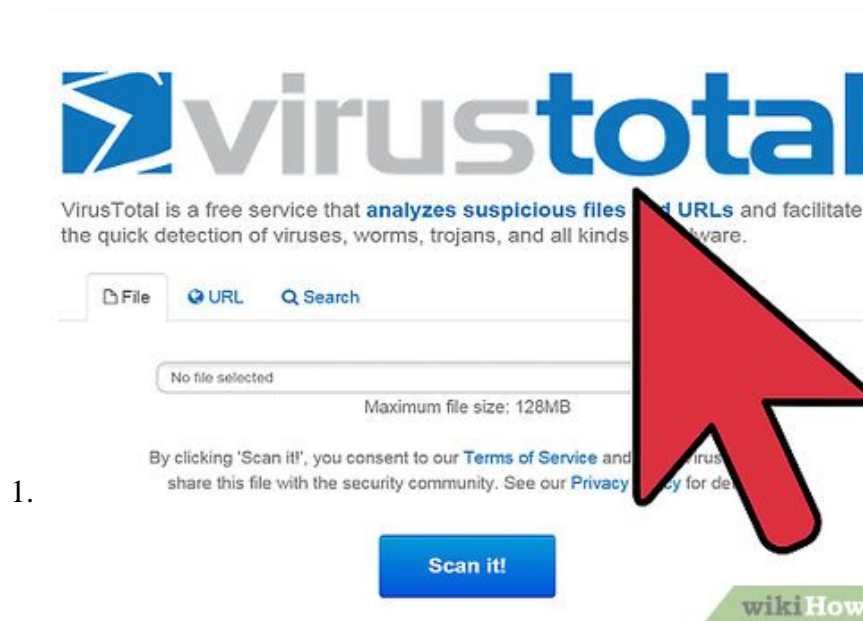


How to Check a Download for Viruses

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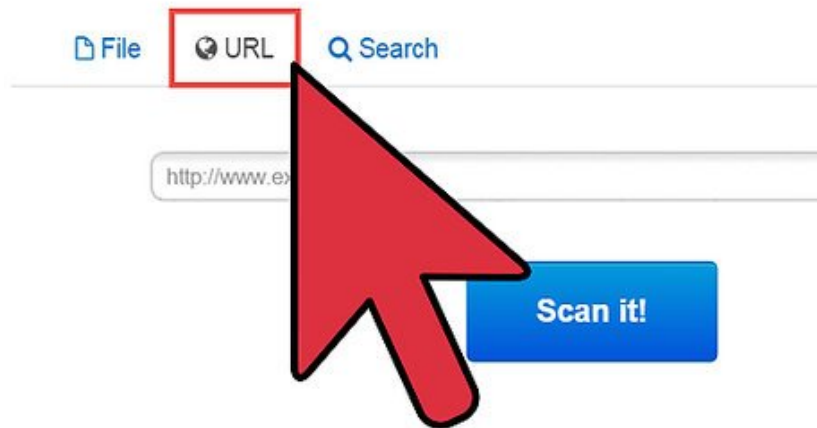
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Virus Total URL Scan



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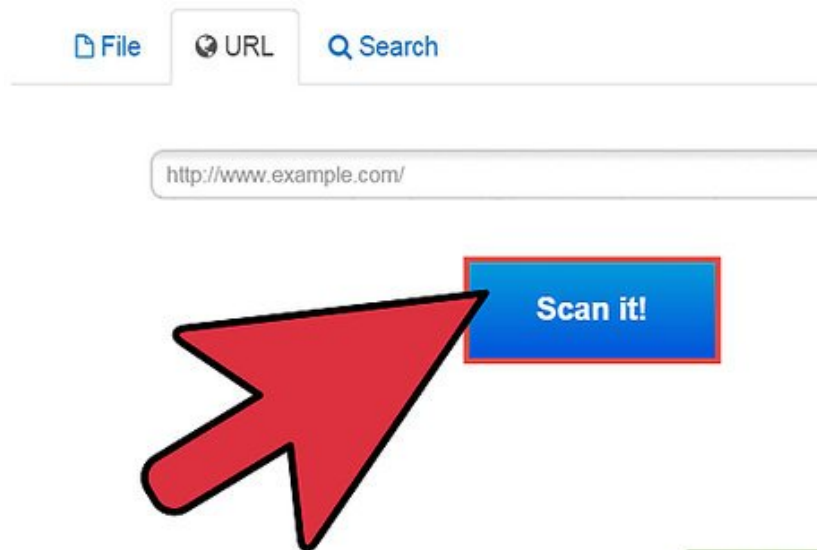
Visit the Virus Total Homepage.



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Click on the "Submit a URL" tab and enter the address of the website where you are about to download the file from.



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Hit the "Submit URL" button. Virus Scan will check the website for viruses and let you know whether it is safe for downloading files from there or not.

Method 2 of 4:

Virus Total File Scan



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File URL Search

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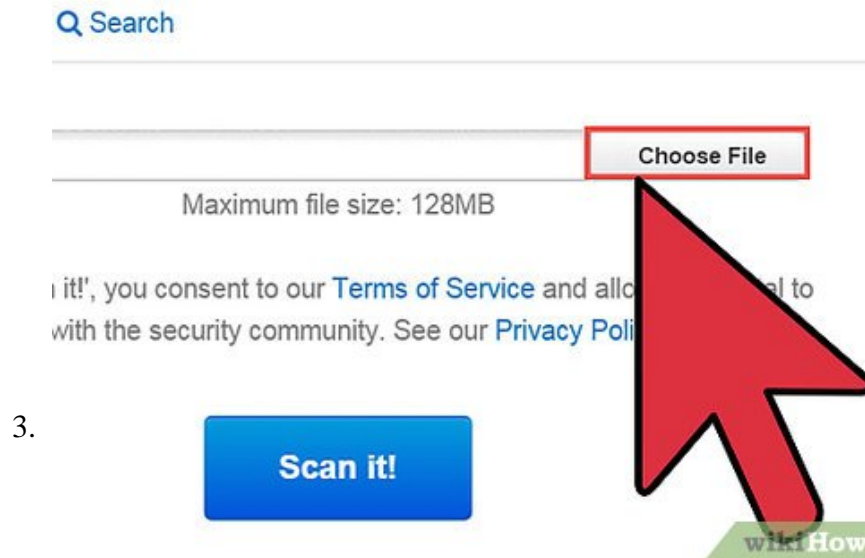
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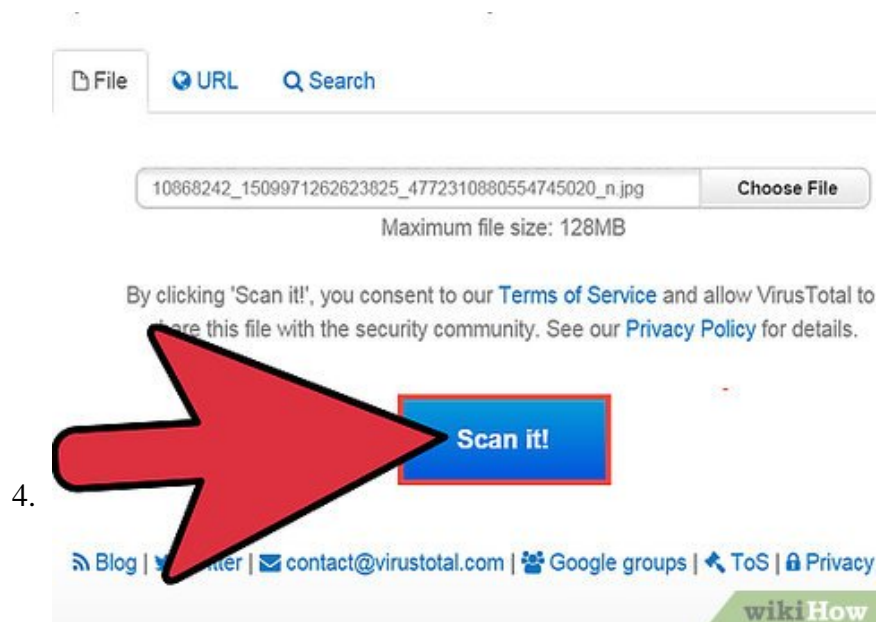
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Press the Browse button in the "Upload a file" tab.



Browse to the file that you have downloaded and select it.



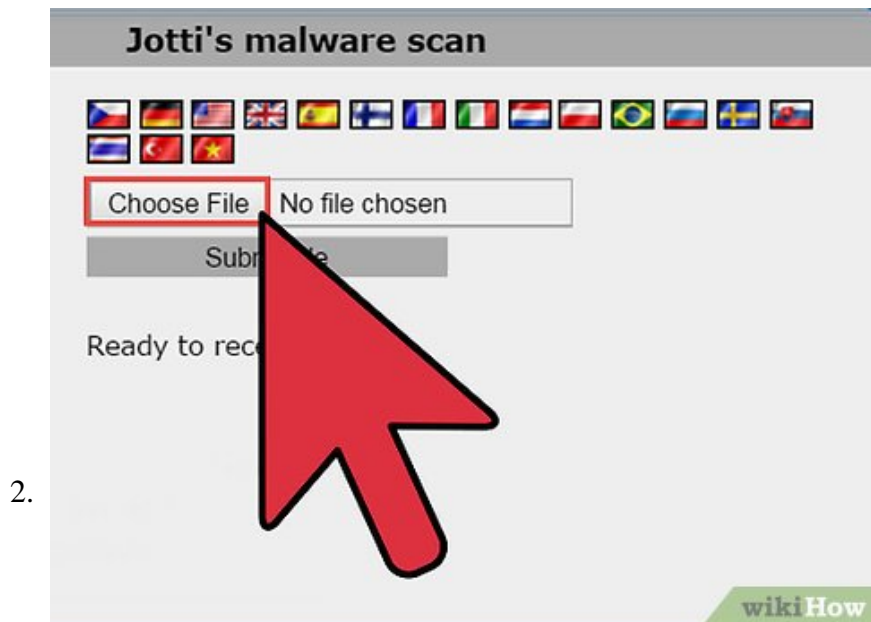
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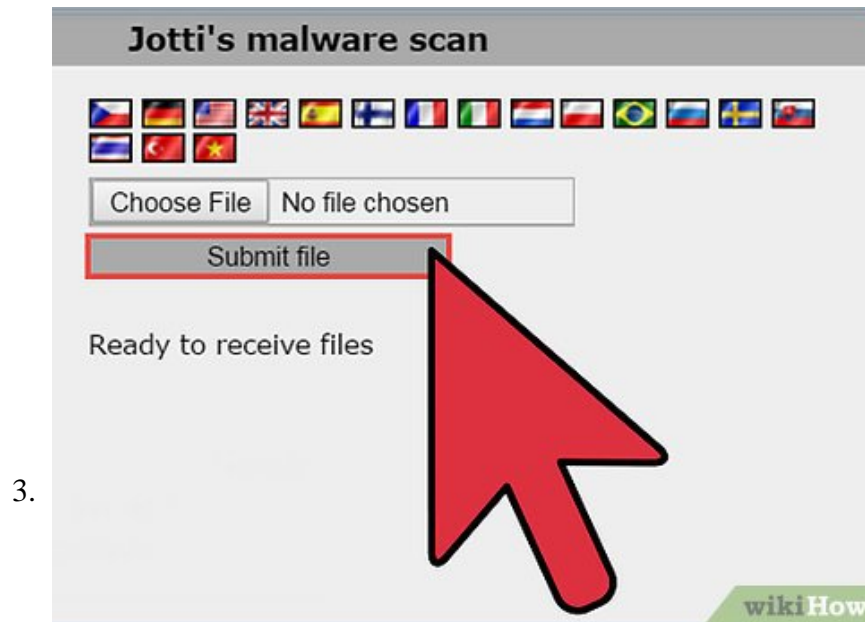
Jotti's Malware Scan



Open the Jotti website on your computer.



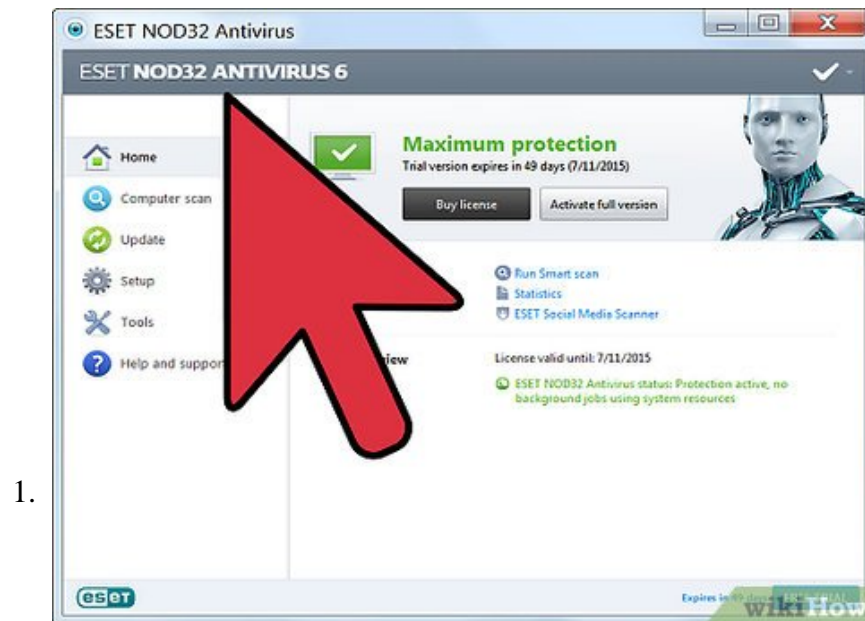
Use the Browse button to select the download that you want to scan for viruses.



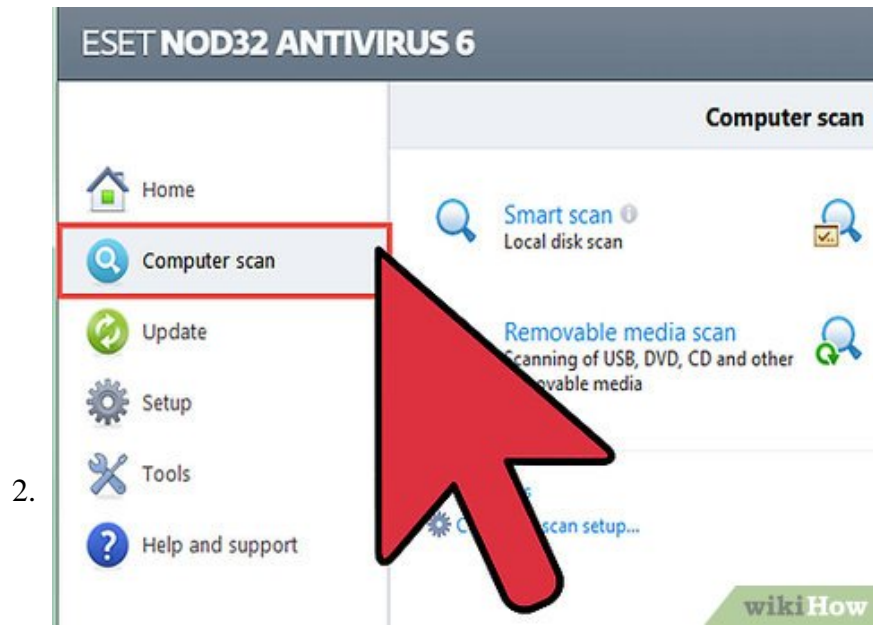
Hit the "Submit file" link. Jotti will scan the file and display a status message to let you know if any viruses were detected.

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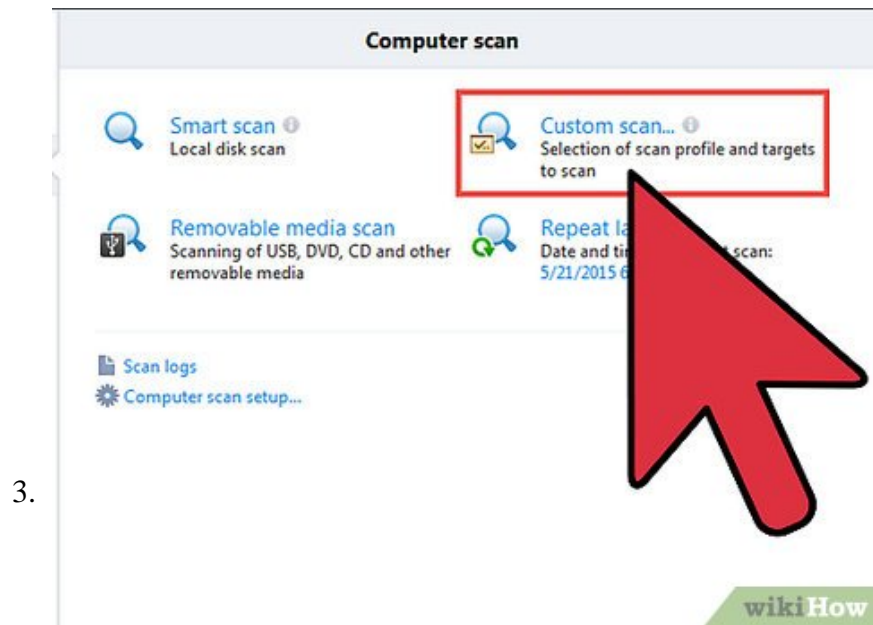
Anti-virus Program



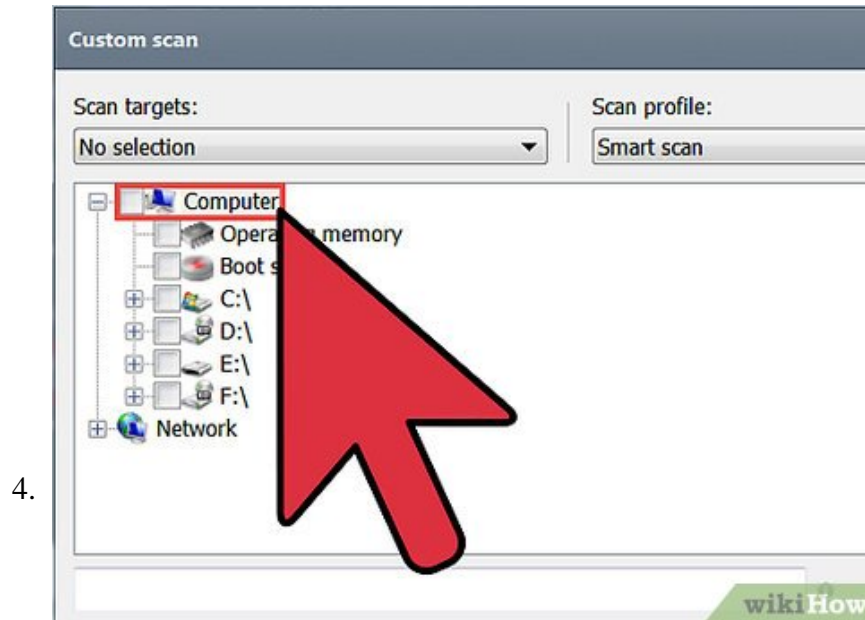
Open your existing anti-virus program.



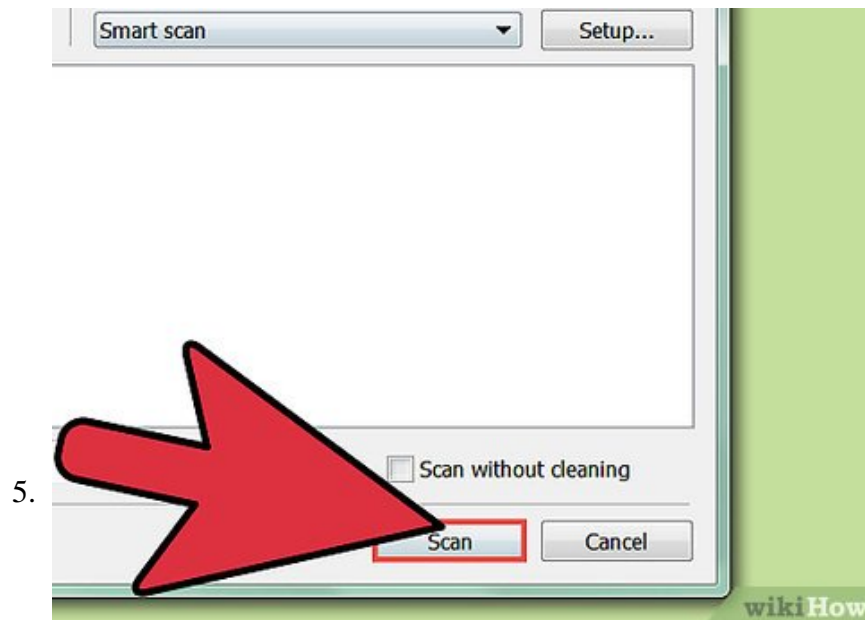
Open the Scan option.



Depending on what program you have, perform a Custom Scan.



Select the downloaded file as the file to be scanned.



Start the scan.

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