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There have been many social media platforms that have been very popular among the people. Since the early days of the internet, there has been a desire among people to have social media platforms that help them connect and talk with each other. Within a few years, we started to see platforms such as Google Talk and Yahoo Messenger coming and taking over the market. All of these platforms were popular, but they were soon replaced by WhatsApp.WhatsApp, since it came into the market, has become a leading platform for connecting with friends and family. It has now become a big platform for everything, from school groups to workplaces to even businesses. WhatsApp is one of the most popular social media platforms available in the market today. Its ease of access made it a global success, and in various parts of the world, it is today the dominant social media platform, replacing all the other big platforms.How to Use WhatsApp WebWhatsApp Web is an extension of WhatsApp, and it allows users to stay connected to their account whenever, wherever they are. It works just like a normal WhatsApp in that it allows people to connect seamlessly. Users, with the help of WhatsApp Web, can check out their status, send and receive messages, share photos or videos,, or manage their older conversations. This web platform offers ease to those who don't have access to their always open and want to stay connected.It is also great for businesses to stay connected to their clients on a big client on a desktop or a laptop.WhatsApp Web ensures that the conversation stays on. No matter what that device is, be it a Laptop or a desktop, WhatsApp works fine on all of them.It has a great user interface that is almost the same as the application on the smartphone and it connects quickly with the device to ensure the smooth transfer of information from one device to another.It is also very safe and secure.The WhatsApp Web can be used by going to web.whatsapp.com.Set Up WhatsApp Web on a PC, Laptop, or Tablet Using Your PhoneWhatsApp Web is a convenient way to use WhatsApp on your computer, in a way that is similar and seamless just like your smartphone. It helps you to use your phone alongside your other tasks on the web application of WhatsApp. Here are some step-by-step guides for setting up WhatsApp Web on different devices, PCs, laptops, or tablets:Setting Up WhatsApp Web on a PCStep 1: Open Your Web Browser Start by opening your preferred web browser (like Chrome, Firefox, Edge, etc.) and navigate to web.whatsapp.comStep 2: View the QR CodeOnce the page loads, a QR code will appear on the right side of the screen. This is needed to link your phone with WhatsApp Web.Step 3: Scan the QR CodeTo proceed, you'll need to scan this QR code using your smartphone's WhatsApp app.Step 4: Launch WhatsApp on Your SmartphoneOpen the WhatsApp application on your mobile device.Step 5: Tap on the Three Dots MenuOn Android devices, tap the three vertical dots located in the top-right corner of the screen.Step 6: Select 'Linked Devices' and Tap 'Link a Device'From the dropdown menu, choose Linked Devices, then tap on Link a Device.Step 7: Scan the QR Code Displayed on Your PC ScreenUse your phone's camera to scan the QR code shown on the web.whatsapp.com page.Step 8: Access WhatsApp Web on Your PCOnce the QR code is scanned successfully, your WhatsApp account will instantly be logged into the web version on your PC.Setting Up WhatsApp Web on a LaptopThe whole process is the same as using WhatsApp Web on a desktop. 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This section will demo how to send Emojis, GIFs and recorded messages with WhatsApp Web. Here are the steps: Click on the chat or group. To send Emojis, GIFs or stickers, click the icon on the left. Going back to the previous image, to record and send a voice message, click the icon on the right. If it is the first time you want to record voice message using WhatsApp Web, the app will request access to your microphone. A message similar to the image below will pop up. Check the box Remember this decision. Then click Allow. WhatsApp will start recording immediately. Start speaking. To cancel you message, click the icon labelled 2 below. When you finish recording, click icon labelled 1. When you click this icon, WhatsApp will send your recorded voice message immediately. If you may wish to disconnect your WhatsApp from the computer, here are the steps: Open WhatsApp on your phone. Next, click the 3 dots on top right of the App (highlighted in the previous image). 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