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Safe Browsing or Filters Bypassing Tool?

There are situations when academic institutions or other companies block access to certain websites or other internet resources. Usually, the restriction is imposed in case of entertainment websites, but also other websites could be blocked only due to their popularity. The solution to get access to the desired web content is represented by web proxies. A web based proxy provides you a simple and safe method to request web content that is blocked by filters. A web proxy is usually a server side script (PHP, ASP, PERL) that will allow anyone to request a web resource, such as a simple web page for example, without making a direct connection with the restricted resource. The web page will be requested practically by the proxy, which acts like a buffer between the blocking filter and the visitor computer. On the Internet, there are many web based proxy services which can assure both browsing security by disabling malicious scripts and also by protecting the IP address and as a consequence your actions will be anonymous (but not for the server where the proxy is installed). Besides scripts, through a web proxy can be controlled stored cookies, image display status, meta tags stripping and more. The free web based proxy services are very easy to use: you just type the desired web address in a form and the script will perform the necessary actions that will maintain your presence anonymous. You can install even on your home computer a script which plays the role of a web based proxy. For example, [PHPProxy](#) is a simple PHP script that requires you to have only a web server PHP enabled. It consists of three files which must be copied in your htdocs directory. You can access the script directly from any web browser and your web navigation actions will be more safe, thus your overall computer security will be increased.