

# HOT JAVA & COOKIES

## (CHECKING YOUR BROWSER'S SETTINGS)



### What is Java? What is a Cookie?

The SMG WORLDWIDE uses JavaScript and cookies for greater functionality throughout its site. In order to fully utilize these various functions make sure that your browser is JavaScript enabled and that your JavaScript function is turned on. Also, your browser should be set to accept cookies.

If your school has a technology specialist you may need to check with him/her before you try the following steps below. Your school computer technician will know the limitations to your web browser that have been pre-determined by the school's network. If your school is using a filtering or security system you may need to change settings related to those before following these steps.

### What's my Browser?

The first step is to determine what web browser version you are using. To access SMGWW successfully you have to use version 4.0 (or higher) of either Netscape or Internet Explorer. This is how you can find out what browser version you are using:

In both Netscape and Internet Explorer click on "help." Then select the "about" section from the help menu. The window that opens will tell you what version your browser is.

If you are not using version 4.0 (or higher) of either Netscape or Internet Explorer. Please go to the appropriate site below and follow the online directions to update your web browser:

For Netscape – <http://home.netscape.com/computing/download/>

For Internet Explorer – <http://www.microsoft.com/windows/IE/>

After you have downloaded the latest version of your web browser (4.0 or higher), the second step is to make sure that JavaScript is turned on and that cookies are accepted. Both the latest versions of Netscape and Internet Explorer will activate these functions automatically. However, if you are having problems with the SMG WORLDWIDE site, you may need to check your browser's settings.

## What is my browser set at?

***Please note that whenever you change your web browser's configuration settings, it is a good idea to exit the browser program and start it up again. This insures that the changes you have made have taken effect.***

### ***In Netscape***

Follow these steps to ensure that your browser is JavaScript enabled:

- Select "Edit" and then "Preferences" from the top menu bar.
- In the "Preferences" window click on "Advanced"
- On the right side of the window you will see a series of options. Make sure that there is a check mark next to "Enable JavaScript." If it isn't checked click in the square next to the text "Enable JavaScript."
- Select "OK."

Follow these steps to ensure that cookies are accepted:

- Select "Edit" and then "Preferences" from the top menu bar.
- In the "Preferences" window click on "Advanced"
- On the right side of the window you will see a series of options. Make sure that there is a check mark next to "Accept All Cookies." If it isn't checked click in the square next to the text "Accept All Cookies."
- Select "OK"

### ***In Internet Explorer***

To make sure JavaScript is turned on follow these steps:

- Select "Tools" and then "Internet Options" from the top menu bar.
- Click on the "Security" tab
- If you are using this to filter Internet sites on the browser be sure to check with your technology coordinator to make sure that your changes will not have an affect on the filtering. Highlight Internet and then select "Custom Level"
- Scroll through the options in the "Custom Level" window to the section on "Scripting" "Active Scripting" and "Java Scripting" should each have dots in the circles next to them. If they don't click in each circle to select it. (If you don't see these options listed under "Scripting" double click on "Scripting" to open it.
- Select "OK."

### ***In Internet Explorer 5.0***

To make sure cookies are accepted follow these steps:

- Select "Tools" and then "Internet Options" from the top menu bar.
- Click on the "Security" tab
- If you are using this to filter Internet sites on the browser be sure to check with your technology coordinator to make sure that your changes will not have an affect on the filtering. Highlight Internet and then select "Custom Level"

- ☐ Scroll through the options in the “Custom Level” window to the section on “Cookies.” “Enabled” should have a dot in the circle next to it. If it doesn’t click in the circle to select it. (If you don’t see these options listed under “Cookies” double click on “Cookies” to open it.)
- ☐ Select “OK”

### ***In Internet Explorer 4.0***

To make sure cookies are accepted:

- ☐ Select "Tools" and then "Internet Options" from the top menu bar.
- ☐ Click on the "Security" tab
- ☐ If you are using this to filter Internet sites on the browser be sure to check with your technology coordinator to make sure that your changes will not have an affect on the filtering. Highlight Internet and then select “Custom Level”
- ☐ Scroll through the options in the “Custom Level” window to the section on “Cookies.” “Enabled” should have a dot in the circle next to it. If it doesn’t click in the circle to select it. (If you don’t see these options listed under “Cookies” double click on “Cookies” to open it.)
- ☐ Select “OK”

Once JavaScript is enabled and cookies are accepted you should be able to log onto the SMG WORLDWIDE web site without any complications.

Please remember to exit and then restart your browser program so the changes you made will take effect.