

# Amonetize: What it is, signs to spot, and how to remove it

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## What it is

### What you may notice

- Extra banners, pop-ups, or tabs opening by themselves
- Random redirects and altered search/homepage
- New extensions or apps you didn't approve
- Slower browsing and unusual data usage

### How it gets in

- Bundled inside "free" installers or fake updates
- Rogue browser add-ons from untrusted sources
- Drive-by downloads from shady sites

### Remove it now (quick steps)

- Uninstall unknown apps and remove suspicious extensions
- Reset your browser to default settings
- Run a full scan with trusted anti-malware and reboot
- Check DNS/proxy settings; restore to automatic if changed

### Prevent it

- Download software from official stores only
- Choose Custom install and deselect extra offers
- Keep browser, extensions, and OS updated
- Use real-time protection and block malicious sites