like nameservers are going to have the same performance throughput throughout the entire world.

Mut? - November 29, 2010, 5:30 pm

Still isn't working for me for some reason. By the way, I'm on my phone.

Edit* I temporarily fixed it by using a proxy.

alfonzo1955 - November 29, 2010, 6:02 pm

I agree that Google DNS is the best DNS service out there right now.

Minnesota Nice - November 29, 2010, 9:19 pm

I'm all clearing guess but there were a lot of members claiming to have DNS problems earlier.

CeilingCat - November 29, 2010, 9:49 pm

Wow, I was wondering why pages loaded kinda slow to me.

I switched to Google's DNS, and now it's loading instantly. Thanks. :)

nitro81 - November 30, 2010, 5:21 am

All is fine, no problems here.

?Cooldude? - November 30, 2010, 6:16 am

Well I tried using Google DNS now again it seems to be working okay now.

ManUnited - November 30, 2010, 6:18 am

I was having issues as well, but seems to be fixed now.

Braco Asshole - November 30, 2010, 9:47 am

Hi,

Was Hack Forums down 2 hours ago?

Thanks for reading.

CarrotMilk - November 30, 2010, 9:51 am

How weird, I couldn't connect and JUST changed to Google DNS, working fine now :)

meister - November 30, 2010, 9:51 am

I've been having problems connecting to HF past 2 days, might shift to google dns to see if it's any better.

Burnzy - November 30, 2010, 9:57 am

but what about new members? They dont know that google dns is needed here.

Black Mesa - November 30, 2010, 9:59 am

It has been down all day for me and just got up.

From my cellphone network and from 2 ISP's.

It's not dns for sure here.

Maasie - November 30, 2010, 11:44 am

I can always get on here fine...Only when HF's down I can't. Ill keep this in mind though, interesting.