

Mozilla Preferences for use in DET Network

Mozilla is a freely available web browser that includes a web editing module known as *Composer*.

Composer can be used to edit web pages on your Intranet.

However, *Composer* holds its own preferences for things such as default Home page, and proxy servers, rather than referring to those preferences that are set by the *Mac OS X* operating system.

These settings are stored for each user, rather than for the computer.

Before *Mozilla* can be used as a web browser these settings need to be configured by *each user*.

This document describes how to setup these preferences.

Once setup these preferences will also apply to *Firefox*, and other *Mozilla* products.

1. Download the latest version of *Mozilla* from www.mozilla.org.

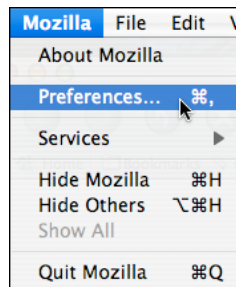
2. Start *Mozilla*.



*Note: If you are asked to launch the default profile, click on the option to create a new profile, provide a user name (not critical) then click on **Finish**.*

3. You will see the main *Mozilla* browser window, though no web site will be displayed, because the proxy server is not setup correctly.

4. Choose **Preferences** from the **Mozilla** menu

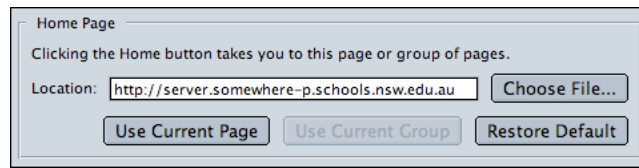


5. We need to change three settings:

- the default home page
- the proxy server
- the theme (optional)

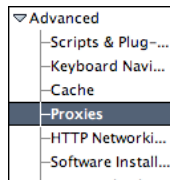
5.1. Change the Default Home page

In the main **Navigator** preferences pane enter the address of your preferred default home page (likely to be your Intranet address)

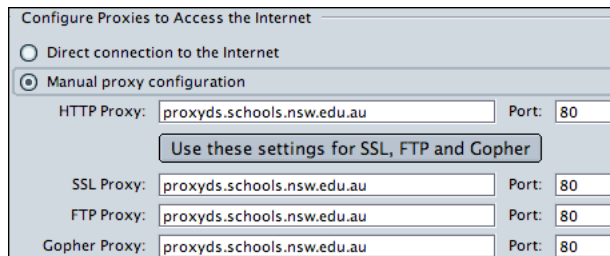


5.2. Enter the DET Proxy Server Address

5.2.1. Expand the **Advanced** section in the left pane and click on **Proxies**.



5.2.2. Enter the relevant proxy server information.



The current DET proxy server is *proxyds.schools.nsw.edu.au*, on port *80*.

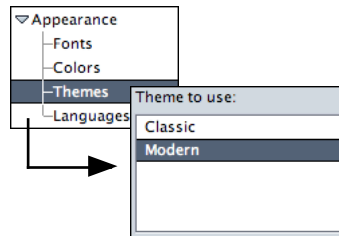
The new DET proxy server is, which will be used for the new secure Internet service, is *proxy.def.nsw.edu.au*, port *8080*.

You can also use your local proxy server address, if you have one (such as SENTRAL).

5.3. Change your theme

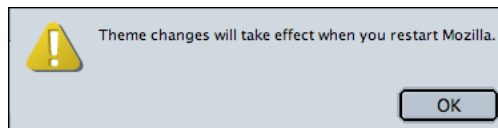
Not critical, but makes it all look nicer!

- 5.3.1. Expand the **Appearance** section in the left pane of the **Preferences** window, click on **Themes**, and select **Modern**.



- 5.3.2. Click on the **OK** button.

You will be warned that you need to restart *Mozilla* for the changed theme to take effect.



- 5.1. Restart *Mozilla*.

You should see your default Home page.



- 5.2. **Important:** Enter an address on the Internet to check that your proxy server settings are correctly configured.

- 5.3. Another document in this series explains how to use Mozilla to edit your Intranet web sites