

How to turn on Windows Spellchecker on Chrome (Windows 10) to check spelling

The new Spellchecker tool will greatly improve the ability to support checking spelling errors on the browser.

Microsoft is one of the companies most actively involved in the development of the Chromium project - the support platform for Edge, Chrome, Vivaldi and many other popular web browsers. Microsoft's contributions benefit all browsers running on the Chromium kernel, not just Edge.

Last year, Microsoft announced that it would develop a new, more effective, more stable spell checking tool that could replace the default spell checker, 'Hunspell,' in use on Chromium today. In the new Edge 83 update released a few days ago, Microsoft officially introduced this new self-testing tool called 'Windows Spellchecker' with some notable improvements.

For its part, Google also appreciates Microsoft's ideas, and in fact this feature has also been integrated on the latest version of Chrome. However, Windows Spellchecker has not been enabled by default on Chrome but is currently hidden as a flag.

This collaboration between Google and Microsoft engineers is a good example of how effective open source collaboration will benefit the public. The new Spellchecker tool will significantly improve the ability to support spell check on the browser with the following main features:

1. Check for spelling errors for both URLs, abbreviations, and email addresses.
2. Get to know many new local languages and words
3. Share custom dictionaries.

By default, Chrome's Hunspell will also check spelling of email addresses, URLs, etc. in all text fields, including WordPress, Gmail, Facebook, Twitter, and most third-party websites.

Picture 1 of How to turn on Windows Spellchecker on Chrome (Windows 10) to check spelling

Hunspell and Windows Spellchecker

With Windows Spellchecker, you'll find fewer red underlines below your email address, acronyms, URLs, additional languages or local languages.

If you want to try the new Microsoft spell checking tool for Chrome, you can manually enable this feature by following these steps:

Step 1: Launch Chrome's test flag screen by typing ' **Chrome: // flags** ' in the address bar and hit enter.

Step 2: Find the flag named ' **Use the Windows OS spell checker** ' and enable it.

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Step 3: Relaunch the browser.

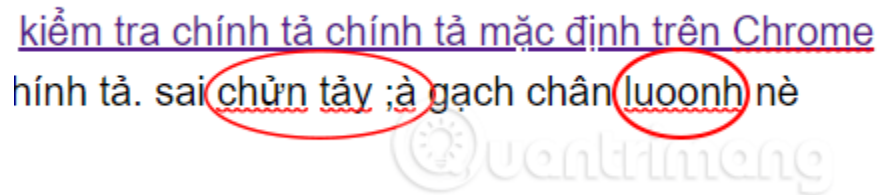
Windows Spellchecker is just one of more than 1,900 changes and additions that Microsoft has contributed to the Chromium platform over the past few years.

However, after turning it on, I found that even though I typed in both English and Vietnamese, I could not see the underlined word. I turned on spell checking mode in Windows 10 already.

Picture 3 of How to turn on Windows Spellchecker on Chrome (Windows 10) to check spelling

Perhaps having to go back to the default spellchecker on Chrome, although it doesn't detect 100% of misspellings, it also helps to significantly reduce common errors. If you often have to write long documents, you should use Google Docs and turn on the spell checking feature on Chrome, I find it very effective.

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