

## Downloading **WhatsApp for Android**

You can send and receive messages, photos and videos - as required for your assignments and activities.



### **Method 1:**

**Step 1:** Open the app from **Google Play** or **Play Store**. Search by typing the name of the app. The first one that pops up is the right one, although it is always good to check that the logo is correct, as well as the name (the full name of the “real” WhatsApp is **WhatsApp Messenger**). Alternatively, if you are surfing this page from your Android device, you can download the instant messaging app by clicking on [this link](#).

**Step 2:** Click on the WhatsApp app and then install it.

**Step 3:** To complete the download, you have to open WhatsApp and continue the installation.

**Step 4:** Next, you need to follow the instructions carefully in order to properly configure your user profile, including phone number verification.

**P.S.** When you install WhatsApp, whatever method you choose, it is good to know their rules on privacy.

### **Method 2:**

**Step 1:** From your mobile web browser, go to the [official WhatsApp website](#).

**Step 2:** On the website you will see a green box with “**Download Now**”. Click on it and it will start downloading.

**Step 3:** If for some reason an error occurs during the download, don’t worry. Just go to Settings, then Security, and finally select the “Unknown sources”.

**Step 4:** Now you just need to set the account as in Method 1.

Remember that **WhatsApp is totally free**, so you don’t have to pay for the messages. It uses your mobile’s internet connection and so as long as you are connected to a free Wi-Fi or you haven’t exceeded the data limit, you will not be charged by your mobile operator.