

How to remove AI features and unnecessary programs from your browser.

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Today, when you open any browser, you're immediately bombarded with AI assistants asking you to write emails, shopping sidebars offering discount codes you didn't ask for, and sponsored articles cluttering your new tab page. This is noisy, distracting, and, for many of us, completely undesirable.

Just the Browser is an open-source tool that removes unnecessary ads, AI chatbots, and tracking data, giving you a fast and private way to browse the web. It doesn't require you to switch to a specialized, unsupported browser version. Instead, it forces your current mainstream browser to function properly.

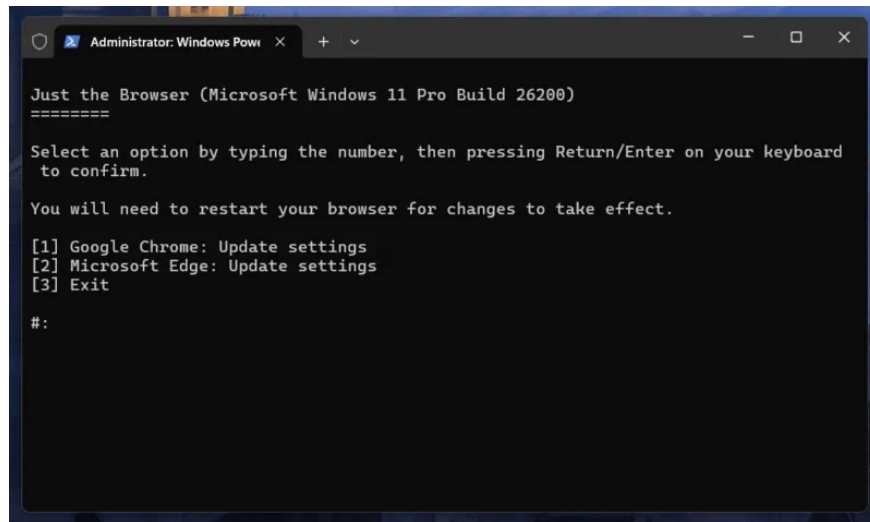
Install and set up Just the Browser

One of the best things about this utility is that it supports all major operating systems. It uses a script to automate the process, so you don't need to manually edit registry files or system folders.

On Windows, this tool uses a PowerShell script to apply registry changes. Simply right-click the **Start** button and select **Terminal (Admin)** . Then, copy the following installation command, paste it into your Terminal, and press **Enter** .

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The script will launch a simple menu.



Enter the number corresponding to the browser you want to clean (for example, 1 for Chrome, 2 for Edge) and press **Enter** .

Mac and Linux users can also use Terminal to download and run the setup script. Simply open your chosen terminal emulator and run the following command:

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/bin/bash -c "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/corbindavenport/just-the-browser)"
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The script will detect the browsers you have installed (Chrome, Firefox, or Chromium). Select your browser from the list, and the script will copy the necessary JSON policy files to the correct directory.

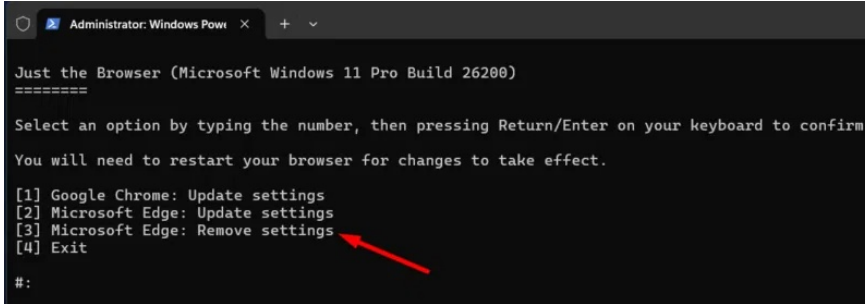
Once the script is complete, the changes usually take effect immediately. You just need to restart your browser (completely exit and reopen it). When you open Chrome or Edge the next time, you might see the message "Managed by your organization". This is great! It means the policies are working and the tool is successfully blocking unnecessary software.

Microsoft Edge Policies							
Policy Name	Policy Value	Source	Applies To	Level	Status	Show More	
AIGenThemesEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
AutoImportAIFirstRun	4	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
BuiltInAIAPhsEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
BuiltInDnsClientEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
ComposeInlineEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
CopilotPageContext	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
DefaultBrowserSettingEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
DefaultBrowserSettingsCampaignEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
DiagnosticData	0	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
EdgeHistoryAISearchEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
EdgeShoppingAssistantEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
GenAILocalFoundationalModelSettings	1	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
HideFirstRunExperience	true	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
Microsoft365CopilotChatIconEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
NewTabPageBingChatEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
NewTabPageContentEnabled	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
NewTabPageHideDefaultTopSites	true	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
NewTabPageSearchBox	redirect	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	
ShowAcrobatSubscriptionButton	false	Platform	Device	Mandatory	OK	▼	

Additionally, you can verify which policies are active in Firefox by typing **about:policies** into the address bar, while Chrome and Edge users should access **chrome://policy/** or **edge://policy/**. You will see a complete list of applied settings.

Uninstall it from your browser.

If you later want to uninstall Just the Browser, run the installation script again in the same way as you did when installing in PowerShell. A menu will appear with options to update and uninstall for a specific browser. From there, select the **Remove Settings** option and press **Enter** ; your browser will return to its default state.



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Administrator: Windows Pow... x + v
Just the Browser (Microsoft Windows 11 Pro Build 26280)
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Select an option by typing the number, then pressing Return/Enter on your keyboard to confirm.
You will need to restart your browser for changes to take effect.
[1] Google Chrome: Update settings
[2] Microsoft Edge: Update settings
[3] Microsoft Edge: Remove settings
[4] Exit
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Some drawbacks of Just the Browser

Just the Browser relies on the enterprise settings in Chrome, Edge, and Firefox, so the cleanup only works as long as those policies remain in place and function in the same way. If the browser vendor changes or removes them in future updates, those configuration files may need to be adjusted. The setup process also requires admin access, which can be problematic on company or school-managed computers where policy changes are restricted.

Furthermore, the policies implemented do not remove AI features from Google Search; they only affect browser software. It's also designed specifically for the desktop platform, so if you primarily browse the web on mobile devices, you will still see the AI features and other content there.

This tool is perfect for those who don't want to change browsers but want to remove unnecessary services from their current favorite browser. However, if you want to try a browser with similar functionality, you can try Vivaldi, SeaMonkey, Waterfox, or LibreWolf.

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