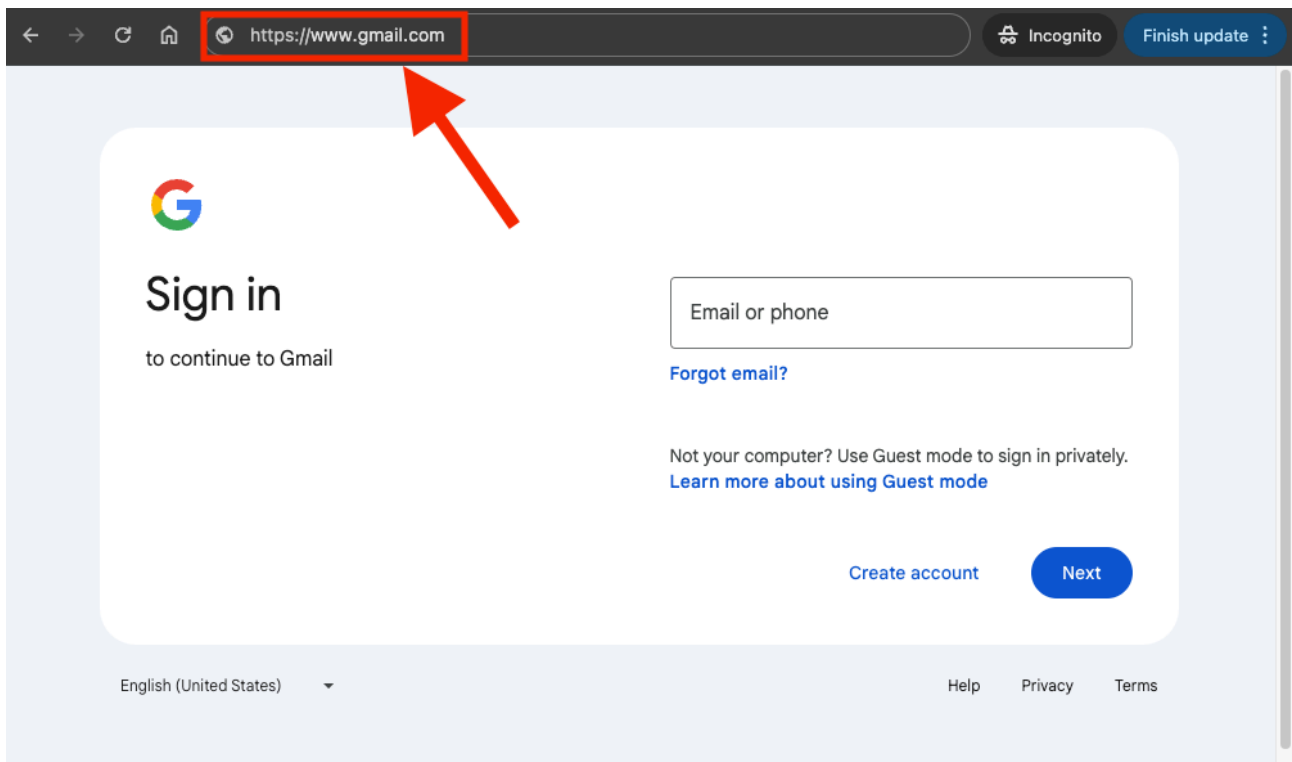




# How to Create a Gmail Account

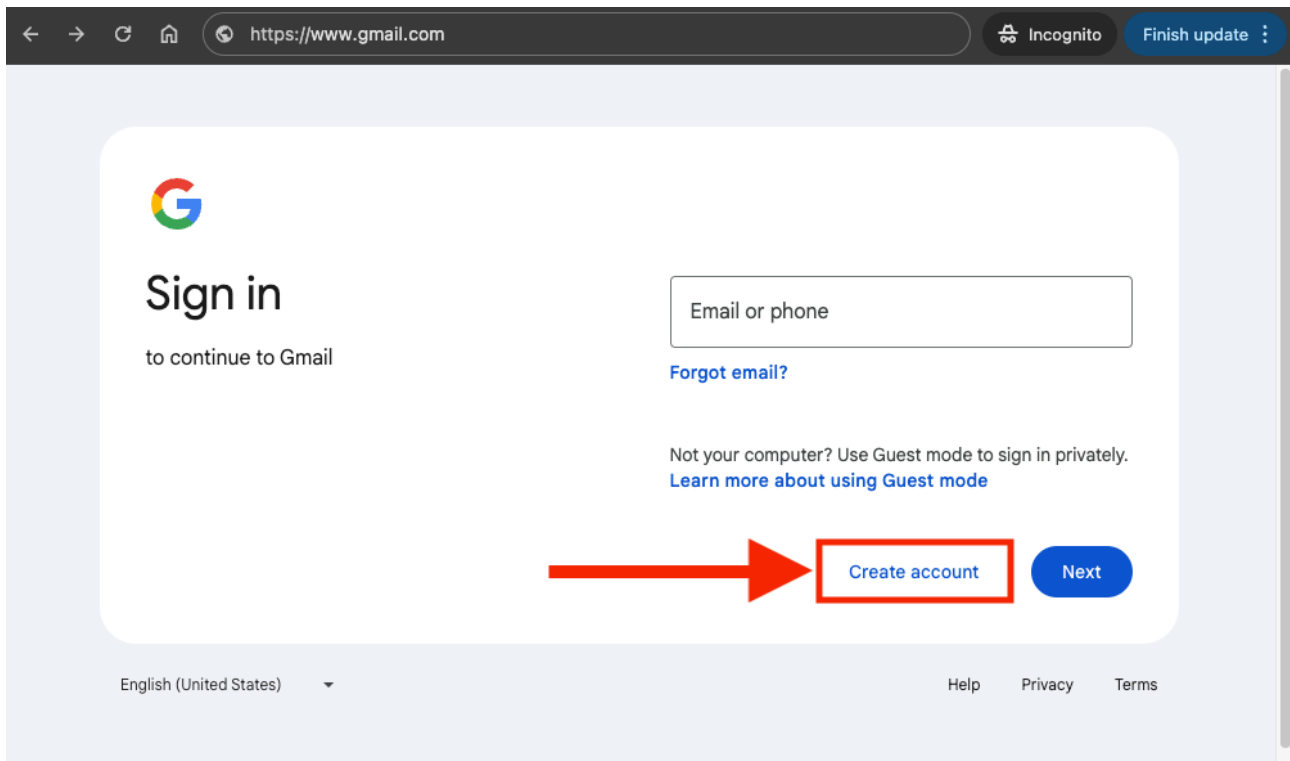
## Step 1: Go to the Gmail website and Sign in

Open your web browser and navigate to [www.gmail.com](https://www.gmail.com).



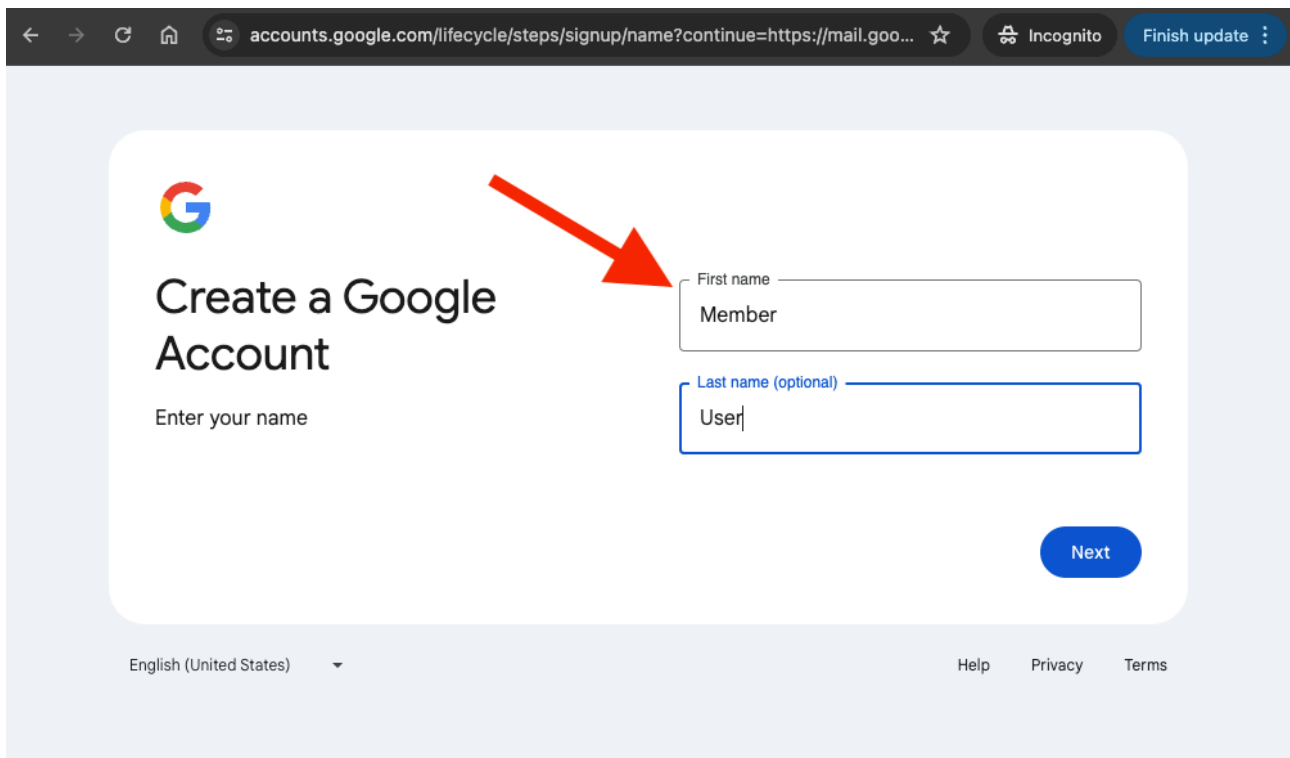
## Step 2: Click on "Create account"

Look for the "Create account" button and click on it.



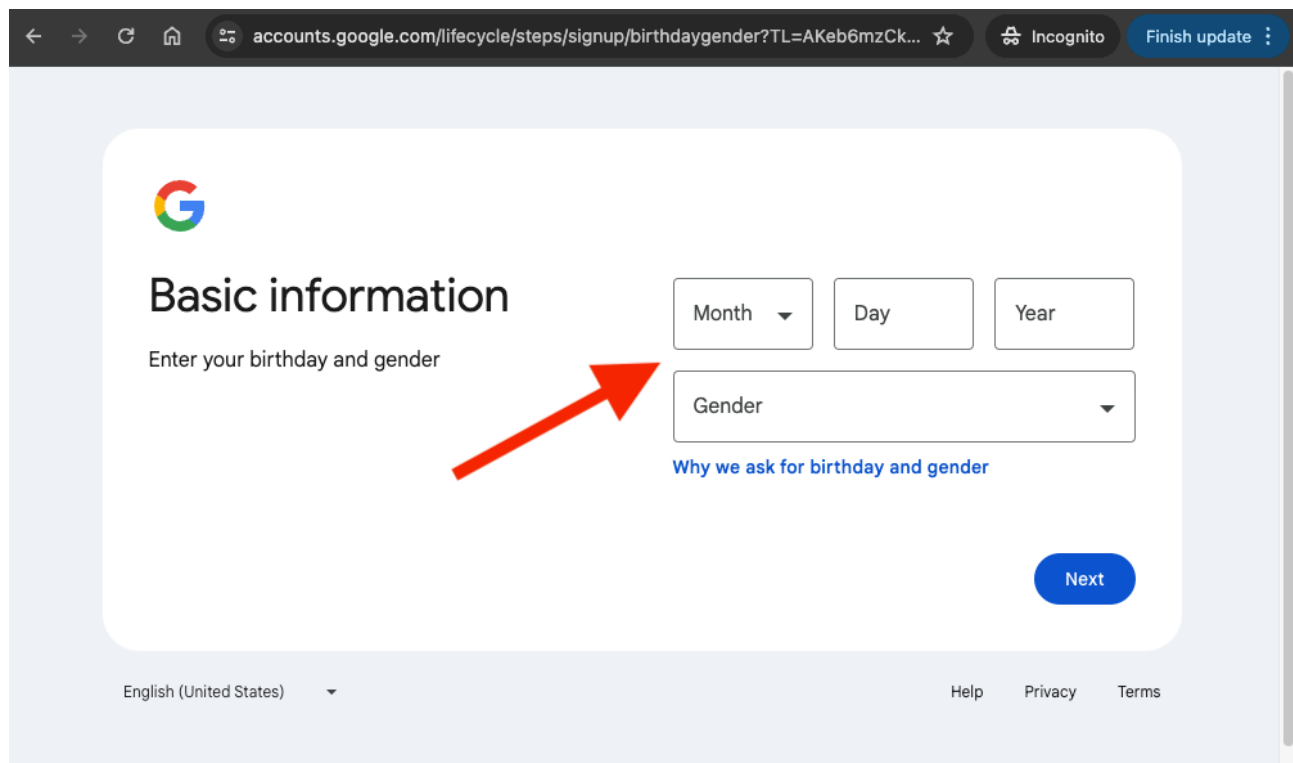
## Step 3: Create a Google Account

Enter your first and last name (Last name is optional) and click next.



## Step 4: Fill in your information

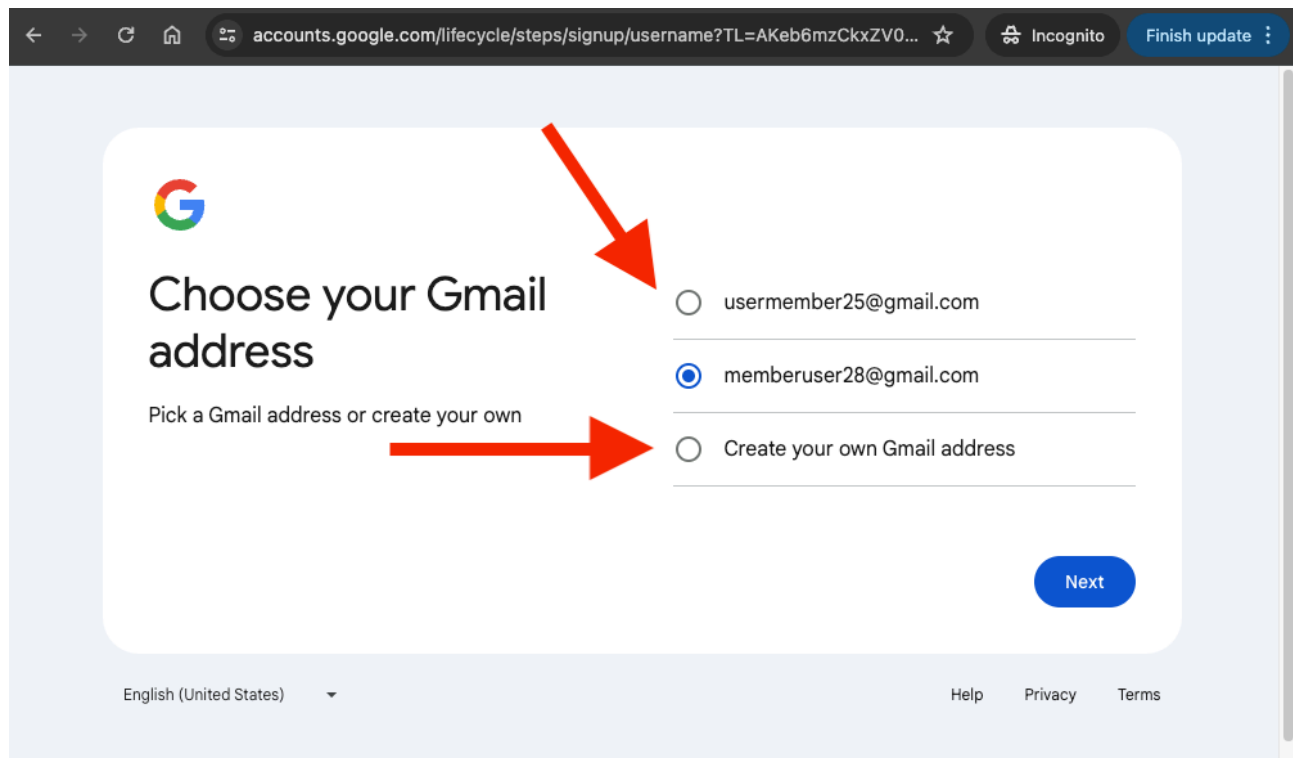
Fill in basic information and click next.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/lifecycle/steps/signup/birthdaygender?TL=Akeb6mzCk...`. The page title is "Basic information" and the instruction is "Enter your birthday and gender". There are three input fields for "Month", "Day", and "Year", and a "Gender" dropdown menu. A red arrow points to the "Gender" dropdown. Below the fields is a link that says "Why we ask for birthday and gender". A blue "Next" button is at the bottom right. At the bottom of the page, there is a language selector set to "English (United States)" and links for "Help", "Privacy", and "Terms".

## Step 5: Choose your Gmail address

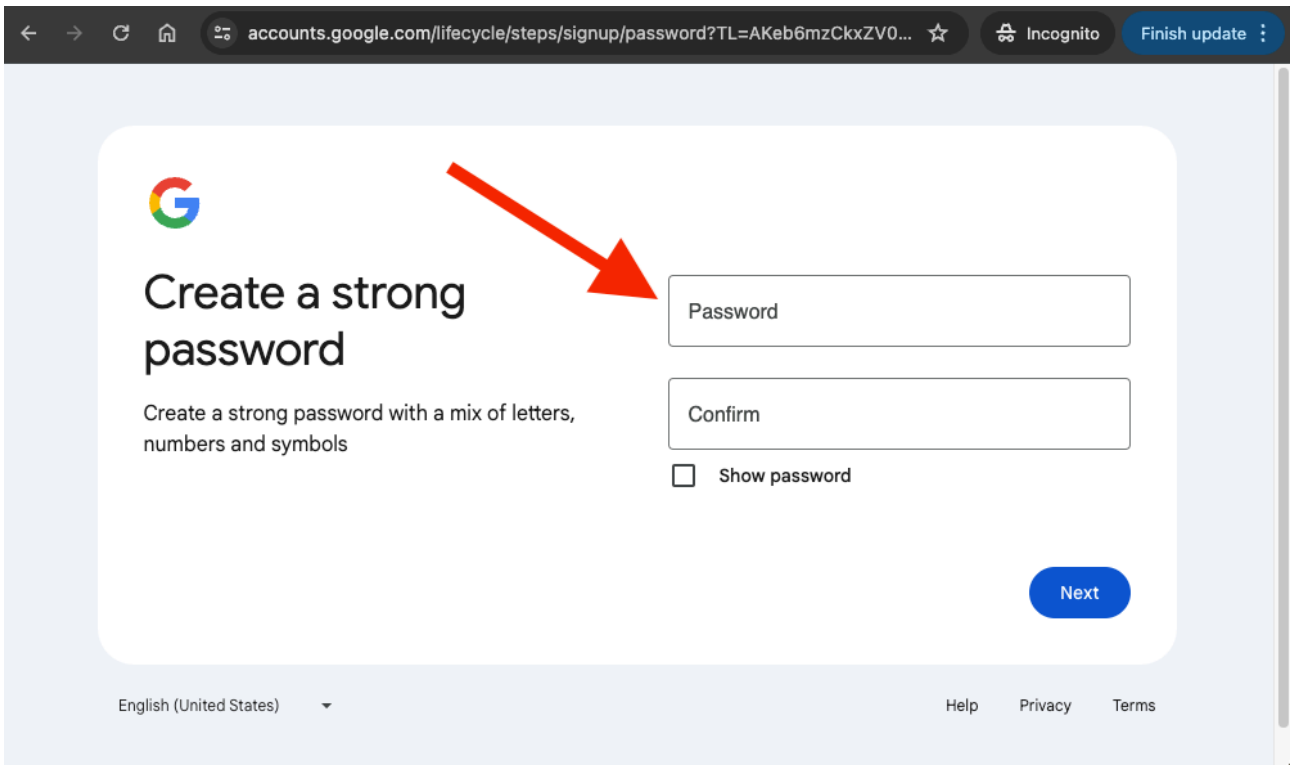
Pick a Gmail address or create your own and click next.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/lifecycle/steps/signup/username?TL=Akeb6mzCkxZV0...`. The page title is "Choose your Gmail address" and the instruction is "Pick a Gmail address or create your own". There are three radio button options: "usermember25@gmail.com", "memberuser28@gmail.com" (which is selected), and "Create your own Gmail address". A red arrow points to the "memberuser28@gmail.com" option, and another red arrow points to the "Create your own Gmail address" option. A blue "Next" button is at the bottom right. At the bottom of the page, there is a language selector set to "English (United States)" and links for "Help", "Privacy", and "Terms".

## Step 6: Create a strong password

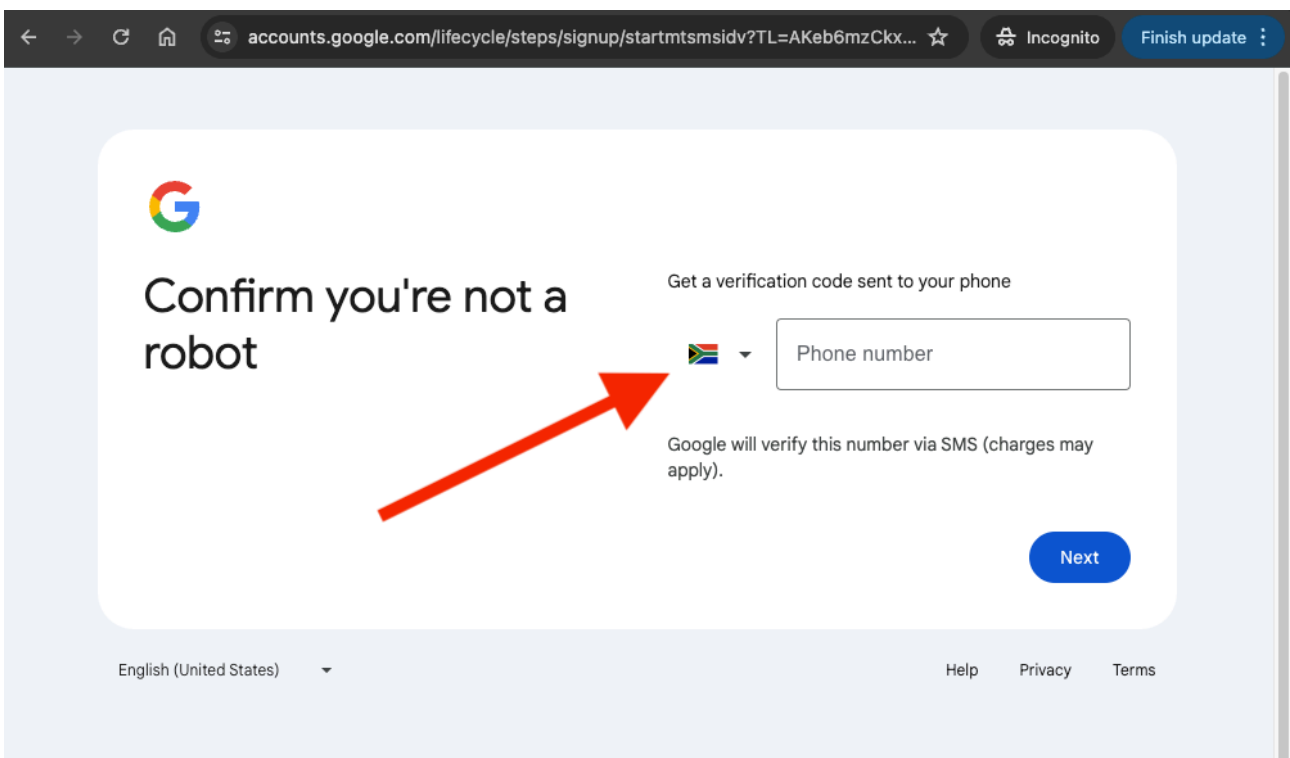
Create a strong password with a mix of letters, numbers and symbols and click next.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/lifecycle/steps/signup/password?TL=AKeb6mzCkxZV0...`. The page features the Google logo and the heading "Create a strong password". Below the heading is the instruction: "Create a strong password with a mix of letters, numbers and symbols". There are two input fields: "Password" and "Confirm". A checkbox labeled "Show password" is present. A red arrow points to the "Password" field. A blue "Next" button is located at the bottom right. At the bottom of the page, there is a language selector set to "English (United States)" and links for "Help", "Privacy", and "Terms".

## Step 7: Confirm you're not a robot

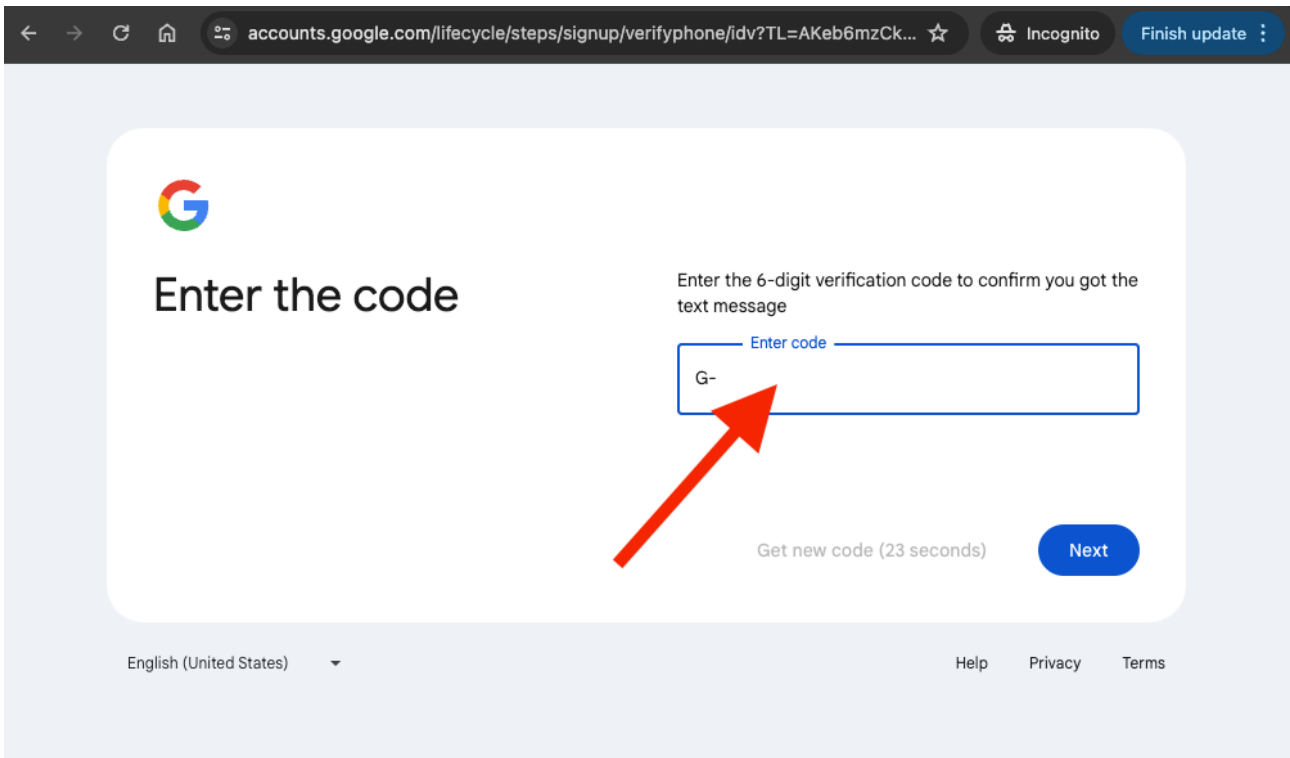
Get a verification code sent to your phone.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/lifecycle/steps/signup/startmtsmsidv?TL=AKeb6mzCkx...`. The page features the Google logo and the heading "Confirm you're not a robot". Below the heading is the instruction: "Get a verification code sent to your phone". There is a dropdown menu for country selection (currently showing South Africa) and a "Phone number" input field. A red arrow points to the country dropdown. Below the input fields is the text: "Google will verify this number via SMS (charges may apply)". A blue "Next" button is located at the bottom right. At the bottom of the page, there is a language selector set to "English (United States)" and links for "Help", "Privacy", and "Terms".

## Step 8: Enter the code

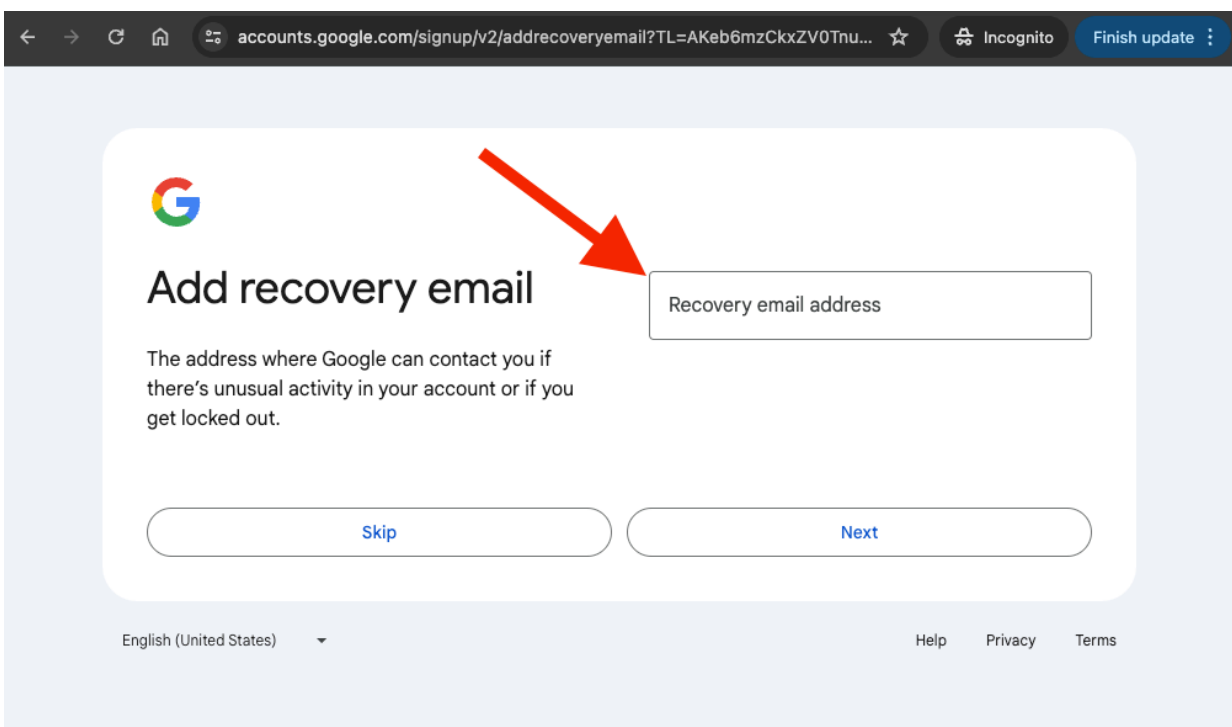
Enter the 6-digit verification code sent to your phone to confirm you got the text message.



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## Step 9: Add recovery email (Optional)

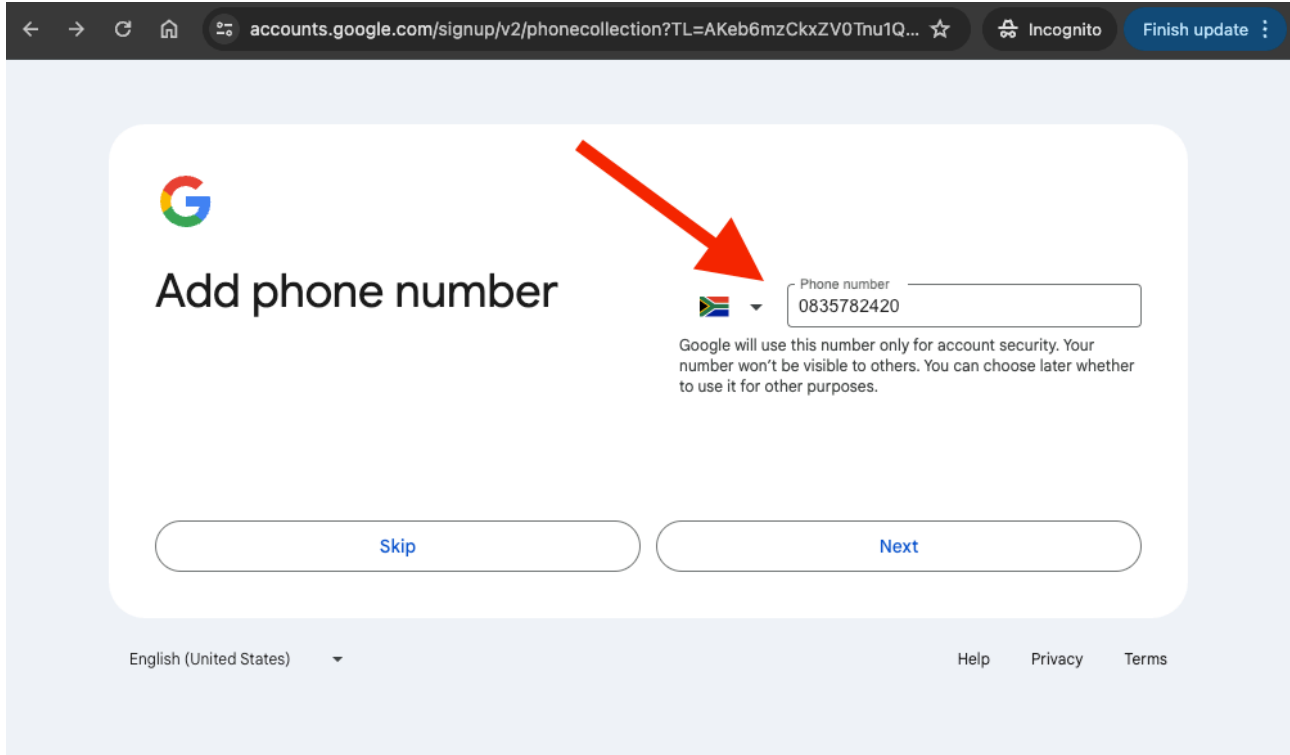
The address where Google can contact you if there's unusual activity in your account or if you get locked out.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/signup/v2/addrecoveryemail?TL=AKeb6mzCkxZV0Tnu...`. The page features the Google logo and the heading "Add recovery email". Below the heading, there is a text prompt: "The address where Google can contact you if there's unusual activity in your account or if you get locked out." A text input field is present with the label "Recovery email address". A red arrow points to this input field. At the bottom of the page, there are two buttons: "Skip" and "Next". At the bottom of the page, there is a language selector set to "English (United States)" and links for "Help", "Privacy", and "Terms".


## Step 10: Add phone number (Optional)


Google will use this number only for account security. Your number won't be visible to others. You can choose later whether to use it for other purposes.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/signup/v2/phonecollection?TL=AKeb6mzCkxZV0Tnu1Q...`. The page title is "Add phone number" and features the Google logo. A red arrow points to a dropdown menu showing the South African flag. To the right of the dropdown is a text input field labeled "Phone number" containing the value "0835782420". Below the input field, a message states: "Google will use this number only for account security. Your number won't be visible to others. You can choose later whether to use it for other purposes." At the bottom of the form are two buttons: "Skip" and "Next". The footer includes "English (United States)", "Help", "Privacy", and "Terms".

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 Add phone number

 Phone number 0835782420

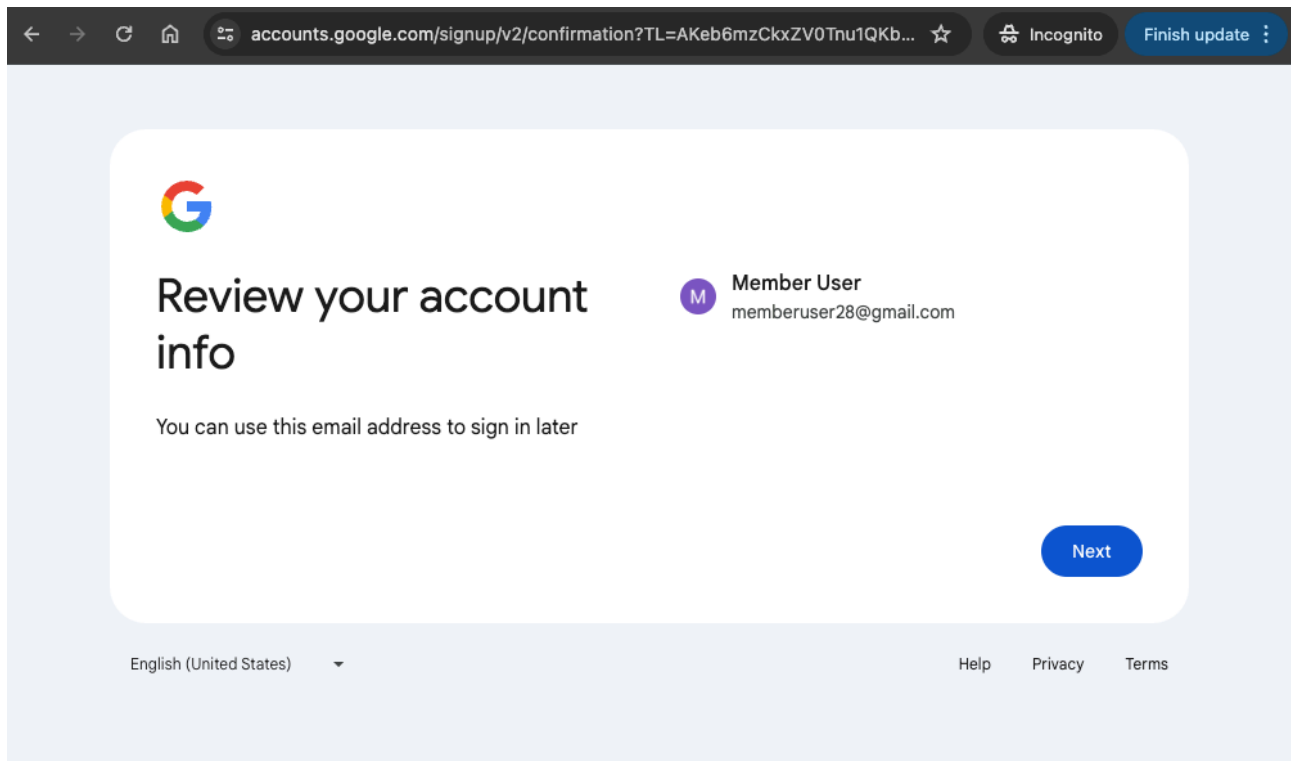
Google will use this number only for account security. Your number won't be visible to others. You can choose later whether to use it for other purposes.

Skip Next

English (United States) Help Privacy Terms

## Step 11: Review your account info

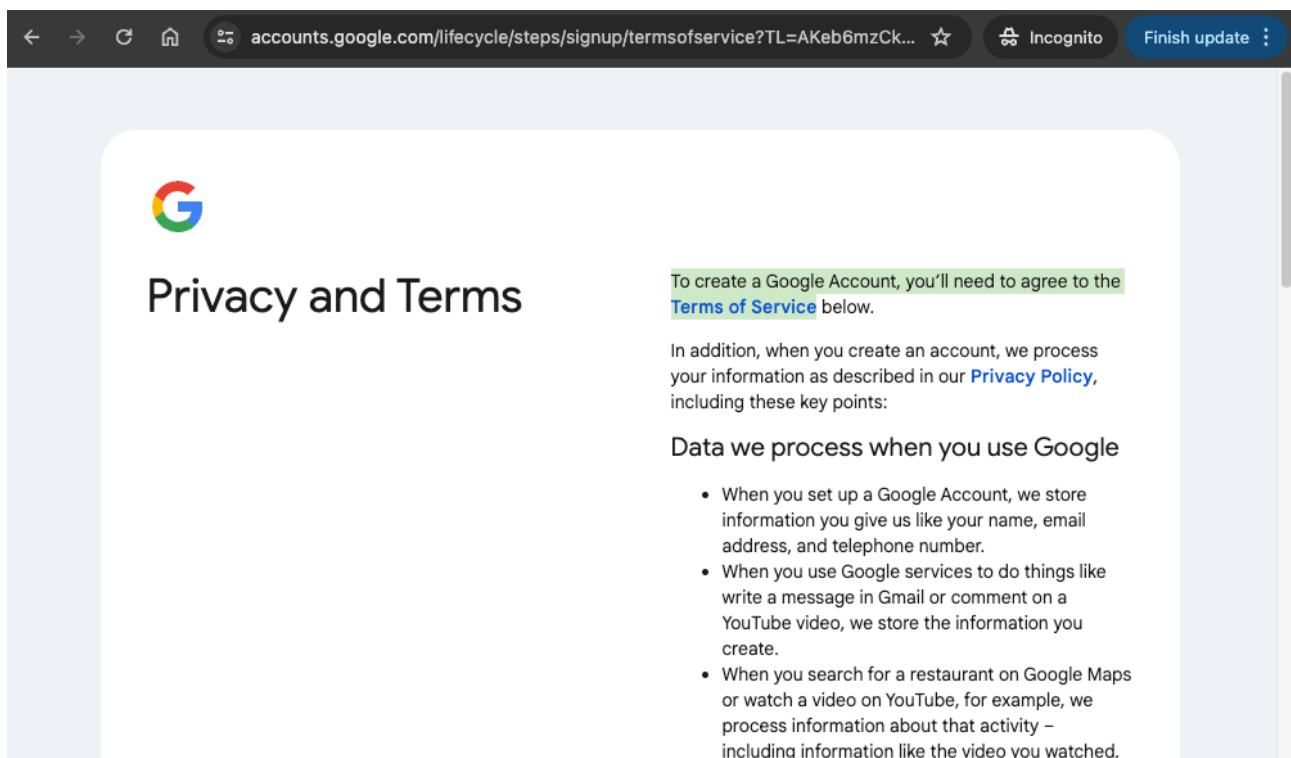
You can use this email address to sign in later



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/signup/v2/confirmation?TL=AKe6mzCkxZV0Tnu1QKb...`. The page features the Google logo and the heading "Review your account info". To the right, a user profile is shown with a purple circle containing the letter 'M', the name "Member User", and the email address "memberuser28@gmail.com". Below the heading, the text reads "You can use this email address to sign in later". A blue "Next" button is positioned in the bottom right corner. At the bottom of the page, there is a language selector set to "English (United States)" and links for "Help", "Privacy", and "Terms".

## Step 12: Privacy and Terms

To complete creating a Google Account, you'll need to agree to the Terms of Service.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `accounts.google.com/lifecycle/steps/signup/termservice?TL=AKe6mzCk...`. The page features the Google logo and the heading "Privacy and Terms". A highlighted green box contains the text: "To create a Google Account, you'll need to agree to the [Terms of Service](#) below." Below this, the text states: "In addition, when you create an account, we process your information as described in our [Privacy Policy](#), including these key points:" followed by the heading "Data we process when you use Google". A bulleted list follows:

- When you set up a Google Account, we store information you give us like your name, email address, and telephone number.
- When you use Google services to do things like write a message in Gmail or comment on a YouTube video, we store the information you create.
- When you search for a restaurant on Google Maps or watch a video on YouTube, for example, we process information about that activity – including information like the video you watched,

# Step 13: Congratulations, You are done!

You can now use your new gmail account.

