





***In this document I will be introducing you to our new home page. We will show you how to log in and set up a new account in iGoogle.***

What you will need is a computer connected to the Internet and a web browser.

**Step 1** Start up your computer, make sure you are connected to the internet and launch an internet browser like;  Internet Explorer,  Fire Fox,  Safari, or  Google Chrome.

**Step 2** Place your cursor in the address bar of your browser, not the search window.

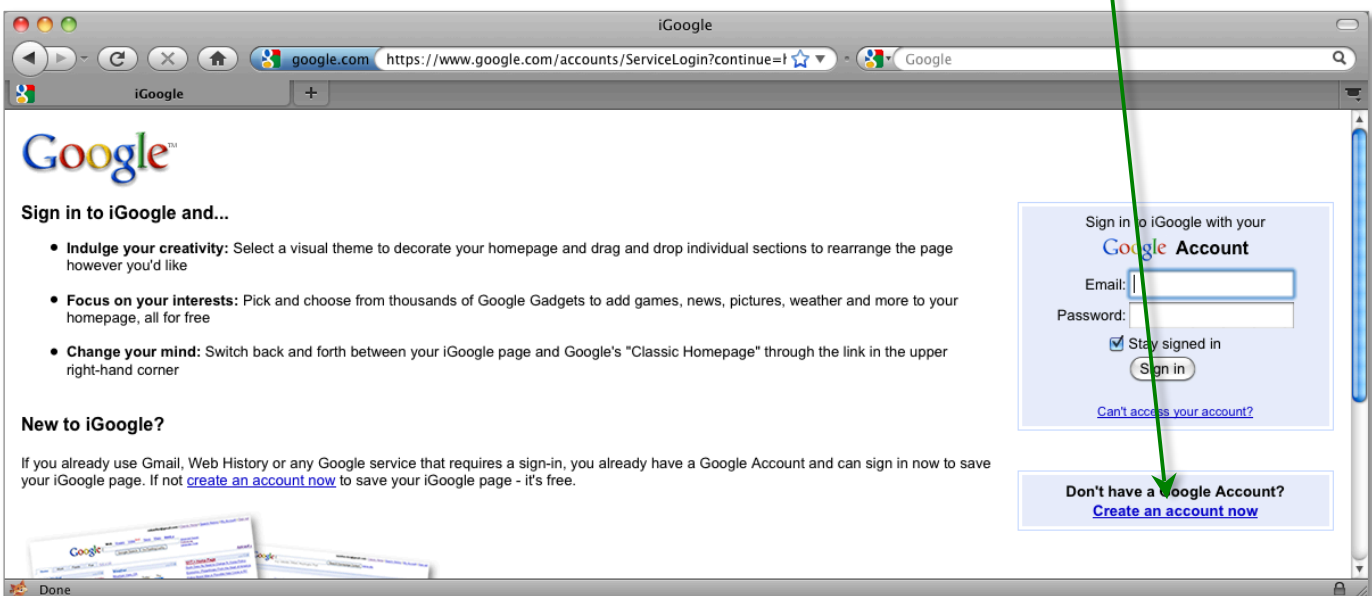


**Step 2 (continued)** Type in *google.com* and then press the Enter or Return key.

**Step 3** Using your mouse click on the link [Sign in](#).

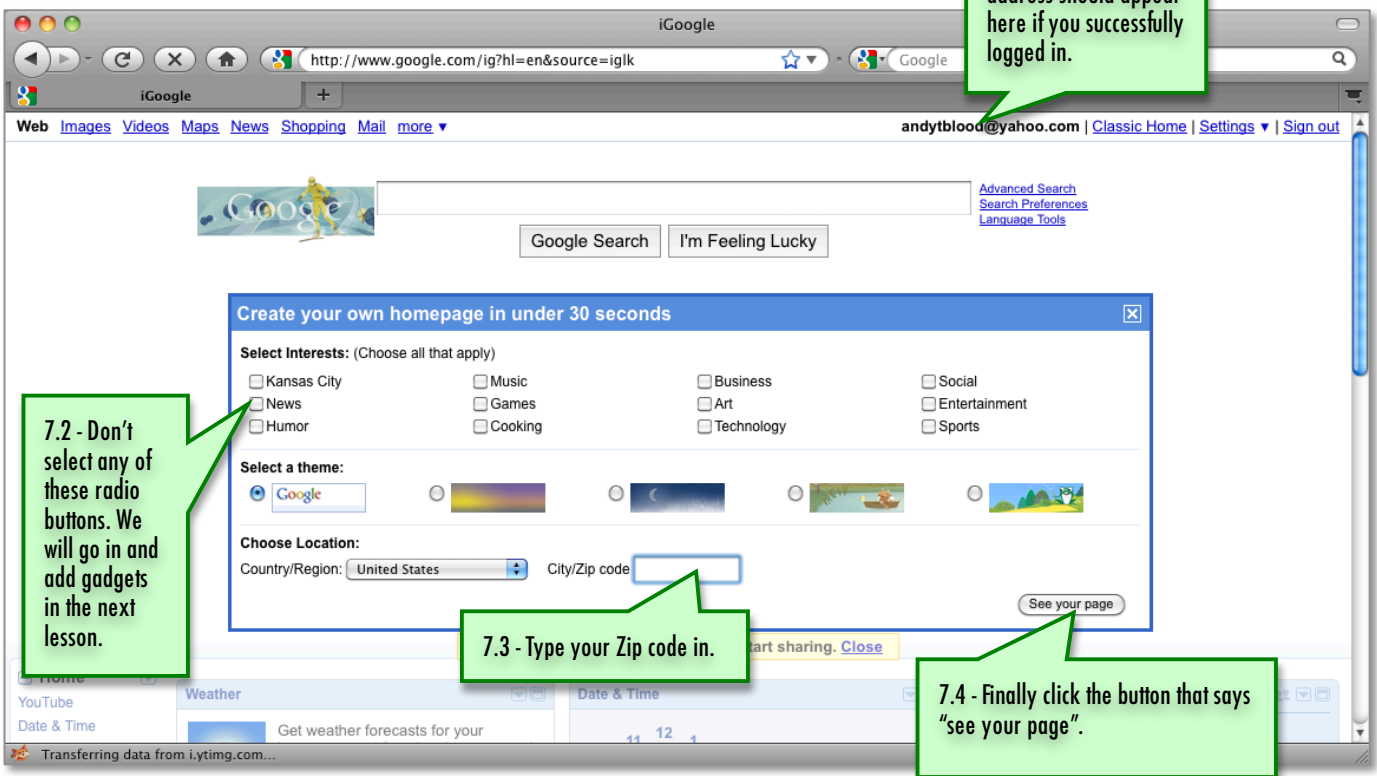


**Step 5** If you already have a Google account, all you need to do is log in and proceed to the next tutorial. If you don't have an account use your mouse and click on the link [Create an account now](#).



**Step 6** Fill in all of the information on the form and then with your mouse click the "I accept" button, which looks like this. 

**Step 7** You should get a dialog box that looks like this...



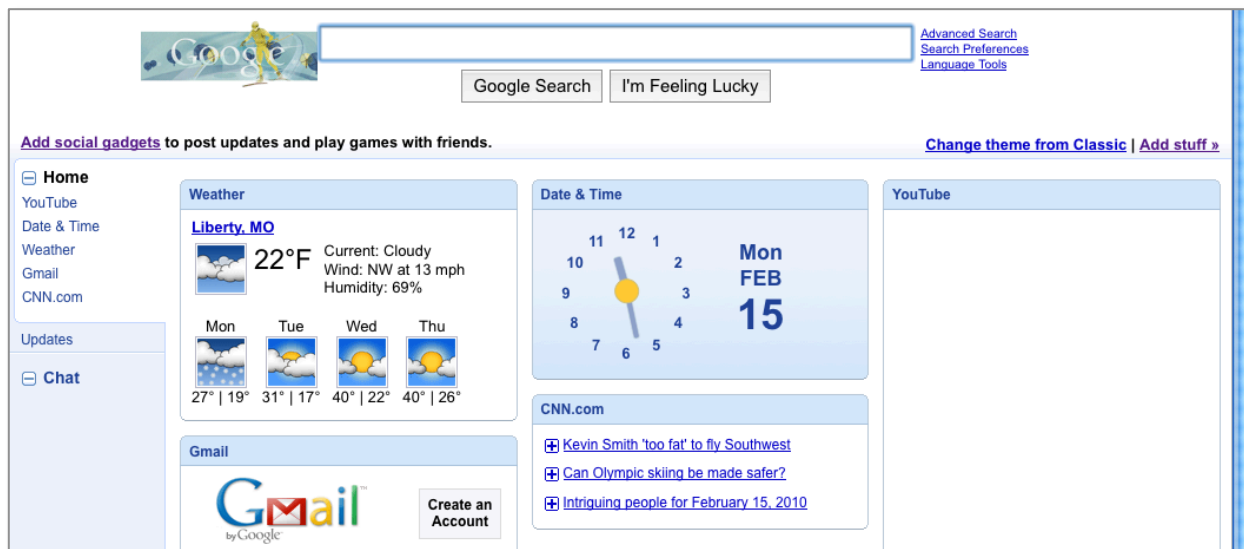
The screenshot shows the iGoogle account creation dialog box titled "Create your own homepage in under 30 seconds". The dialog box contains the following sections:

- Select Interests:** (Choose all that apply)
  - Kansas City
  - News
  - Humor
  - Music
  - Games
  - Cooking
  - Business
  - Art
  - Technology
  - Social
  - Entertainment
  - Sports
- Select a theme:**
  - Google
  - [Colorful background]
  - [Dark background]
  - [Landscape with boat]
  - [Landscape with trees]
- Choose Location:**
  - Country/Region:
  - City/Zip code:

Callouts from the image:

- 7.1 - Your email address should appear here if you successfully logged in.** (Points to the user email address in the top right corner of the browser window.)
- 7.2 - Don't select any of these radio buttons. We will go in and add gadgets in the next lesson.** (Points to the "Select a theme" section.)
- 7.3 - Type your Zip code in.** (Points to the "City/Zip code" input field.)
- 7.4 - Finally click the button that says "see your page".** (Points to the "See your page" button.)

If your page looks similar to the one below, congratulations, you are in and have an account. Proceed to lesson 2 "Adding Gadgets to your iGoogle homepage."



The screenshot shows the iGoogle homepage with the following layout:

- Header:** Search bar, "Google Search" and "I'm Feeling Lucky" buttons, and links for "Advanced Search", "Search Preferences", and "Language Tools".
- Navigation:** "Add social gadgets to post updates and play games with friends." and "Change theme from Classic | Add stuff >".
- Left Sidebar:** "Home" (with links to YouTube, Date & Time, Weather, Gmail, CNN.com), "Updates", and "Chat".
- Weather Gadget:** "Liberty, MO" with a current temperature of 22°F, cloudiness, wind, and humidity. A 4-day forecast is shown below.
- Date & Time Gadget:** A clock showing the time as approximately 10:10 and the date as Monday, February 15.
- YouTube Gadget:** A placeholder for a YouTube video.
- Gmail Gadget:** The Gmail logo and a "Create an Account" button.
- CNN.com Gadget:** A list of news headlines with expandable icons.