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eBook Intro

- What is an eBook?
- How do you read an eBook?
- Where do you get eBooks?
- How Much do eBooks Cost?

➤ What is an eBook?

- An eBook (Electronic Book) is a book-length publication in digital form, consisting of text and images.
- Most all recent hard cover books have an eBook equivalent.
- Some eBooks will not have an equivalent hard cover book.

*eBook... viewed
on Amazon Kindle
eBook reader*



eBook Intro

- How do you read an eBook?
 - On a dedicated eBook reader such as Amazon Kindle or Barnes & Noble Nook
 - Tablet pc
 - Smartphone
 - Your home computer



eBook Intro

➤ What special features do eBook readers have?

- Typically they have displays that are very easy on the eyes to read. E-ink (used on B/W readers) can be read in direct sunlight and is closest to a real book. E-ink readers have very long battery life (typically weeks).
- Most readers today can hold thousands of eBooks.
- Allow you to adjust the text size to **your** liking.
- You don't need to keep your entire library on the reader. Most books can stay in the cloud and only be downloaded to the device as needed.

➤ How do you turn pages on an eBook reader?

- Most readers allow you to swipe to the next page. Early readers typically used a button.

eBook Intro – Kindle Options

| Kindle Model | List Price | Screen Size | Book Capacity | Color – B/W | Resolution (ppi) | Lighted ? | Comment |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| Basic | \$79 | 6" | >1,000 | B/W | 167 | No (like a book) | Latest model has touchscreen |
| Paper-white | \$129 | 6" | >1,000 | B/W | 212 | Yes | |
| Voyage | \$199 | 6" | >1,000 | B/W | 300 | Yes (auto) | launched 10/14. Page turning press feature |
| Fire (4 models) | 99 - 379 | 6 – 8.9 | >1,000 | Color | LCD | Yes | Books+movies+web... like a tablet. |

➤ Amazon Kindle Features

- Book reading software virtually the same in all
- Built in dictionary
- Adjustable text size (8 sizes)
- Fire has much less battery life than B/W

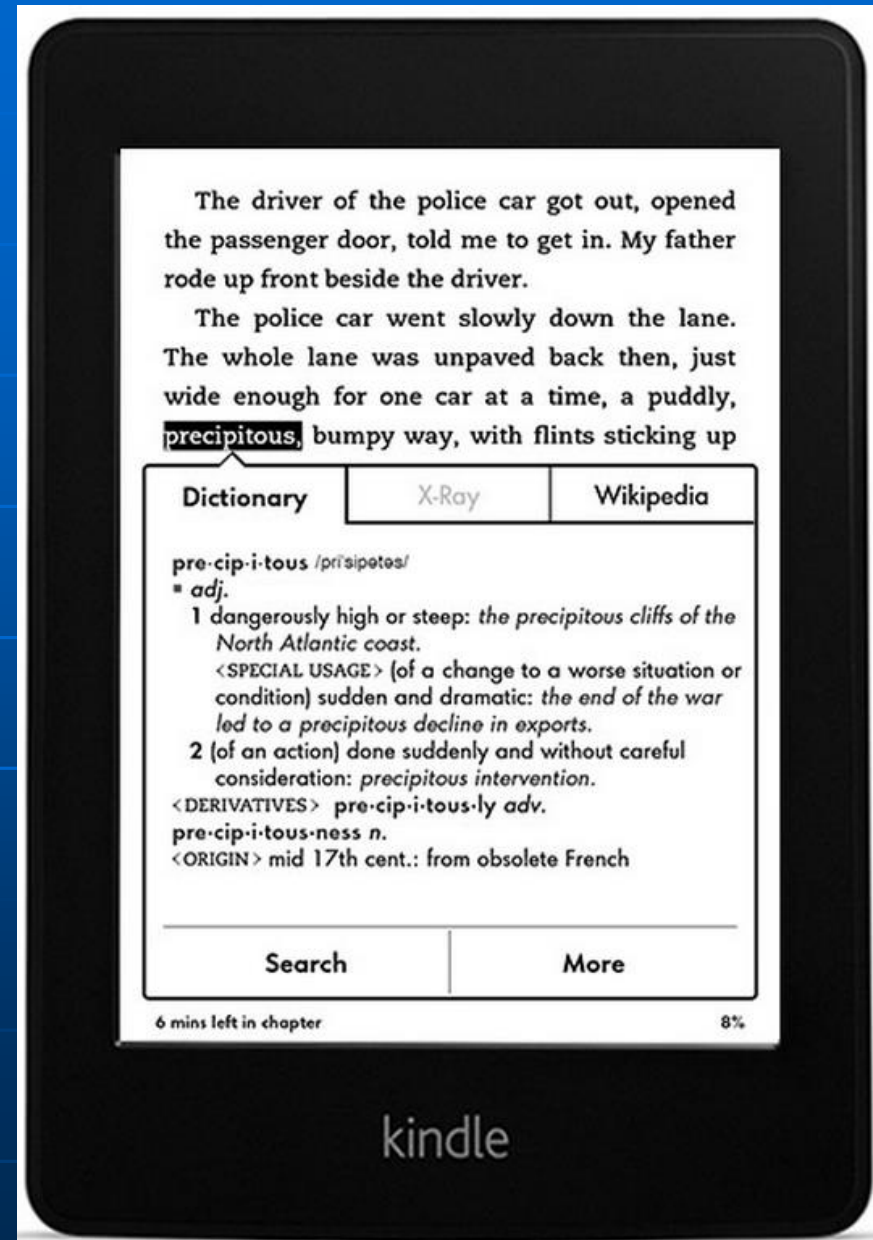
Touch vs
White

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cCABANTxX-s>

eBook Intro – Kindle Dictionary

➤ Kindle Dictionary

- Oxford Dictionary Lookup
- X-Ray
 - See all passages that reference a specific idea or character
- Wikipedia lookup



eBook Intro – Where to Get eBooks

- Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Google Playstore, and Apple iTunes are major sources.
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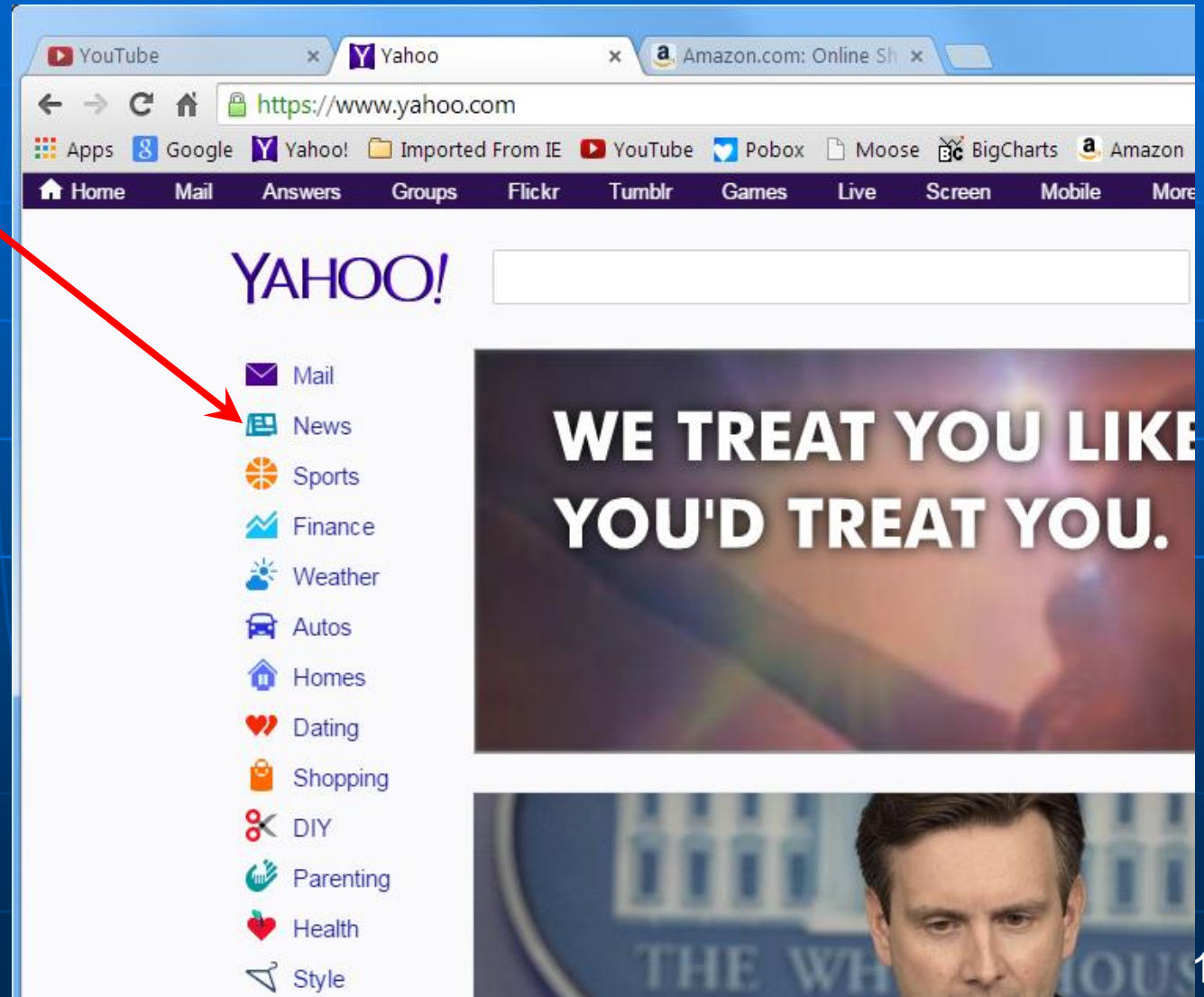
➤ How Much do eBooks Cost?

- Most eBooks cost less than the physical book.
- There are a variety of free and low cost eBooks available. However, you will pay more for major releases and best-sellers.

Clicking Links on Web Pages

Click the "News" link and the link will open in either:

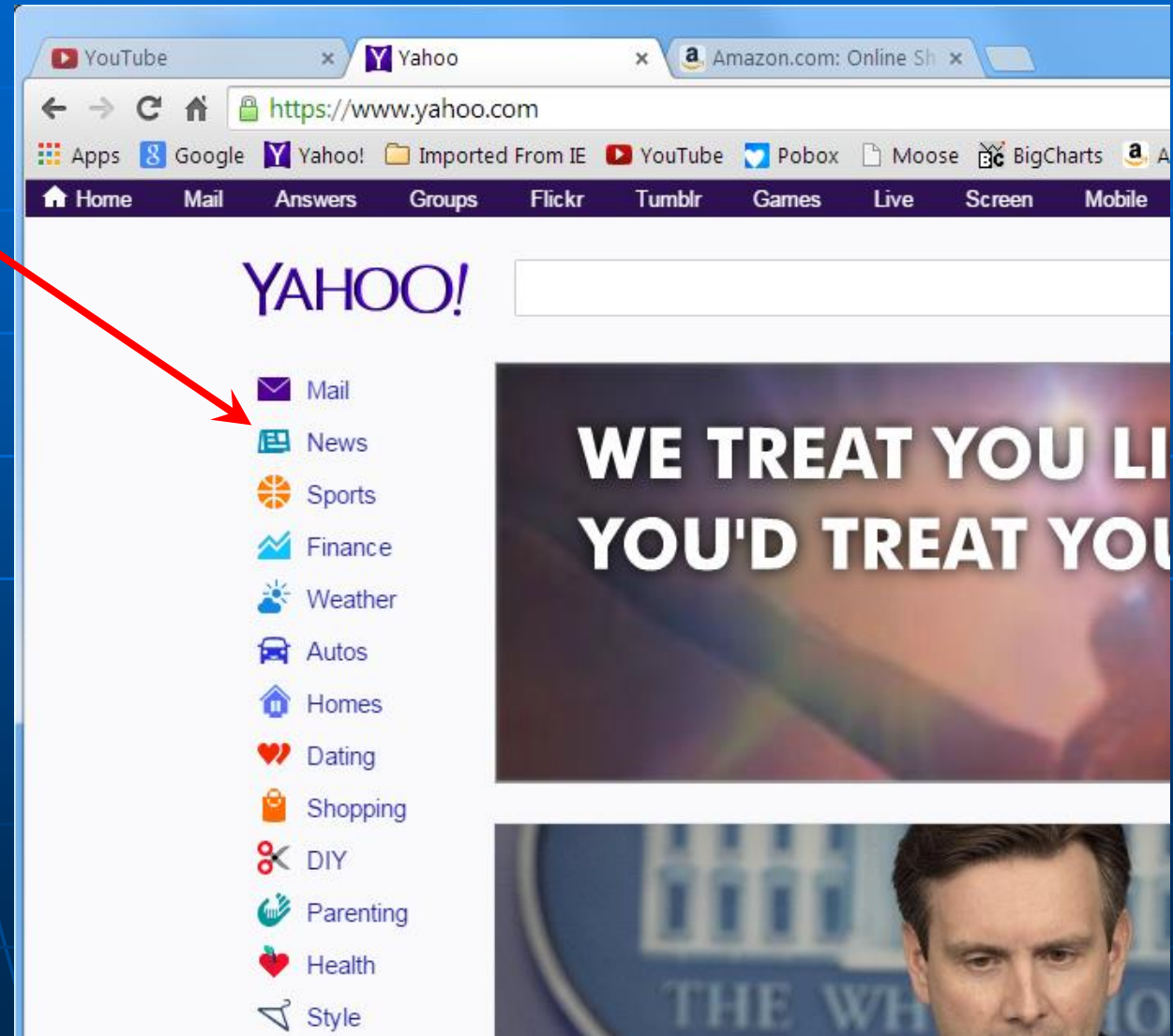
- 1) A new web browser window
- 2) A new tab in the existing browser (making 4 tabs open)
- 3) Replace the content on the existing tab



Clicking Links on Web Pages

Right Click the "News" link and you get a contextual menu:

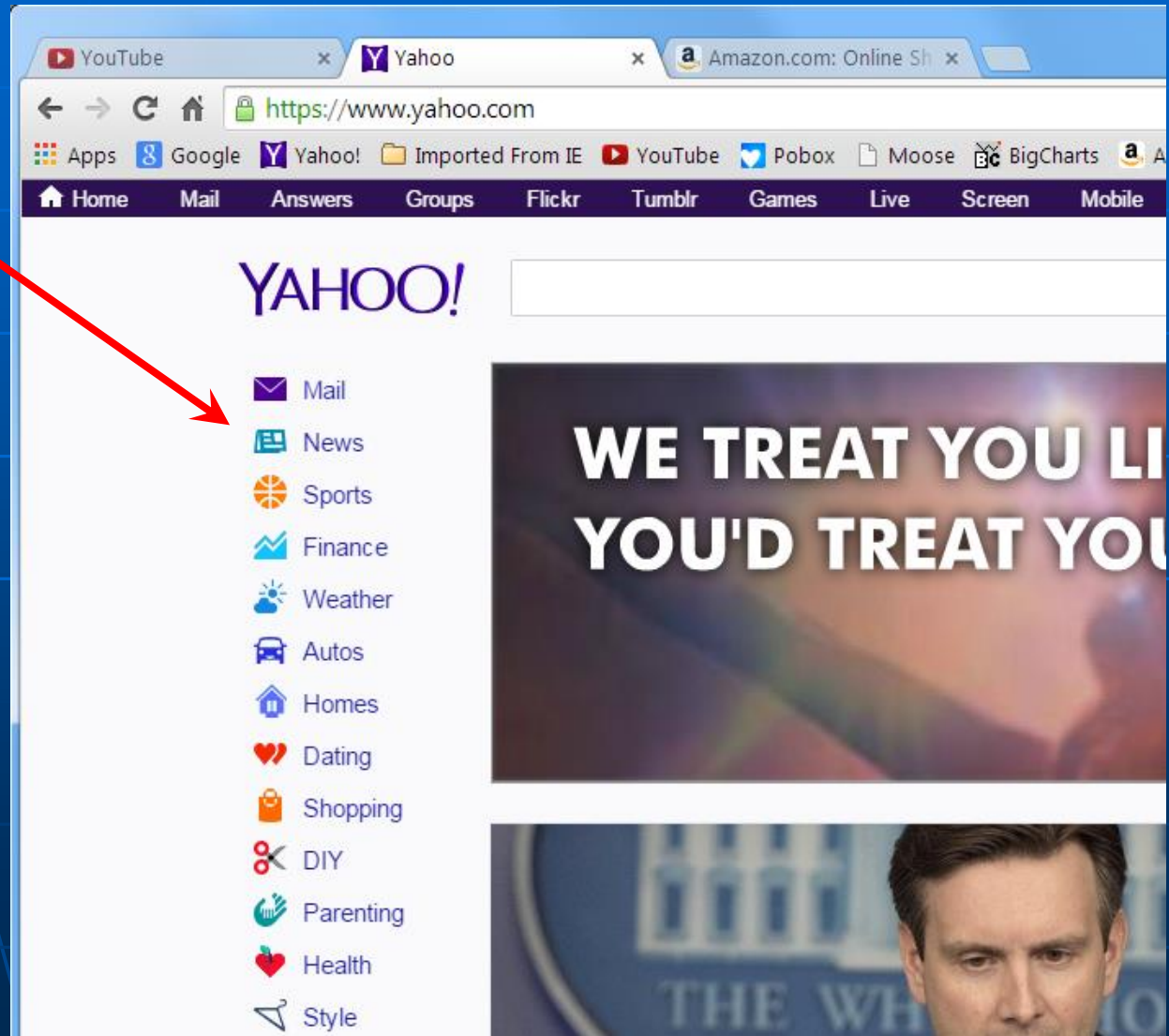
- Open link in new tab
- Open link in new window
- Open link in incognito window
- Save link as...
- Copy link address



Opening Links onto a new Tab

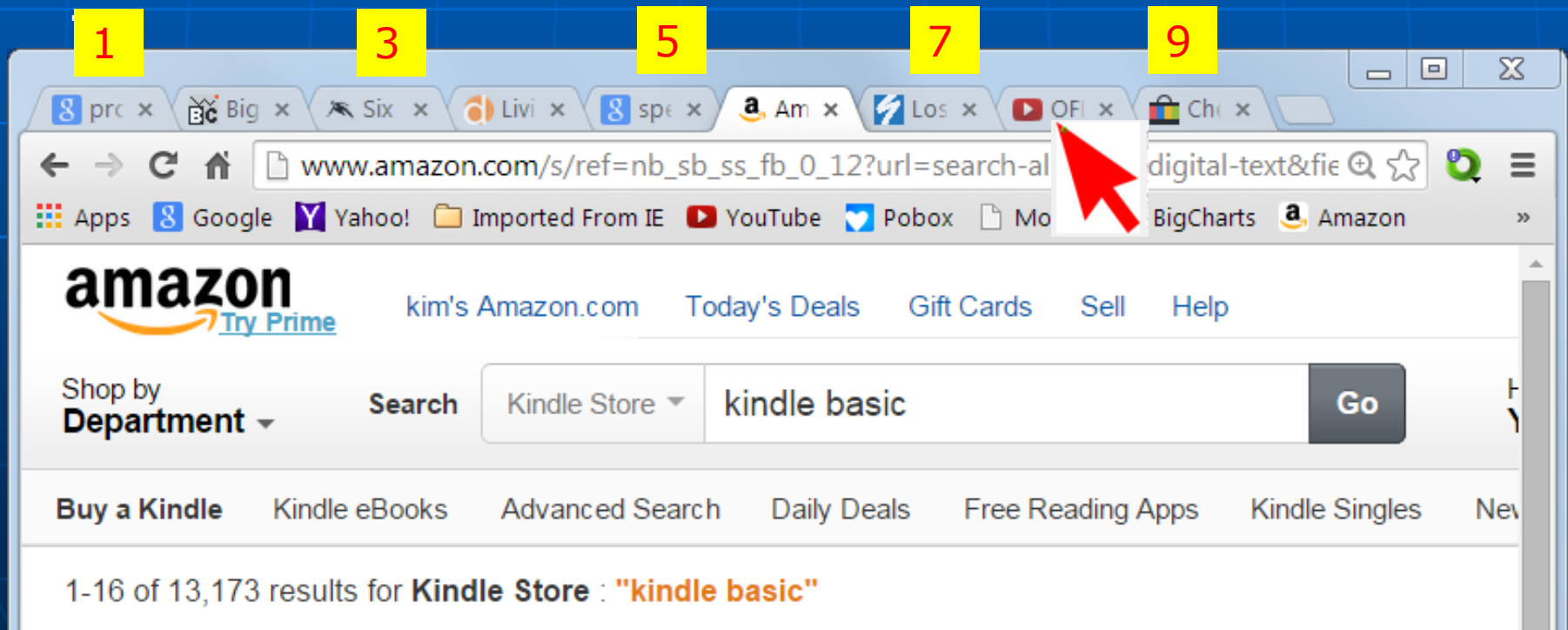
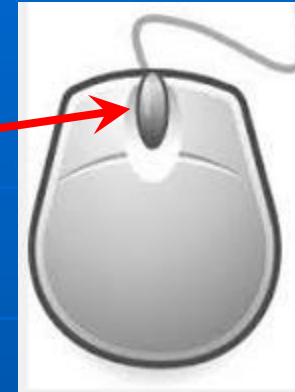
If you want to open "News" link in a new tab:

- 1) Rt Click the contextual menu, or:
- 2) Click down on the mouse scroll wheel.



Closing Web Page Tabs

The browser window shown below has 9 tabs open. To quickly close any tab, place the mouse over that tab, and click down on the mouse scroll wheel. In the window below, the mouse is over tab #8, so clicking the mouse scroll wheel will close that tab.



Fun Oddity Webpage



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majestic
village

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baby goat



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