

CHAT USER MANUAL

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Modules

The chat bar is loaded with a variety of modules. These features help enhance the overall functioning of the bar.

All the modules are located at the bottom left corner of your screen.




Figure 1

Home:

Click on the “” button to go to the site home page with a single click access.

Chatrooms:

You can create a buzz and gather your friends into a single place using chatrooms.

“Chatroom” provides you a venue with a common interest to communicate in real time.

This module consists of three important tabs

- Lobby
- Create Chatroom
- Popout

Lobby:

You can have a view at all the active chatrooms along with the number of online users in each chatroom just by clicking the “lobby” tab.

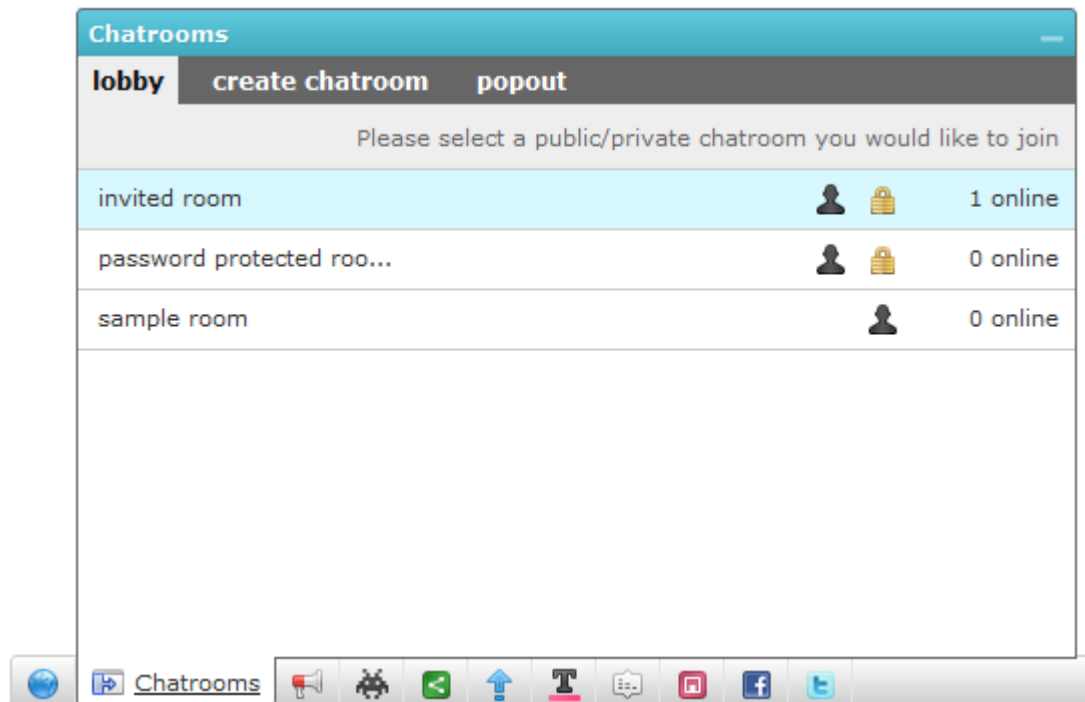


Figure 2

Create Chatroom:

You can create your own temporary chatrooms. These chatrooms can either be

- Public Room
- Password protected Room
- Invitation only Room

Public room:

To create a “public chatroom”, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “create chatroom” tab in the chatroom module.
- Set a name for the chatroom in the text box provided.
- Select “Public room” from the “Type” dropdown box.
- Click on the “Create room” button to create a new “Public Room”.

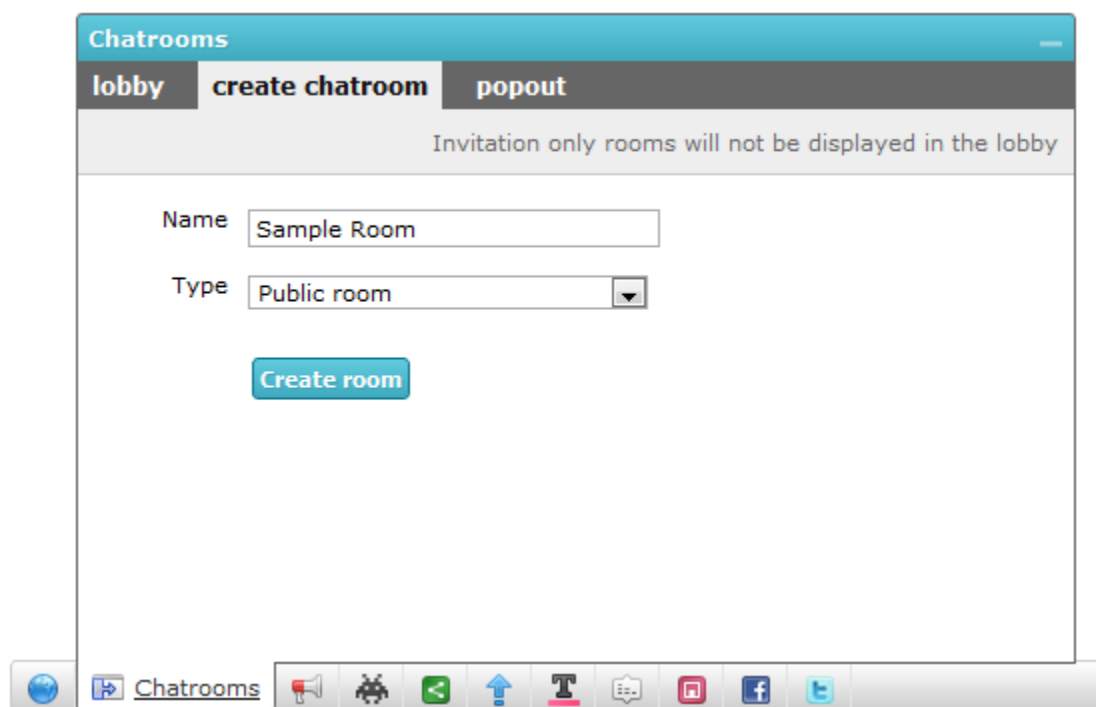


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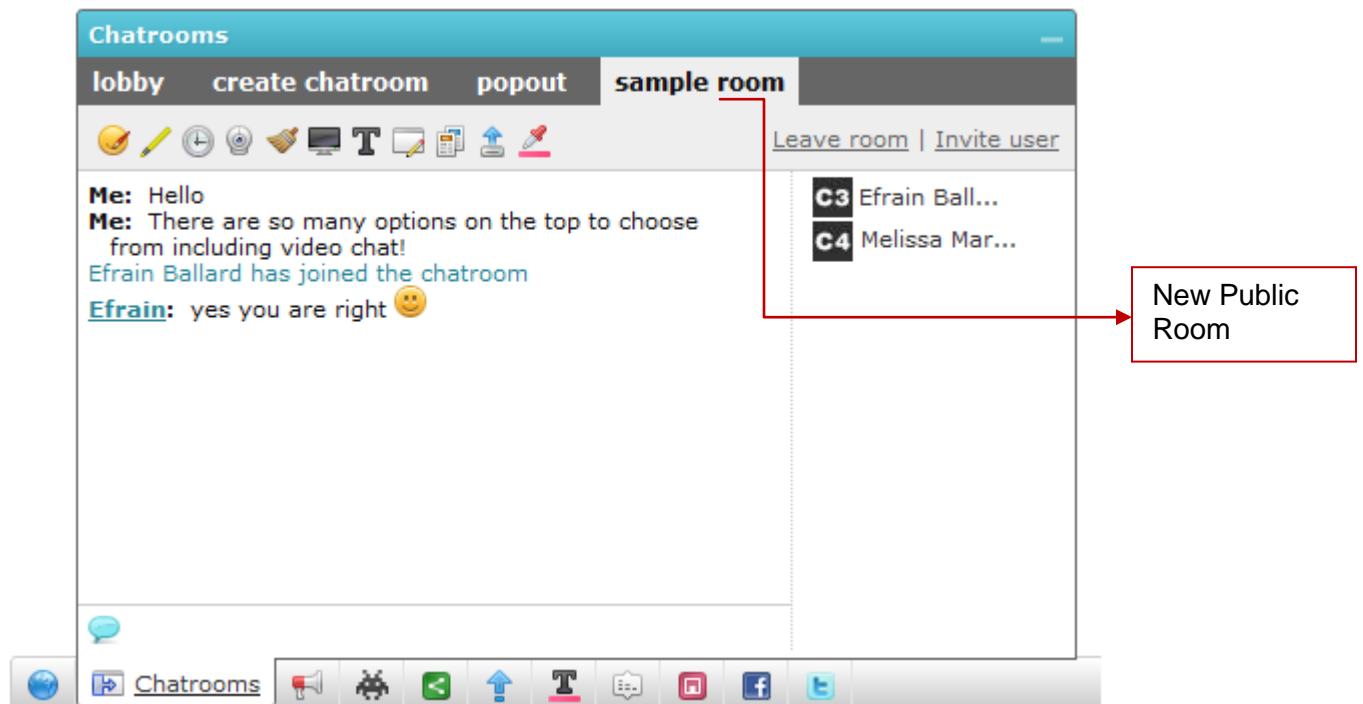


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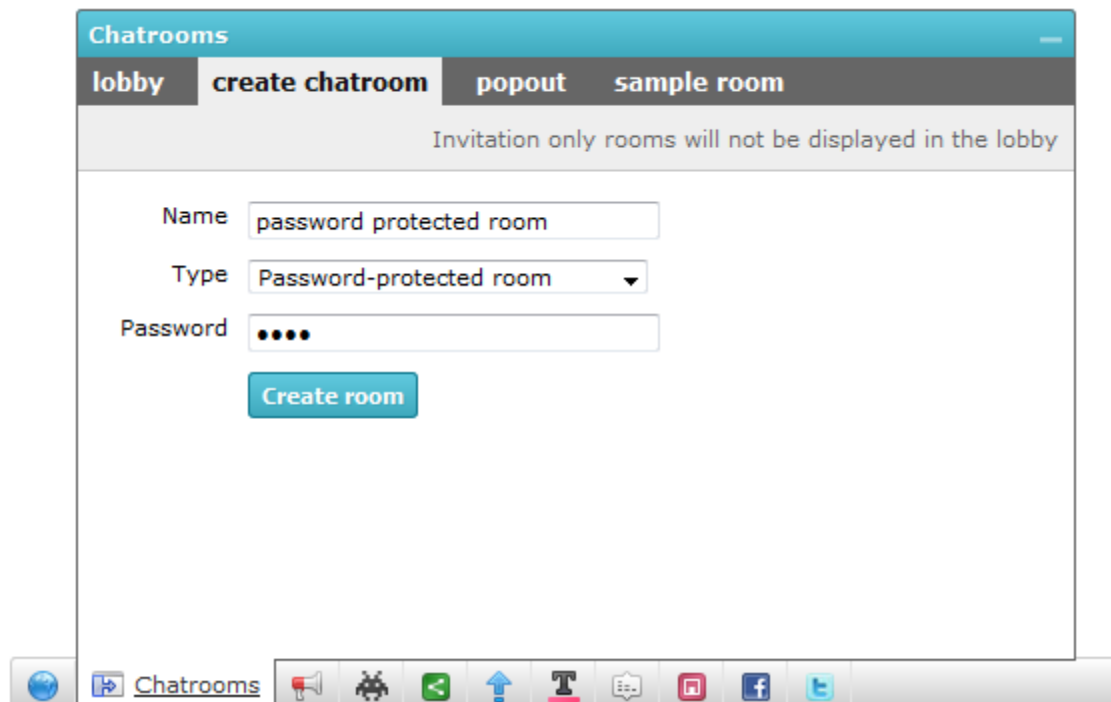
Note: The validity of the chatroom is for a limited period of time i.e. as long as you are active in the website chatroom.

There are various features that can make the entire chatting experience in the chatroom very interesting.

Password Protected Room:

To create a “Password-protected chatroom”, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “create chatroom” tab in the chatroom module.
- Set a name for the chatroom in the text box provided.
- Select “Password-protected room” from the “Type” dropdown box.
- Set a password for the chatroom.
- Click on the “Create room” button to create new “Password Protected Room”.



The screenshot displays the 'Chatrooms' application interface. At the top, there's a header bar with the title 'Chatrooms' and a close button. Below it, a navigation bar contains four tabs: 'lobby', 'create chatroom' (which is active), 'popout', and 'sample room'. A light gray banner below the tabs reads 'Invitation only rooms will not be displayed in the lobby'. The main content area contains a form with three fields: 'Name' with the text 'password protected room', 'Type' with a dropdown menu showing 'Password-protected room', and 'Password' with four black dots. A blue 'Create room' button is positioned below the password field. At the bottom of the application, there is a toolbar with various icons for chat functions, including a microphone, a robot, a share icon, an up arrow, a text icon, a speech bubble, a video camera, a Facebook icon, and a Twitter icon.

Figure 5

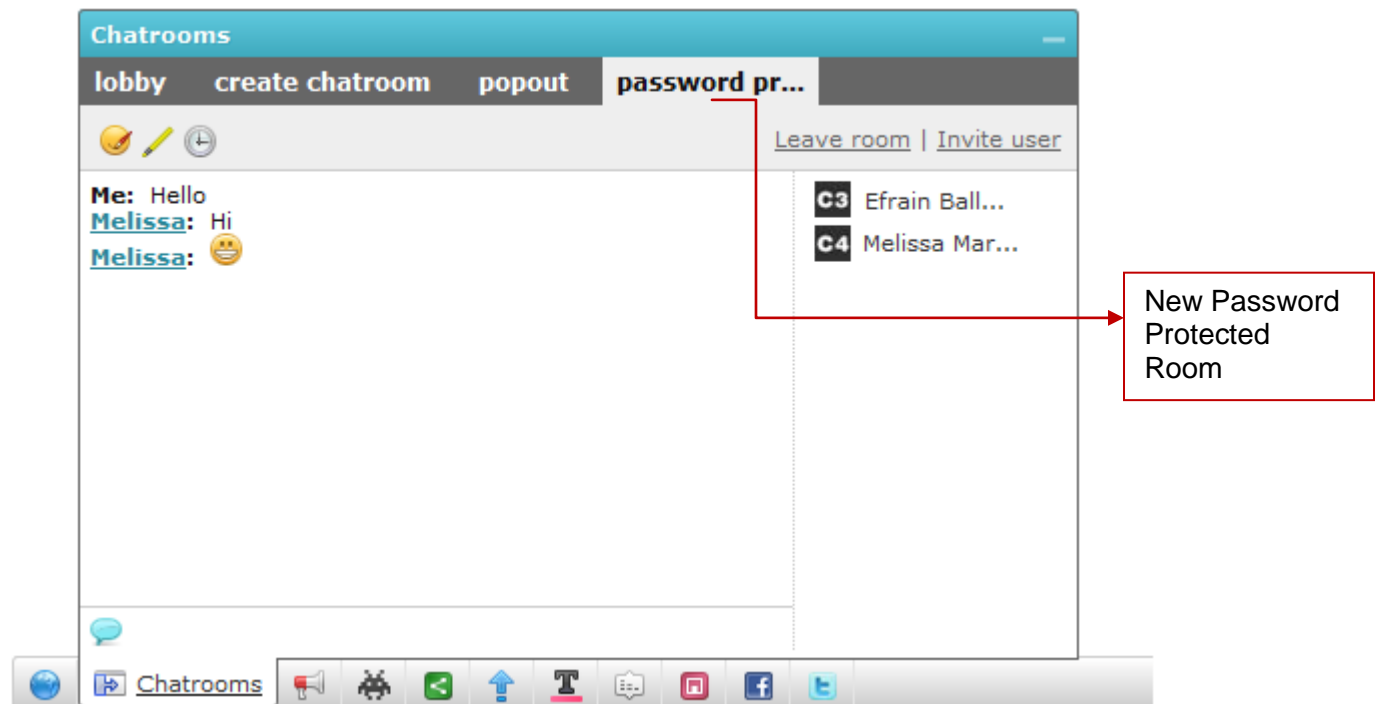


Figure 6

Note: Password protected chatrooms can be accessed by only those users who know the password to the room.

Invitation only room:

To create an “Invitation only room”, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “create chatroom” tab in the chatroom module.
- Set a name for the chatroom in the text box provided.
- Select “Invitation only room” from the “Type” dropdown box.
- Click on the “Create room” button to create a new room.

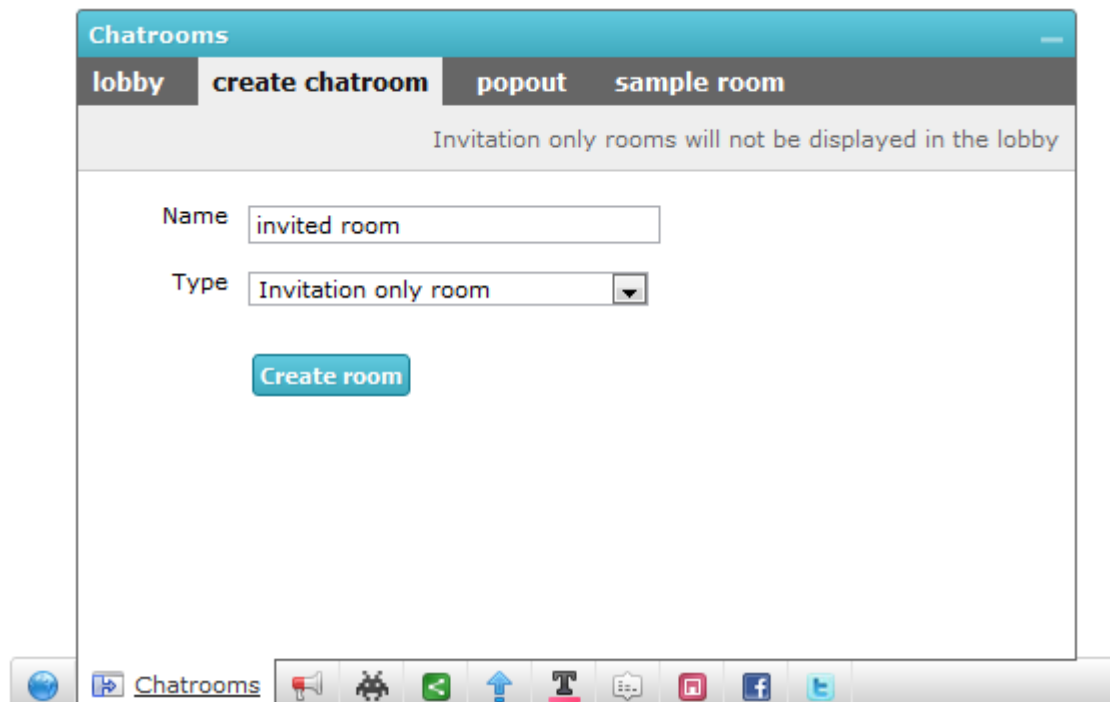


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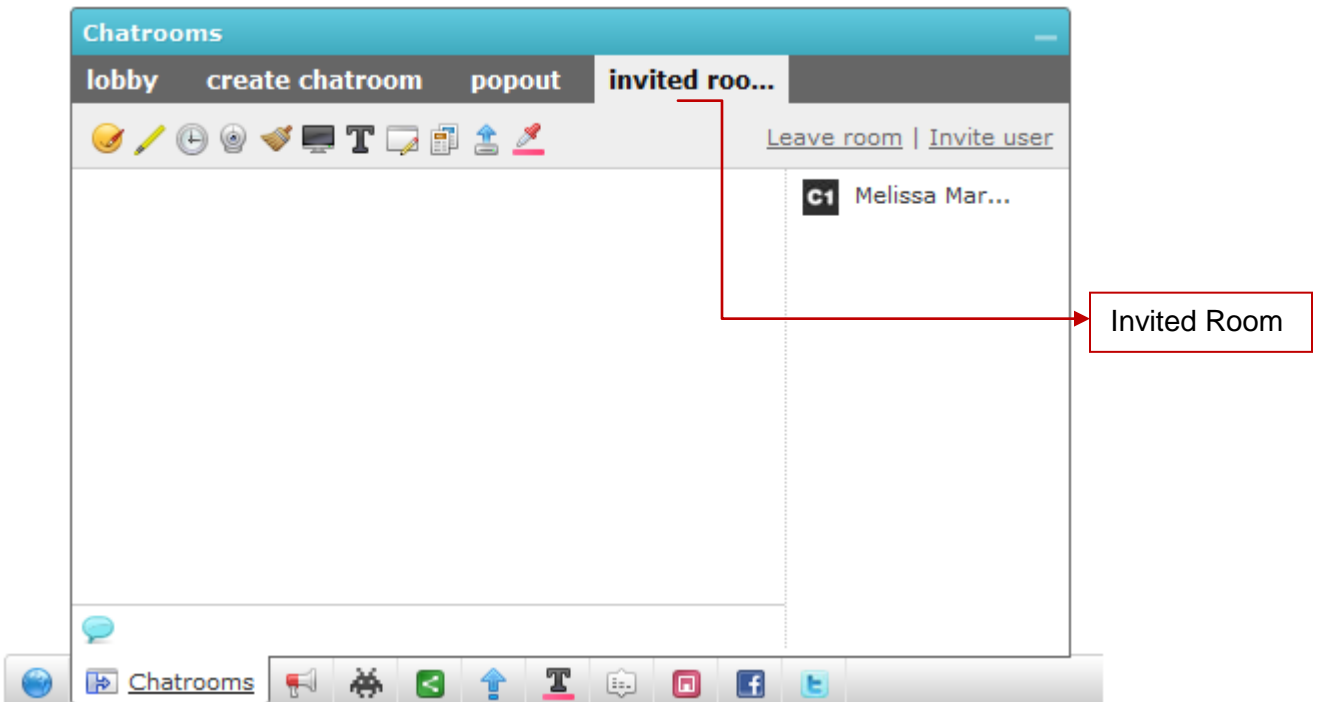


Figure 8

Note: In the “Invitation only room”, only those friends/users who receive an invitation are granted access to the chatroom.
“Invitation only room” will not be displayed in the lobby.

Invite User:

To Invite a User, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “Invite User” button.
- A new window pops out.
- Select the user you want to invite.

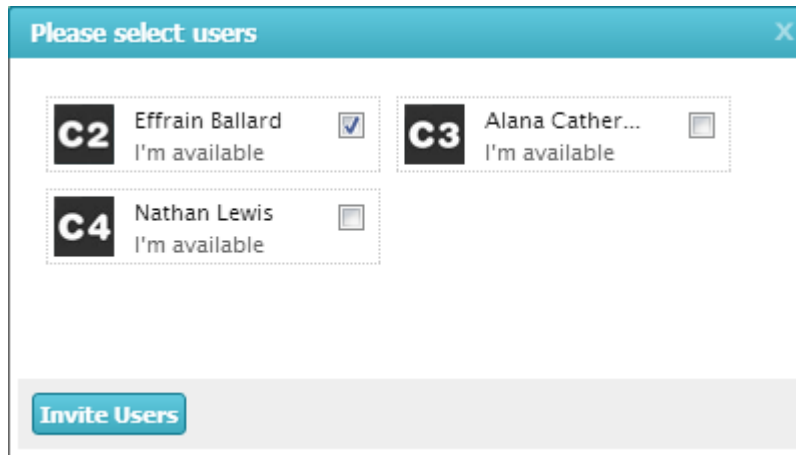


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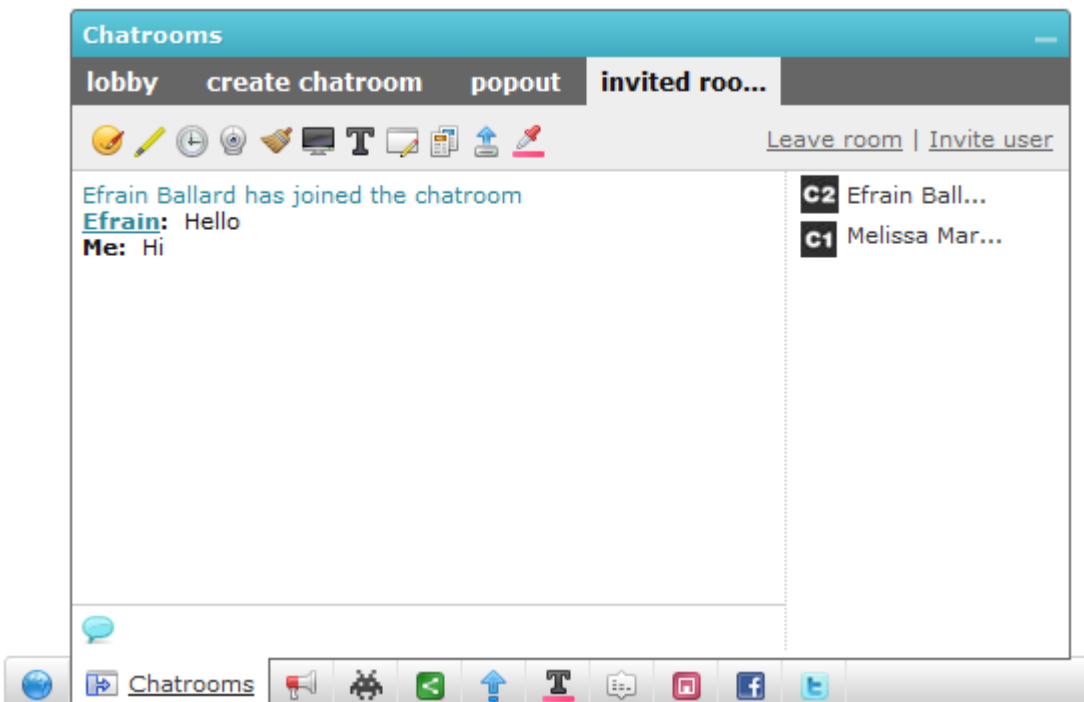


Figure 10

Leave room:

You can always join or leave any chatroom.

To leave a chatroom, click on the “Leave room” button.

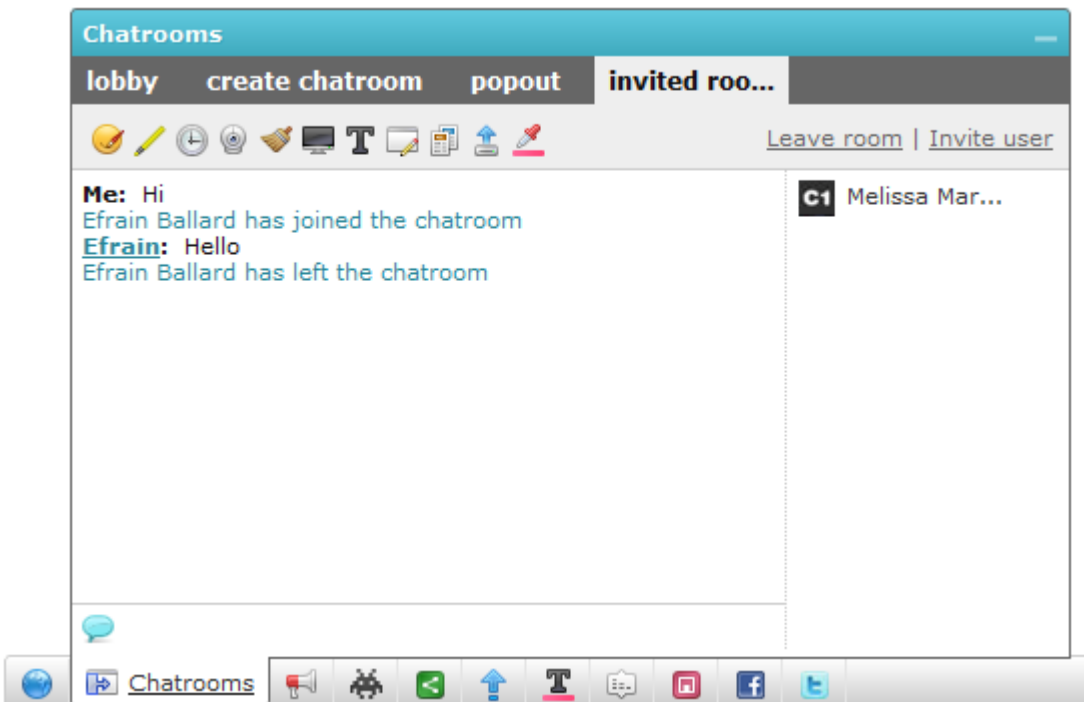


Figure 11

Popout:

For your convenience you can open the chatroom tab in a separate/ new window.

You can have this new chatroom window just by clicking the “Popout” tab.

After clicking the “Popout” button, the new chatroom window opens like the window as shown below.

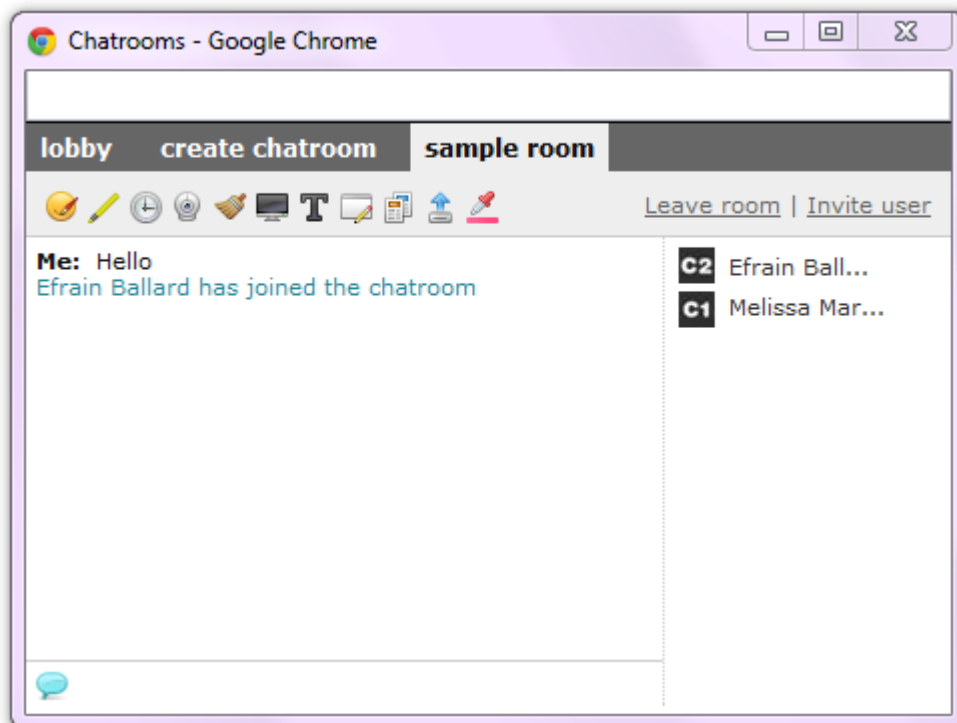


Figure 12

Kick:

The chatroom owner and chatroom moderators can remove any member from his chatroom temporarily by using the “kick” option.

To kick a member from the chatroom follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the name of the user you would like to kick.
- Click on the “Kick” button on the dialog box that appears on the screen.

The banned member can rejoin the chatroom in the next chatroom session.

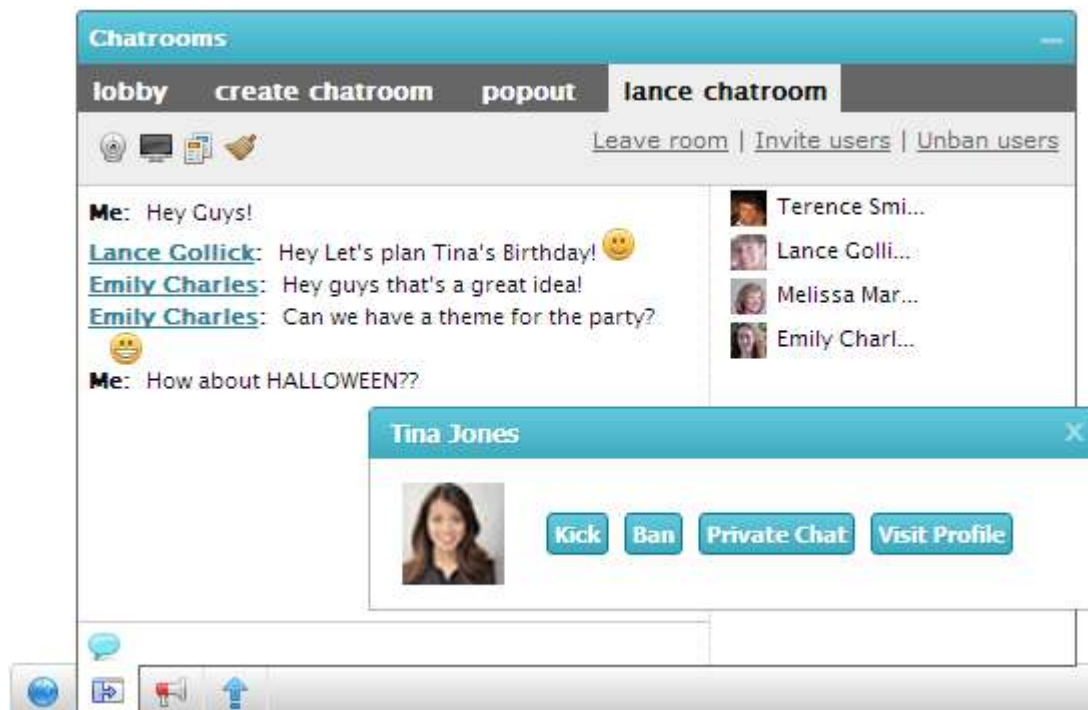


Figure 13

Ban:

The chatroom owner and chatroom moderators can permanently remove any member from his chatroom using the ban option.

To Ban a member from the chatroom, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the name of the user you would like to Ban.
- Click on the “Ban” button on the dialog box that appears on the screen.

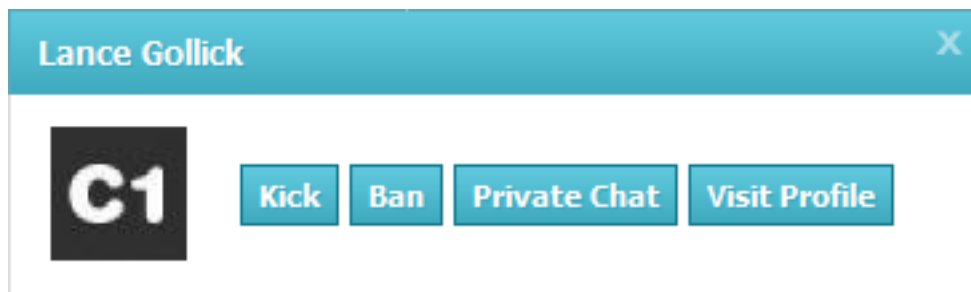


Figure 14

Unban:

The chatroom owner and chatroom moderators can unban the banned users as and when he wants.

To Unban a member from the chatroom, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the Unban option that you see at the top of the chatroom window.

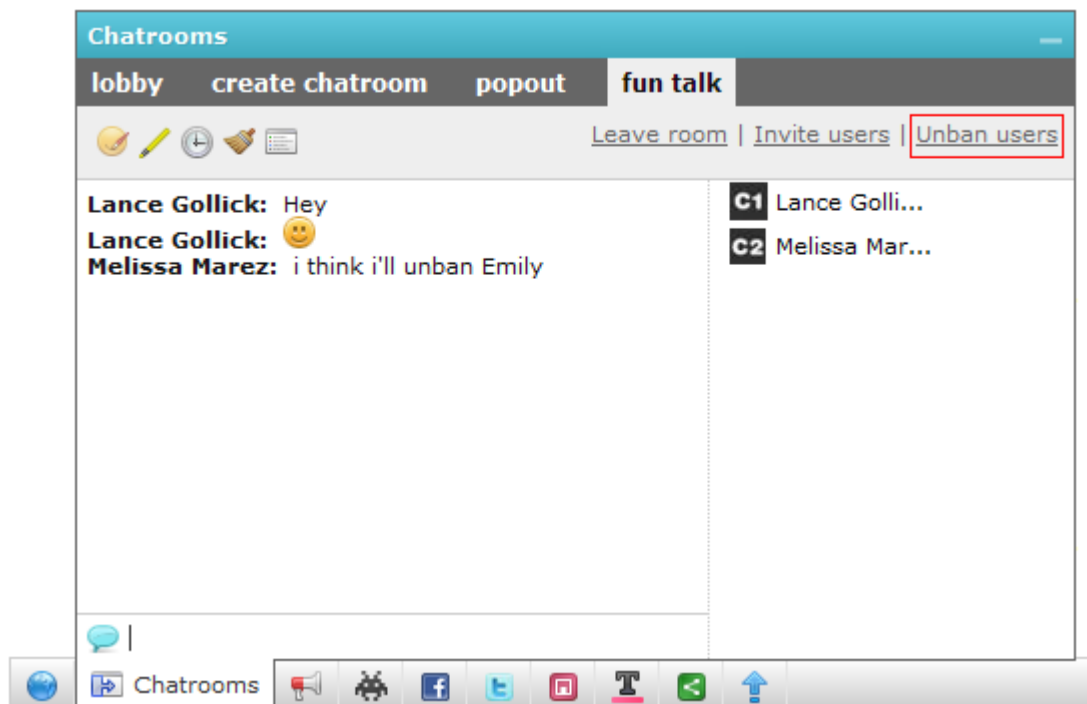


Figure 15

- Select the user that you wish to Unban on the dialog box that appears on the screen.
- Click on the Unban button.

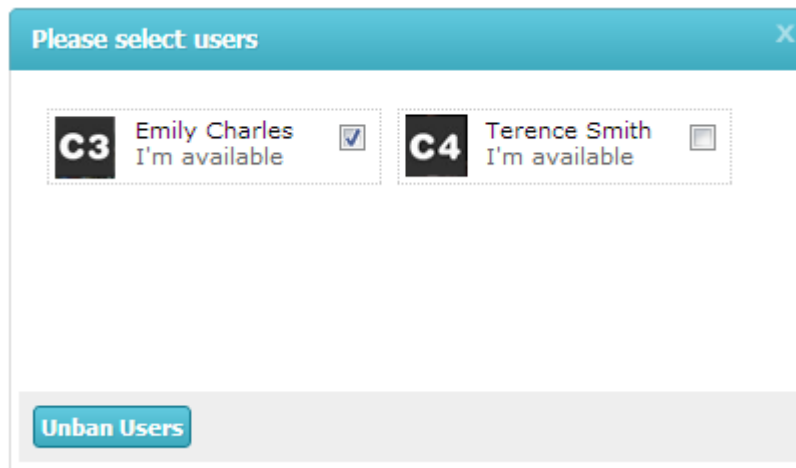


Figure 16

Once Unbanned the user can join and access the chatroom like any other chatroom user.

Note: Only the Owner and the Moderator can view the Unban option.

Chat History for Chatroom:

The chatroom users can view the chatroom history anytime they want.

To view the chat history, Click on the “” icon at the top of the chatroom window.

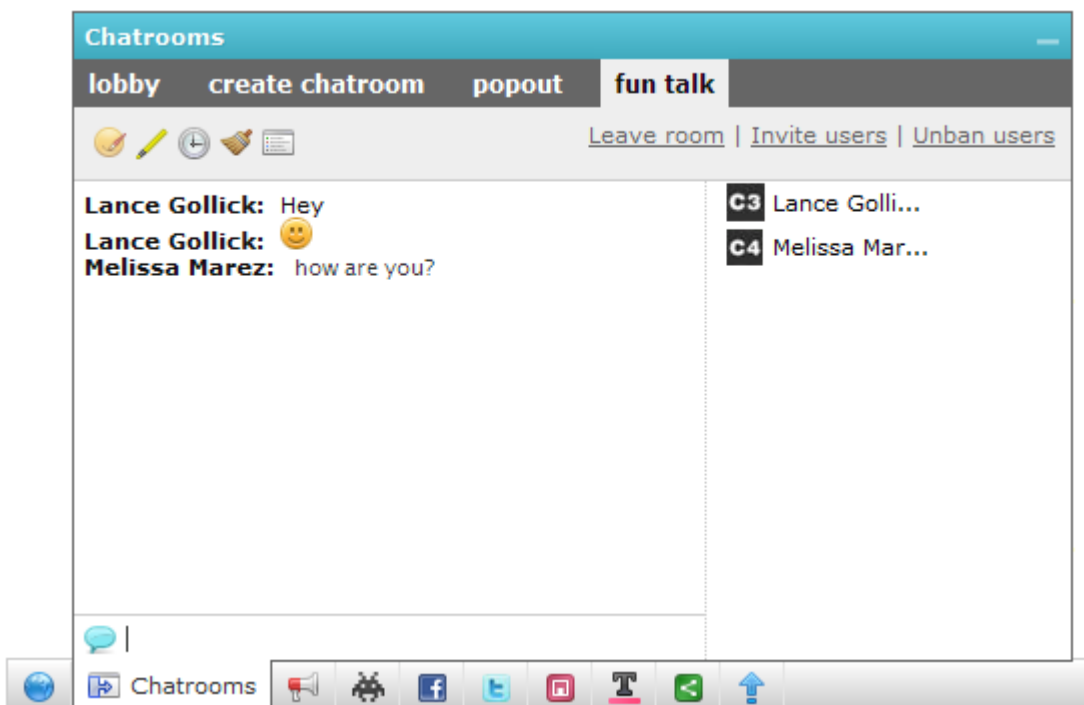


Figure 17

Chat History		
Chat Conversation in chatroom fun talk on Dec 21st 2012 (6 lines)		Back
Melissa	Hey Guys..	4:13pm
Lance	Hey! Good to see you all..	4:14pm
Terence	This Chatroom is fun.	4:15pm
Lance	Hey	4:15pm
Lance	😊	4:15pm
Melissa	how are you?	4:16pm

Figure 18

Announcements:

The website owner can alert you with the help of announcements.

These announcements can be pushing advertisements, promotions, site news or any other information.

You can also have a look at all the old announcements by clicking on the “📢” button, that is placed beside the “Chatroom” tab.

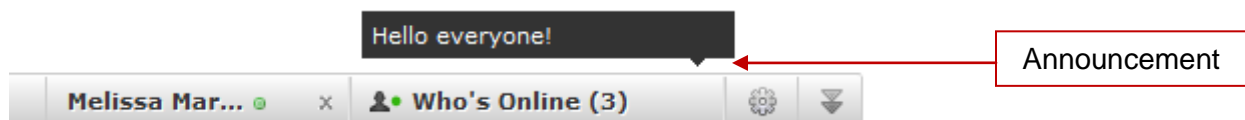


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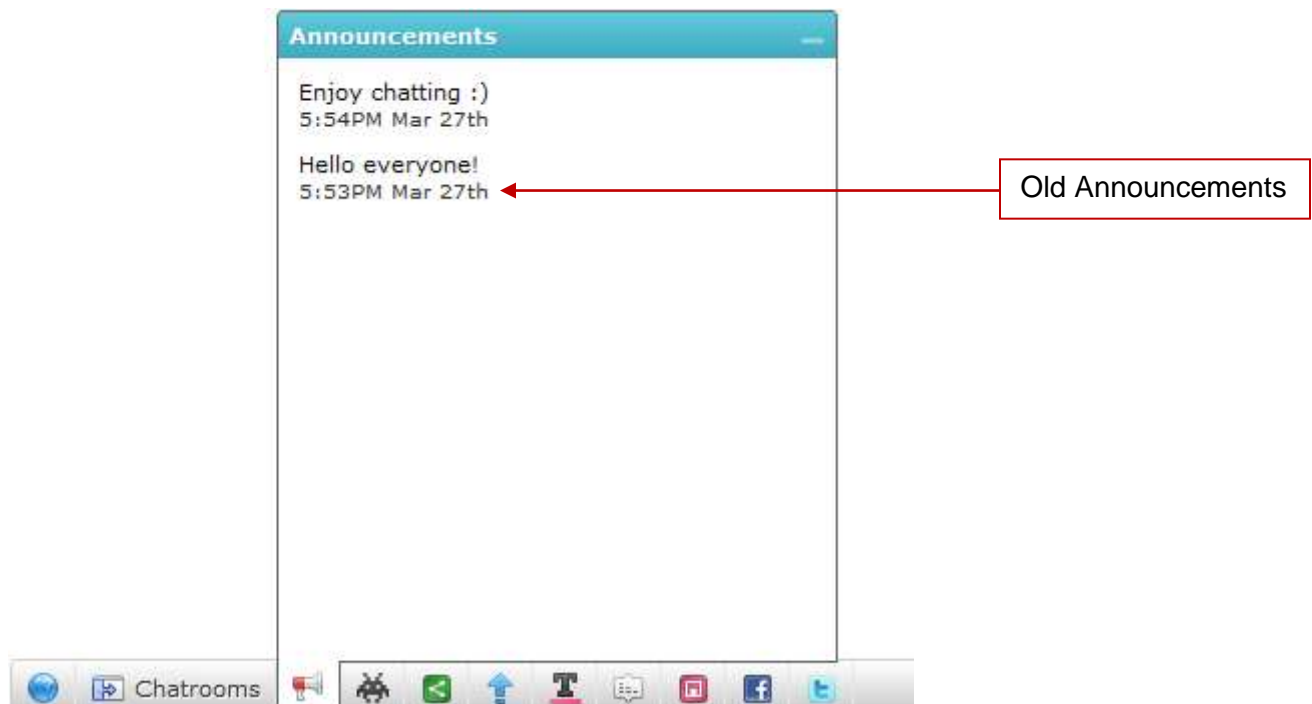



Figure 20

Single Player Games:

The games plugin offers over 10,000+ games. This plugin provides a wide range of genres like action, adventure, arcade, puzzles and so on which keeps users far away from boredom.

To play a single player game, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “” button.
- Select the category or type of game from the game list.

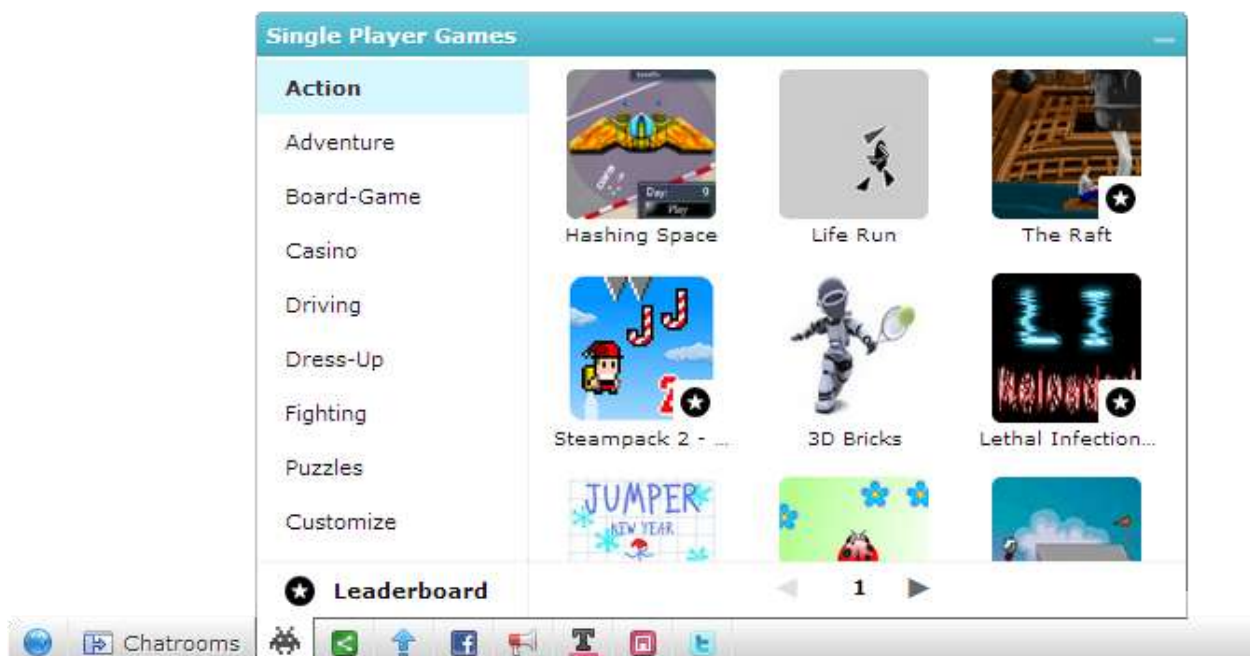

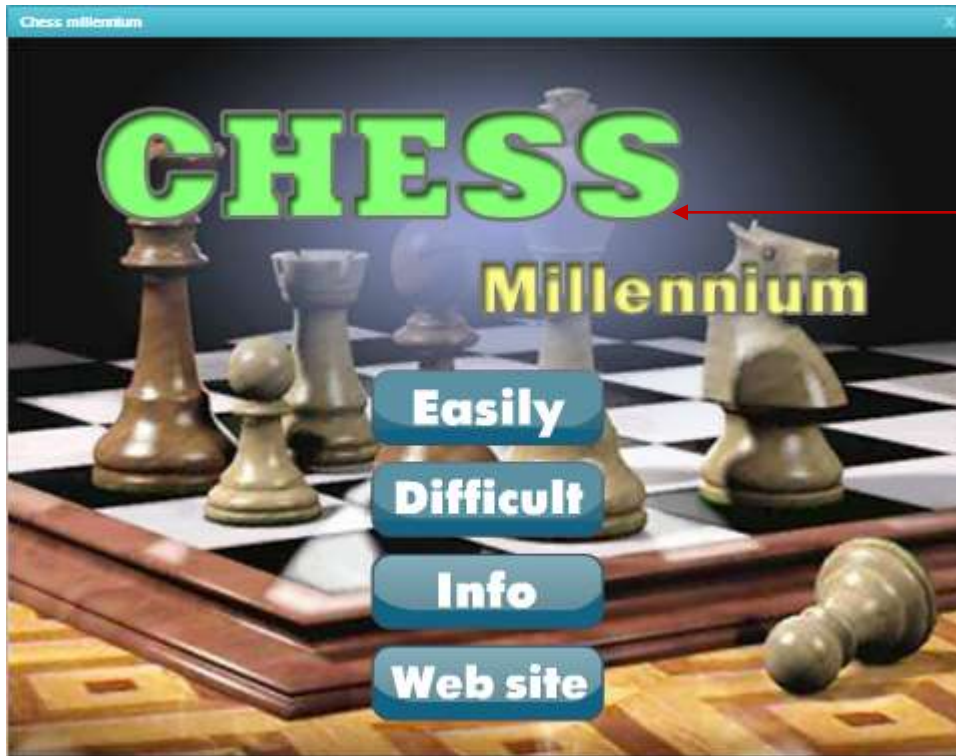


Figure 21

- Click on the game that you would like to play.
- Selected game will be launched in a new window.

All the games marked with the “” icon are Leaderboard enabled games. The scores of these games will be recorded and displayed in the Leaderboard.

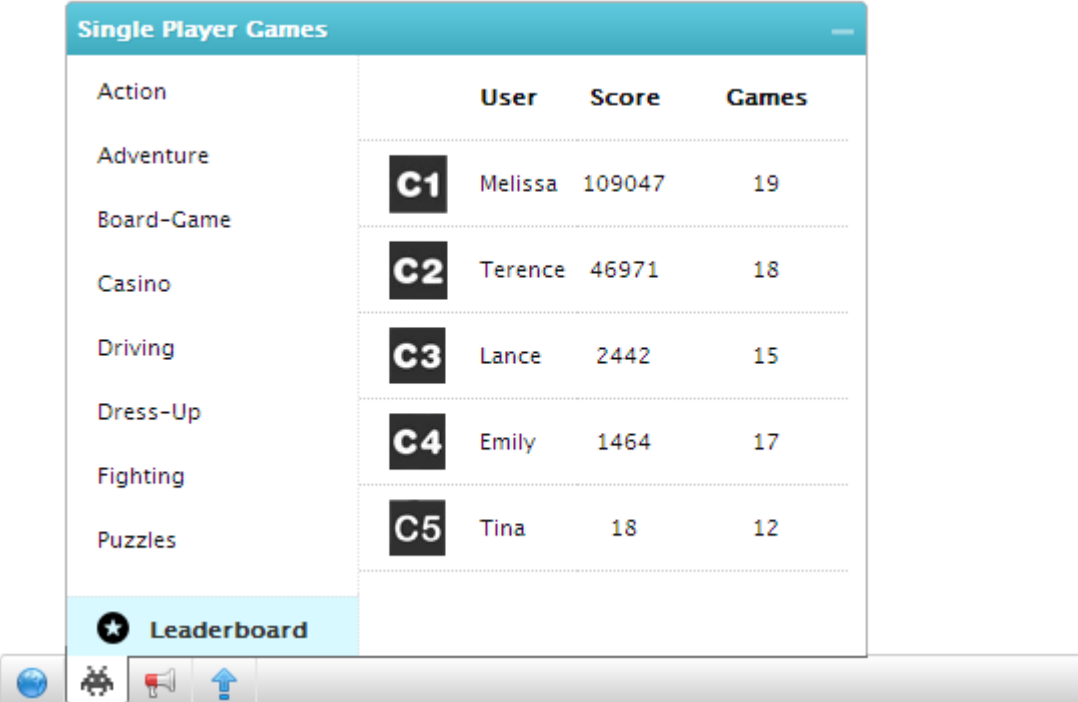


Game launched
in a new window

Figure 22

Leaderboard:

Leaderboard in the games plugin tracks all the scores of all the games a user has ever played.



Action	User	Score	Games
Adventure	C1 Melissa	109047	19
Board-Game	C2 Terence	46971	18
Casino	C3 Lance	2442	15
Driving	C4 Emily	1464	17
Dress-Up	C5 Tina	18	12

★ **Leaderboard**

Figure 23

On clicking a user, his detailed score board will be displayed as shown below.

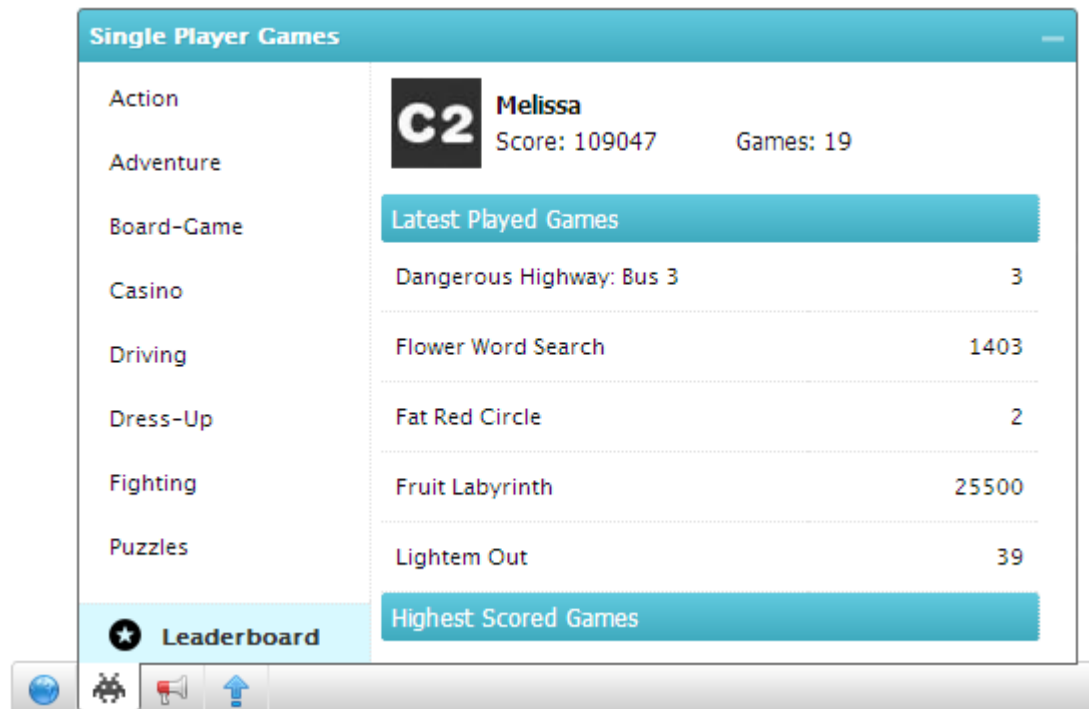


Figure 24

Share This Page:

With this module you can share, save and distribute contents of a website through Facebook, Twitter, My Space, Digg This, StumbleUpon and other social networking sites and blogs.

A website content can be shared, by clicking on the “<” button.



Figure 25

Scroll To Top:

Click on the “↑” button to go to the top of the current webpage that you are browsing.

Change Theme:


You can apply different themes and change the look and feel of the Chat. This module enables you to take control of the way the site looks.

Click on the “⚙️” button to get access to this module.

Note: You get the options of different themes that are readily available.

Translate Page:

With the help of this module you have the power and ability to translate any page on the website with a single click without any reload.

Click on the “” button and choose the language in which you would like to view the page.

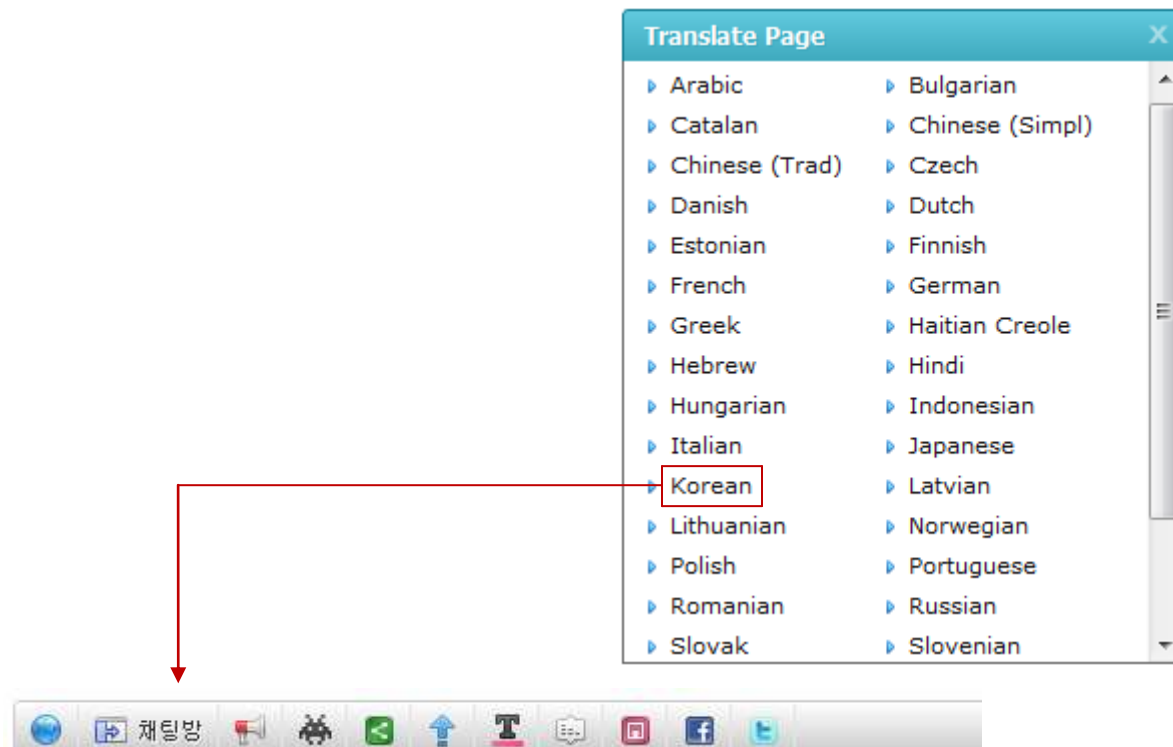


Figure 26



Contents in the chat box is translated to Korean

Figure 27

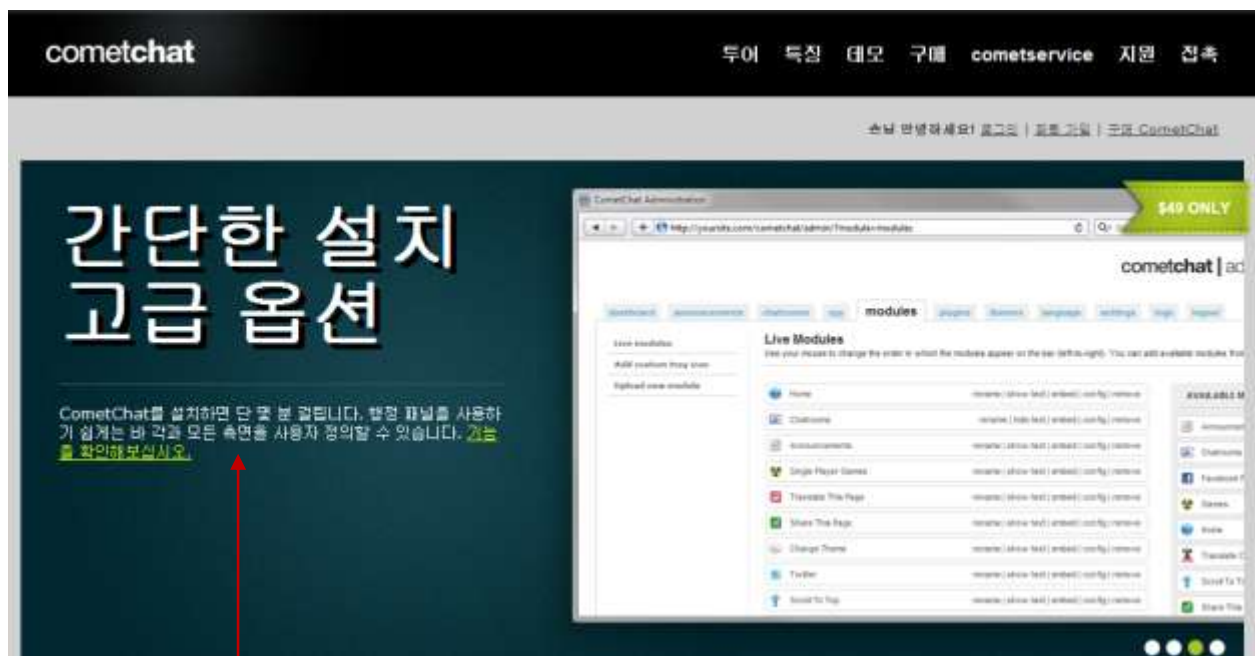


Figure 28

Webpage Translated

Facebook Fan Page:

With the help of this module you can have a view at the “Facebook Fan Page” where you can check the fan base and read different posts that has been shared by the website owner. You also have the option of hitting the Facebook “Like button” if you like the content that has been shared.

Click on the “” button to have access to “Facebook Fan Page” module.

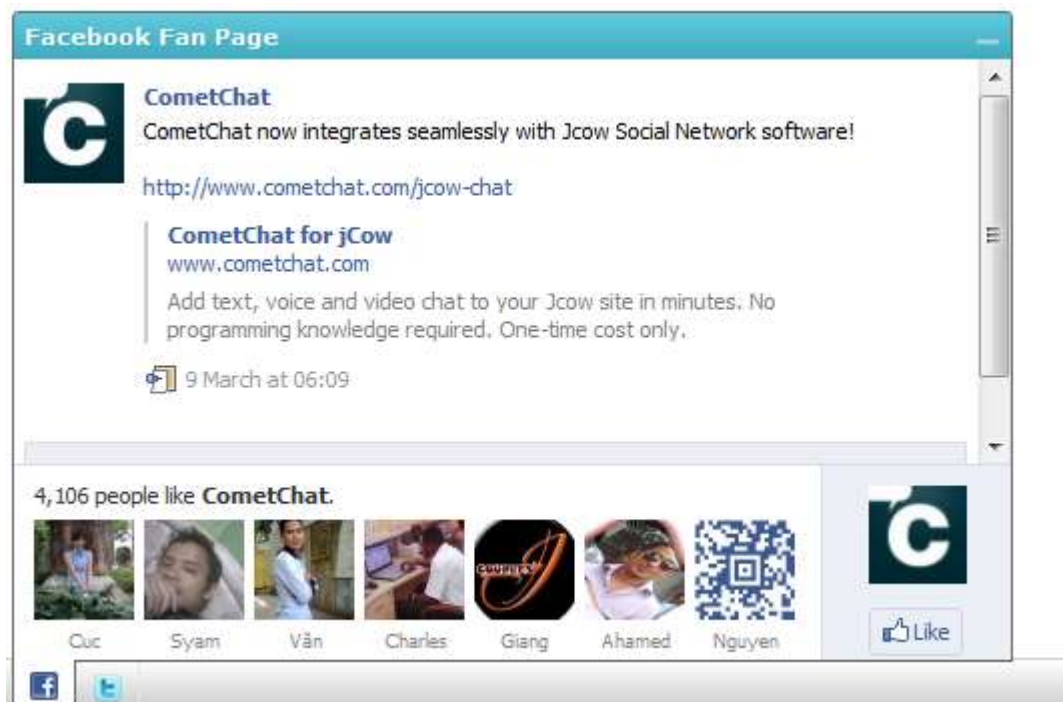


Figure 29

Twitter:

With help of this module you can have a look at the latest tweets and can also become a follower.

Click on the “” button to use this module.

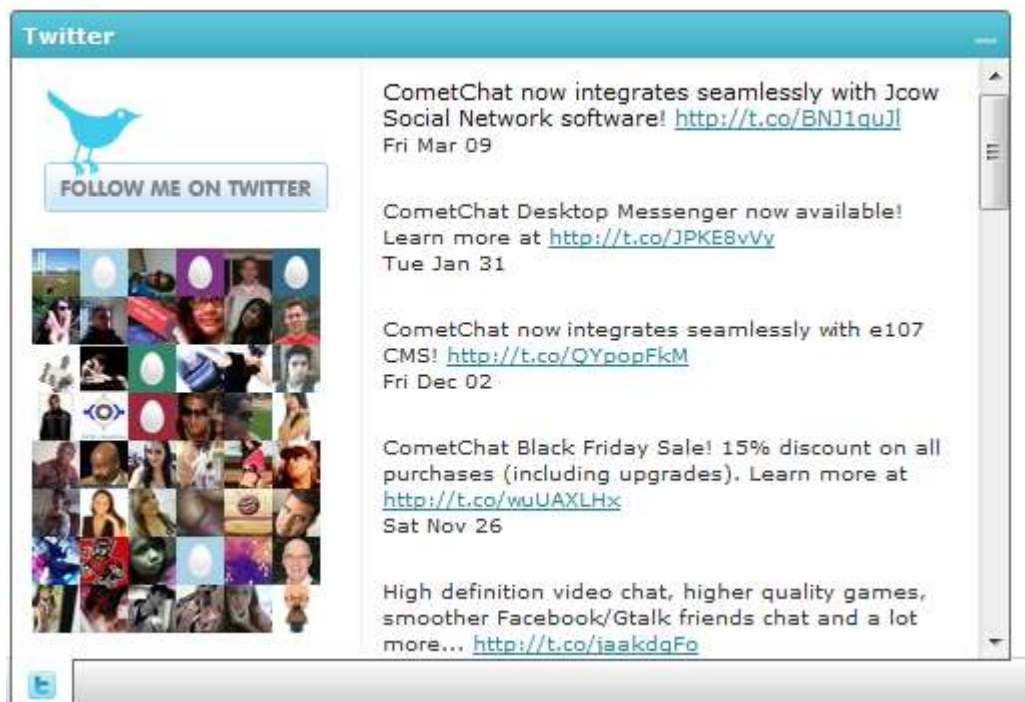


Figure 30

Plugins

The Chat bar comes loaded with a variety of plugins to enhance one-on-one conversations. Plugins can be viewed by clicking on any of the available online users present in the “Who’s Online” tab located at the bottom left corner of the screen.

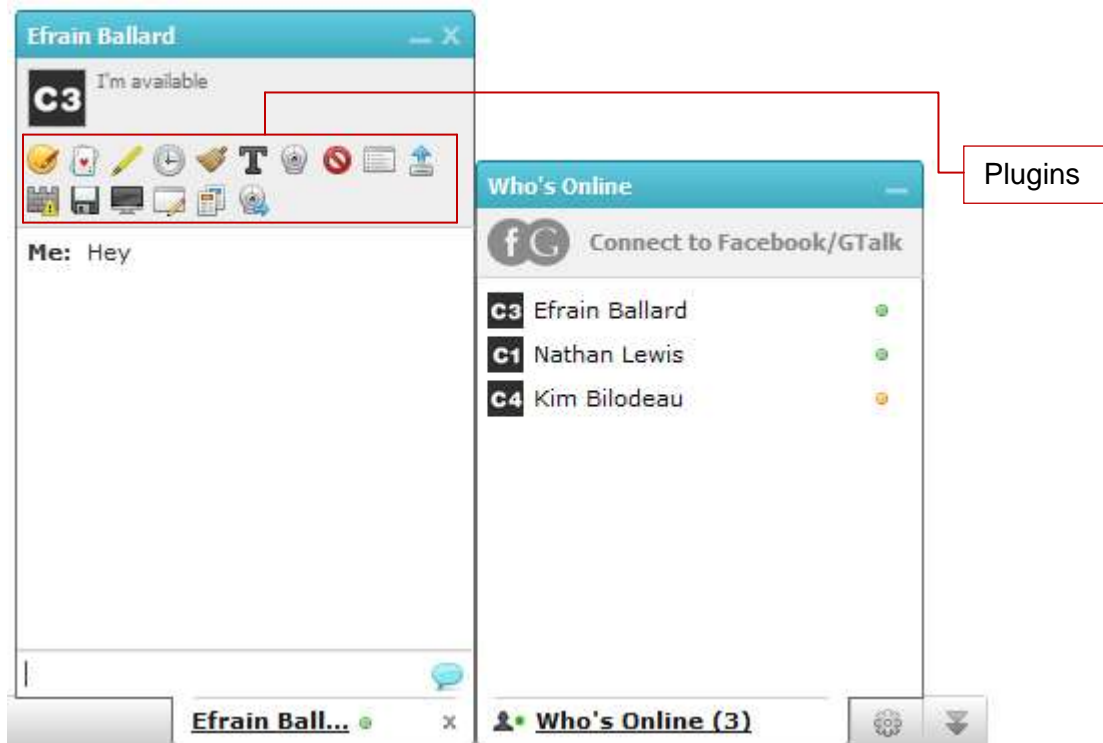


Figure 31

Block User:

To block a user directly from the Chat, follow the steps listed below:

- Select the user to be blocked from your friend list.
- Click on the “🚫” button.
- Click on the “OK” button in the dialog box that appears on the screen.

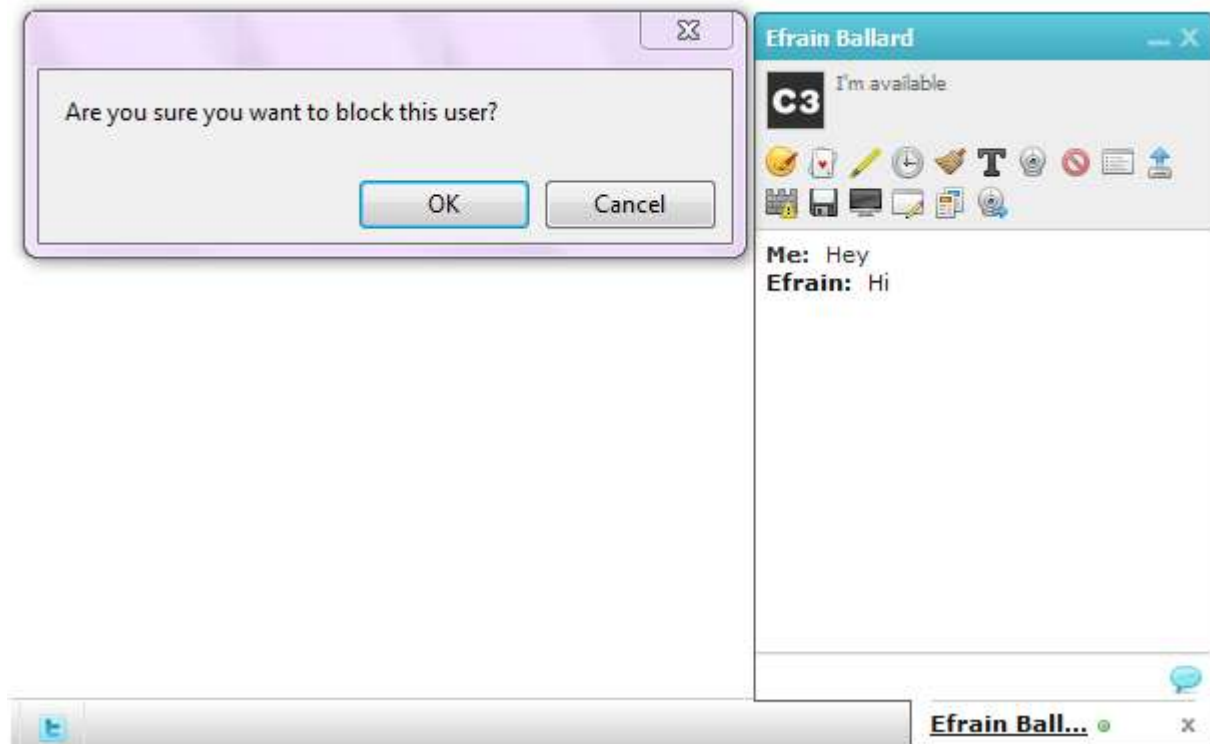


Figure 32

- Then a screen appears with the following message “The user has been blocked successfully. You will not receive any further messages from this user”.
- Click on the “OK” button.
- The user, whom you want to block, has been blocked successfully.

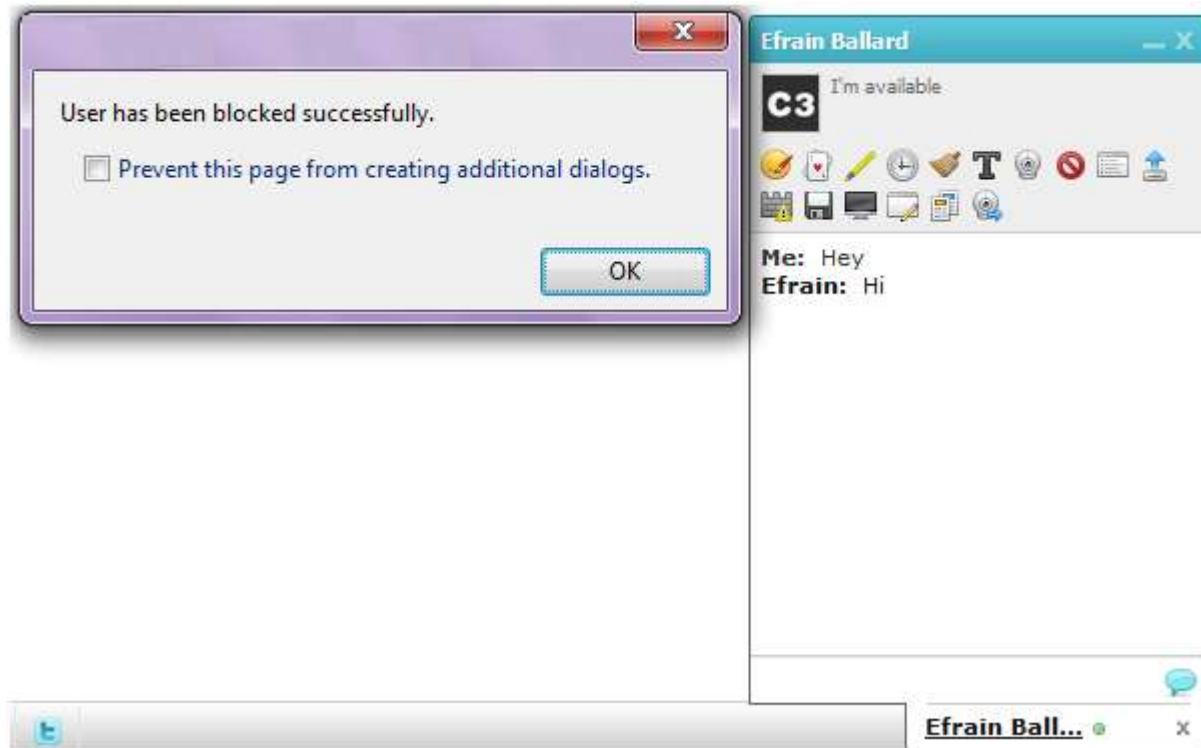


Figure 33

Unblock User:

This module lets you unblock a user who was blocked previously.

To unlock a user, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “Chat options” button located besides the “Who’s Online” tab.
- Select the “[Manage blocked users](#)” link.
- Click on the user you wish to unblock.

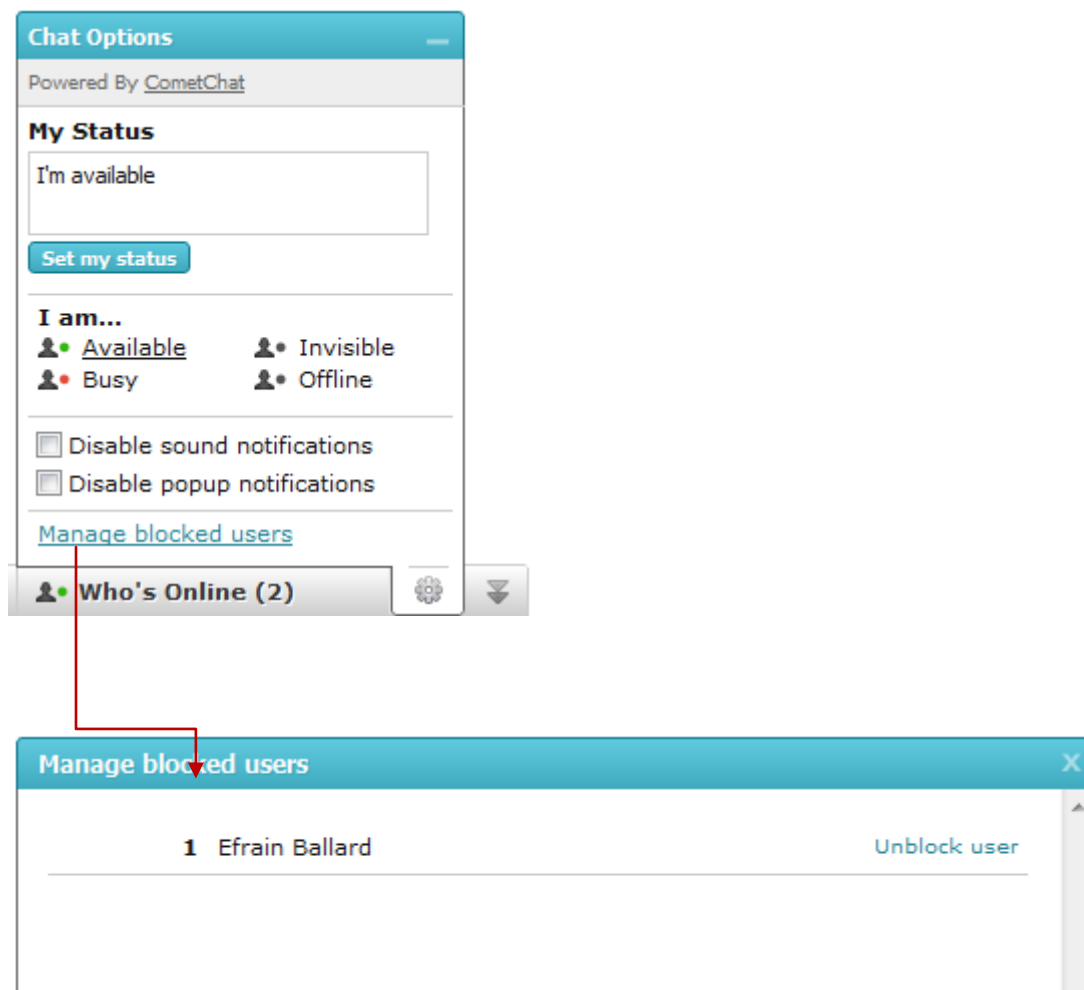



Figure 34

View Chat History:

You can view the chronological logs of your chat history with other users/friends.

To view the chat history, follow the steps listed below:

- Select a friend from your friend list.
- Click on the “” button to view the chat history.
- The chat logs are sorted according to the date and time.
- To view the complete details of those chat logs, click on the tab accordingly.

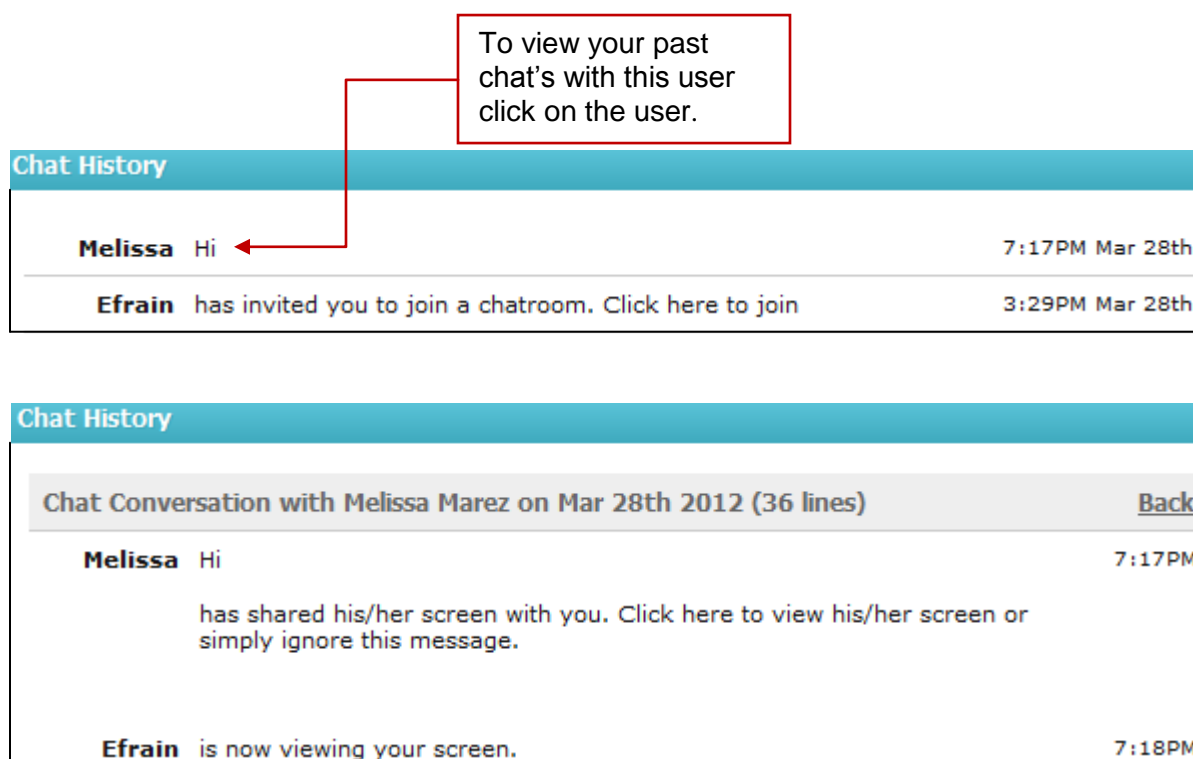


Figure 35

Show/Hide Time:

This module enables you to check the time of arrival of messages at your local time.

To view/hide the chat time in the chat box, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “🕒” button in the chat window to show the chat time.
- Click on the same plugin in the chat window to hide the chat time.

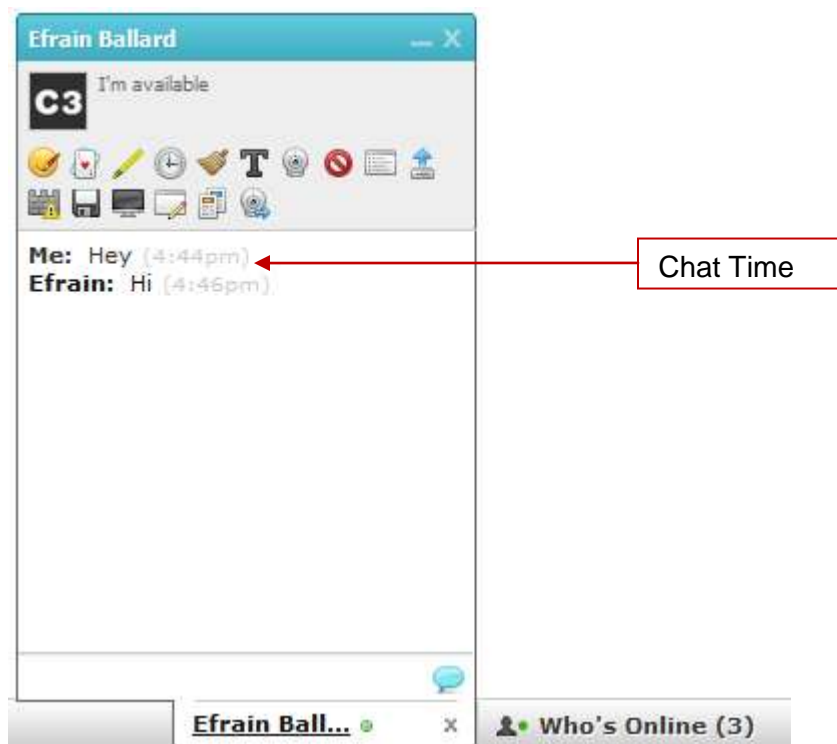


Figure 36

Clear Conversations:

You can clear your chat history anytime you want.

Clear your chat history by a single click on the “🗑️” button.

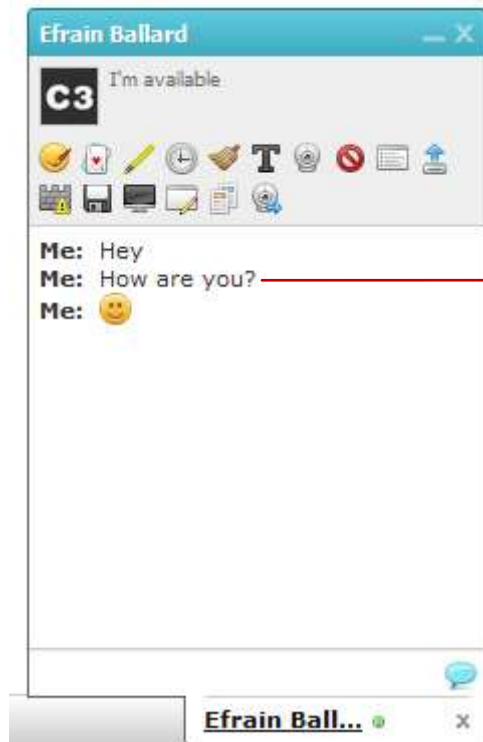


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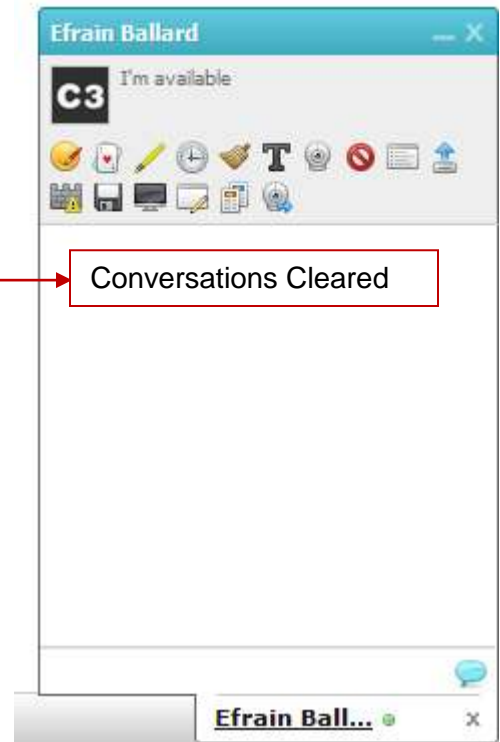


Figure 38

Play a Game:

You can engage yourself completely for hours by competing with your friends as the Chat offers many interesting multi-player games.

To play a game with your online friend, follow the steps listed below:

- Select the friend from the friend list.
- Click on the “🎴” button.
- Select the game which you would like to play.
- A message appears on the screen, if a successful request is sent to your friend.

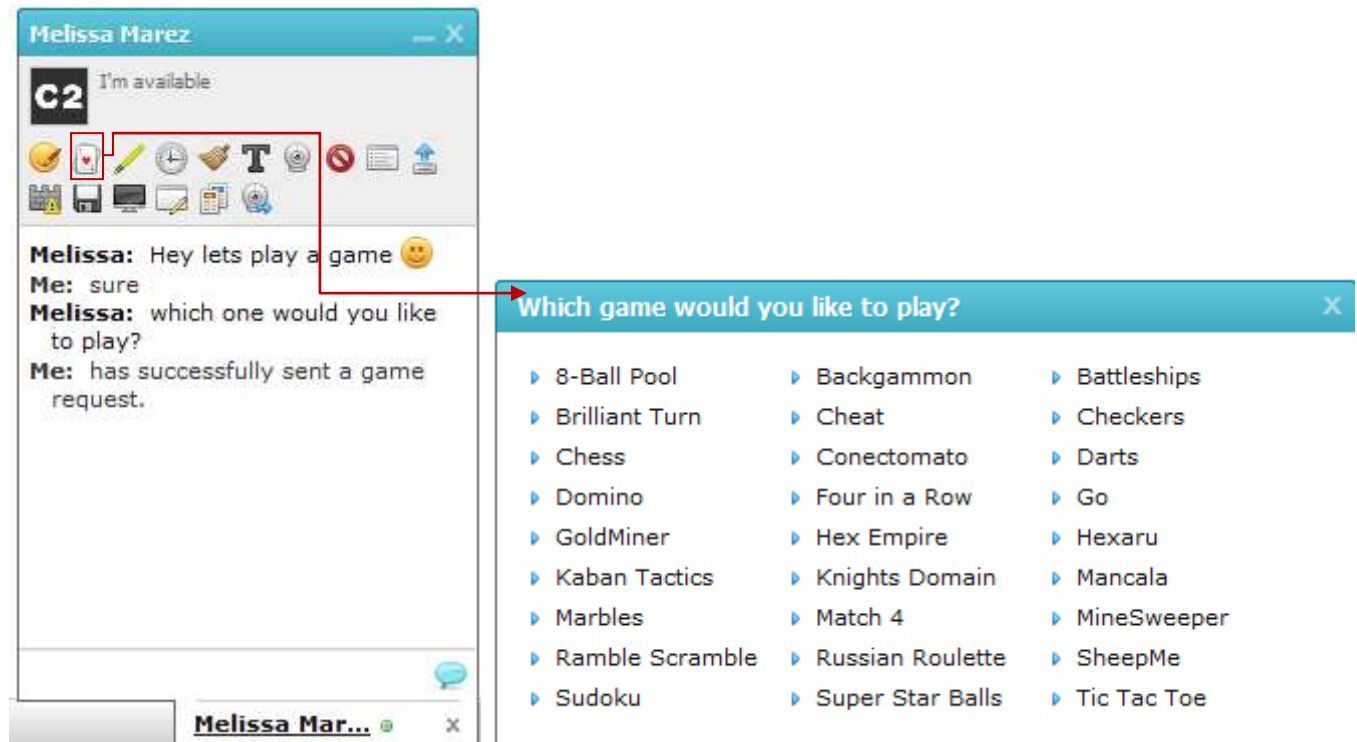


Figure 39

- Your friend can either accept or decline the game request that you have sent.
- If the game request is accepted, you will receive a message accordingly.
- Then click on the link “[Click here to launch the game window](#)” that appears in the chat box to start the game.
- As the link is clicked, game is launched in a new window.

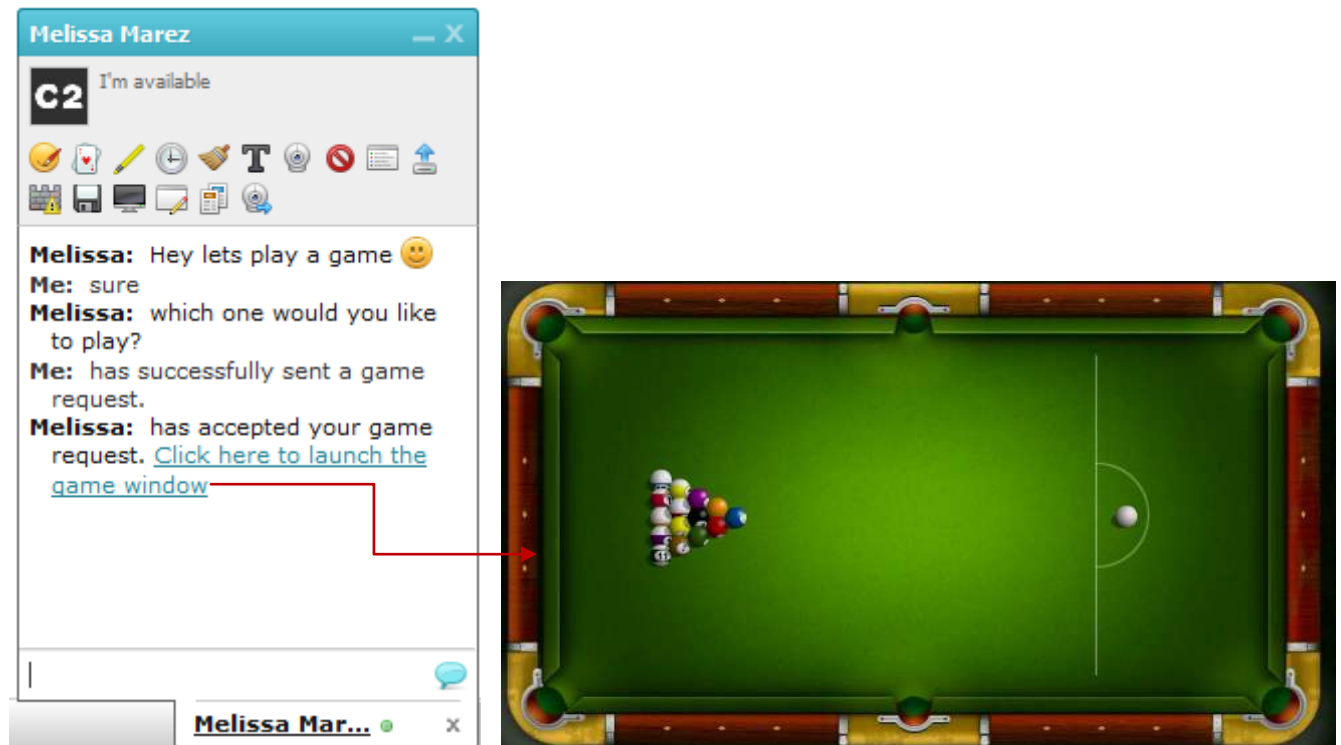



Figure 40

Handwrite a Message:

It is not always necessary to type a message and then send that message to your friend.

If you are bored of this, you have an alternative of using your mouse as a paintbrush where you can simply draw your thoughts and then send it to your friend.

To handwrite a message, follow the steps listed below:

- Select a friend from your friend list.
- Click on the “” button.
- A new window opens where you can handwrite a message.
- Once the message is written, click on the “Send” button to send the handwritten message.
- In the “Handwrite a message” window there are options to erase the contents and to change the width and color of the brush.

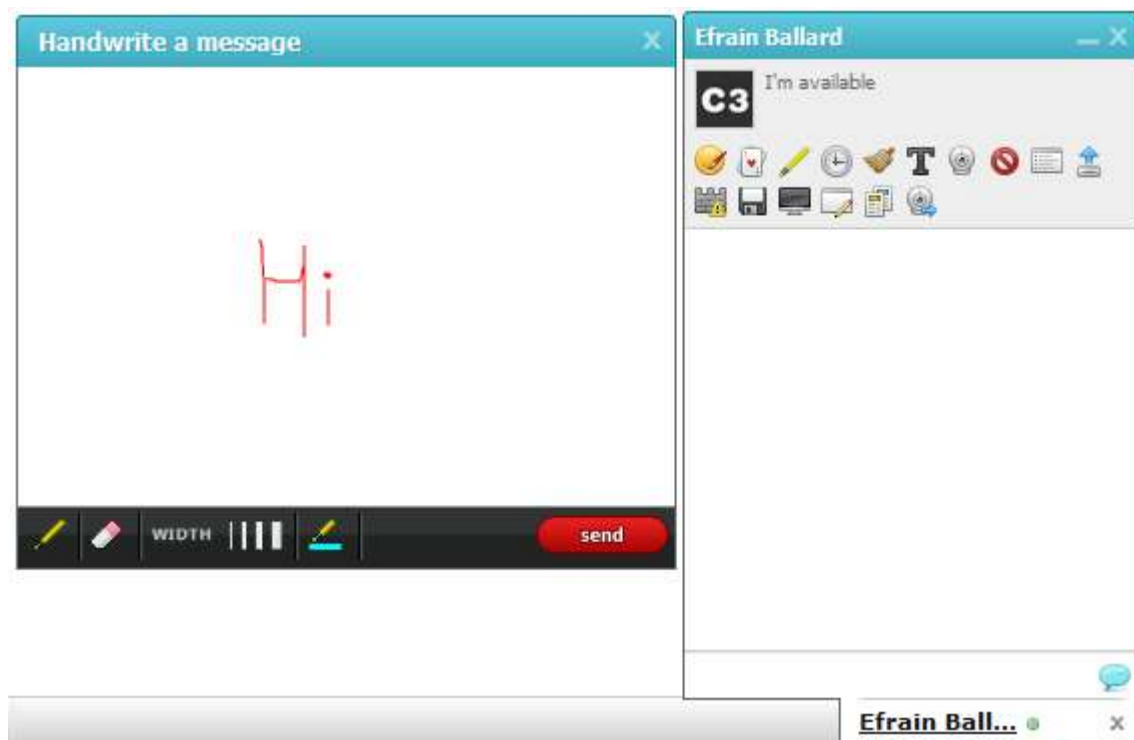


Figure 41

Report Conversation:

You can report conversations directly to the administrator of the website if you find them inappropriate.

To report a conversation, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “🚧” button.
- A new window pops out where you have to type the reason for reporting a user.
- Click on the “Report User” button.
- A message “Thank you for reporting this user” will be flashed on your screen and the window will close automatically.

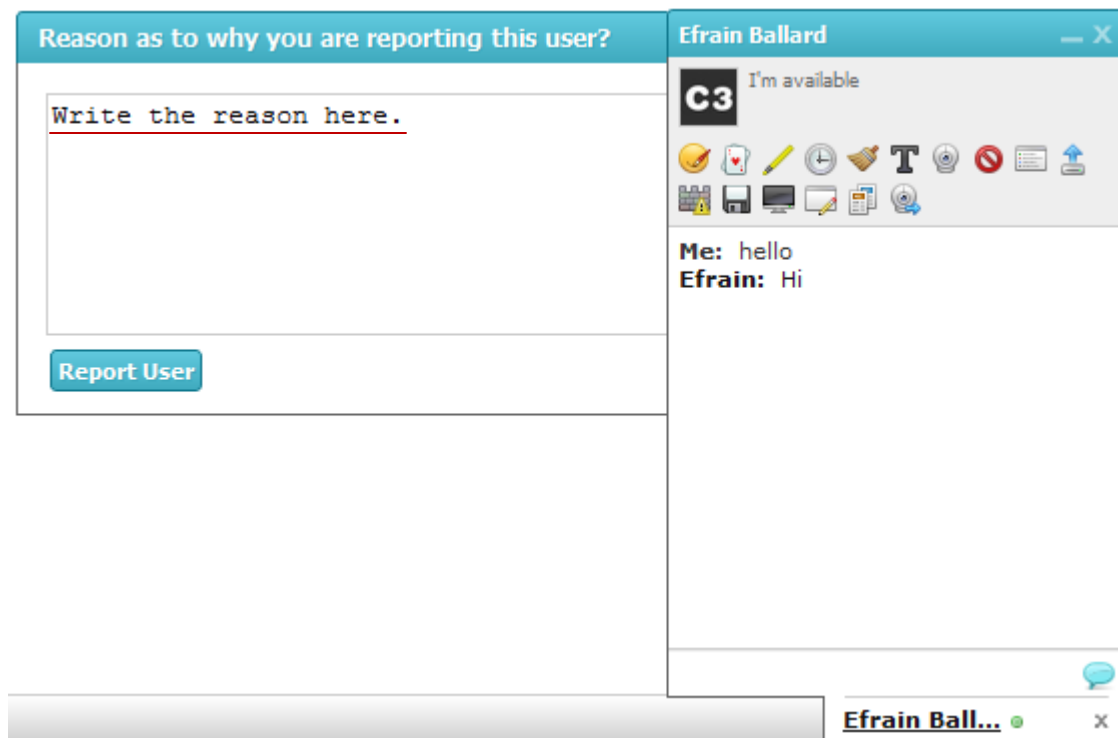


Figure 42

Save Conversation to Desktop:

You can keep local records of your chat conversation by downloading the entire conversations as text files to your desktop.

To save a conversation that you had with your friend, click on the “” button.

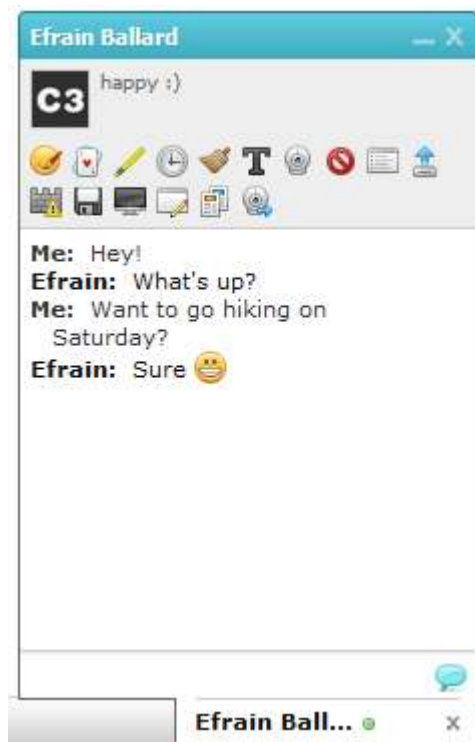


Figure 43

Conversation
downloaded as text
file and saved to
the desktop

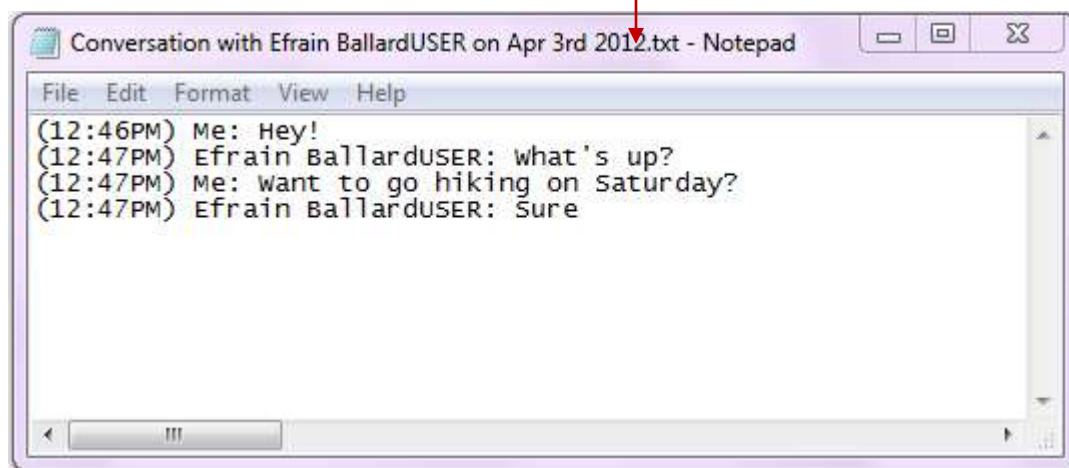



Figure 44

Send a File:

You can quickly send a file to your friend at great ease by using the file transfer facility.

To send a file to your friend, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “” button.
- A new window will open where you have to select the file which you would like to send.
- Click on the “Send file” button.
- The selected file will be automatically sent. You will receive a message: “has successfully sent a file (abc.txt)”.
- Your friend will receive a message and a link “[Click here to download the file](#)” to download the file that you have sent.

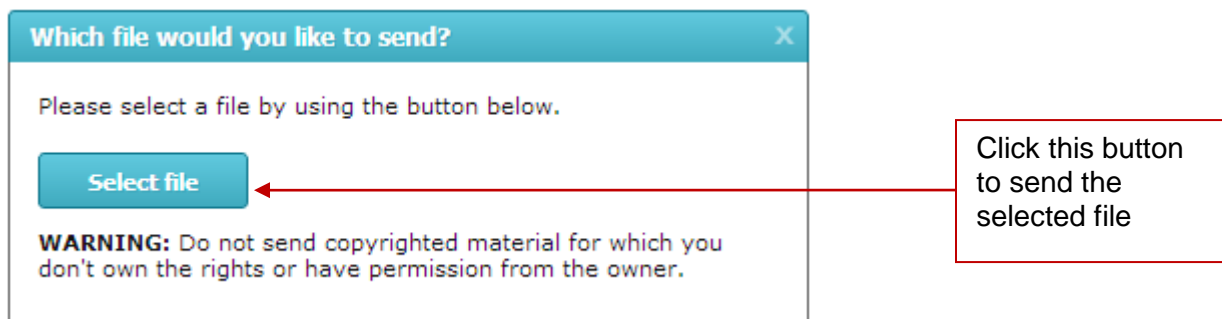


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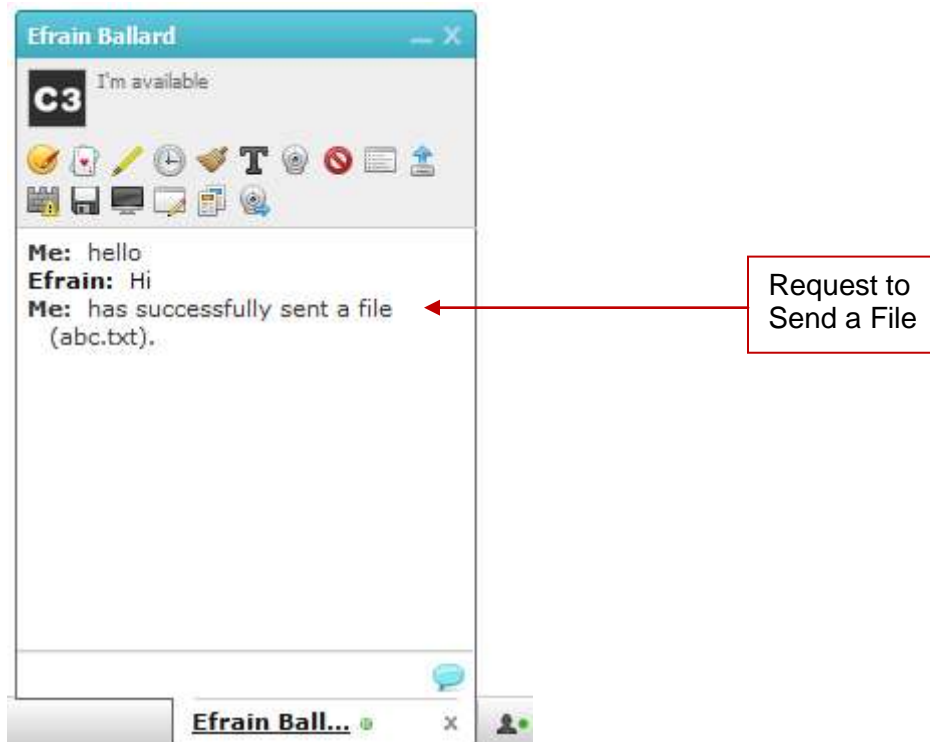


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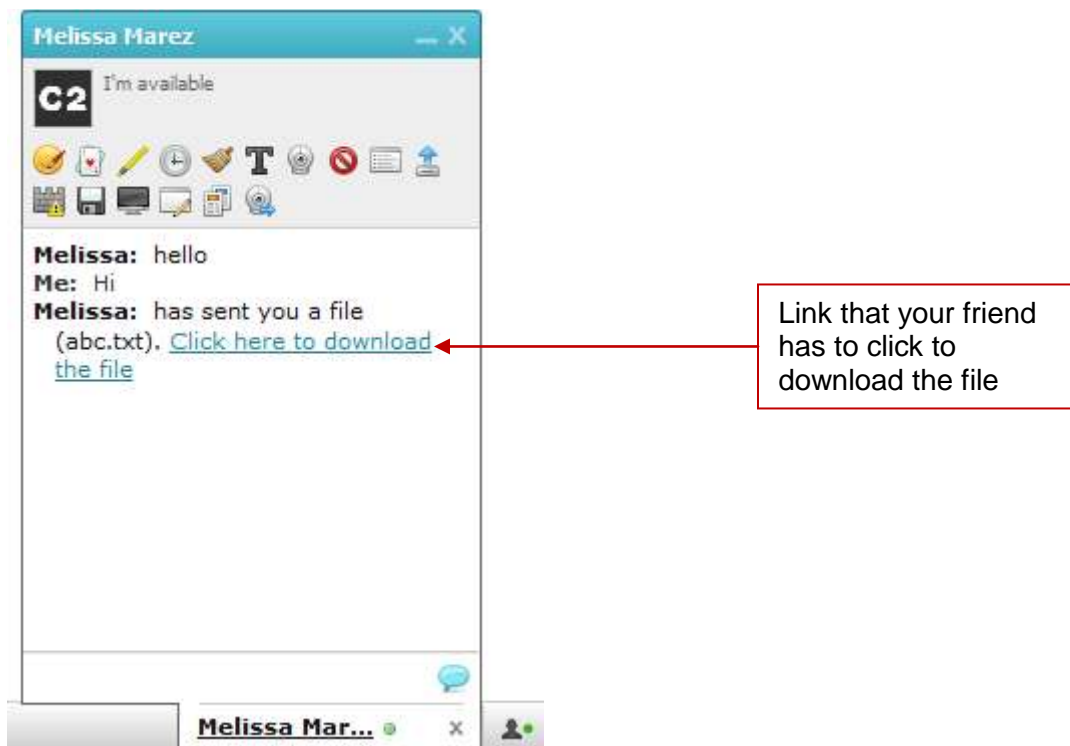


Figure 47

Add a Smiley:

Smileys are a fun way of expressing oneself! You can express yourself to the fullest as the Chat offers a list of smileys that you can add while chatting which will emote and make your conversation more expressive.

To add a smiley, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “😊” button.
- Choose the smiley which you would like to send to your friend.

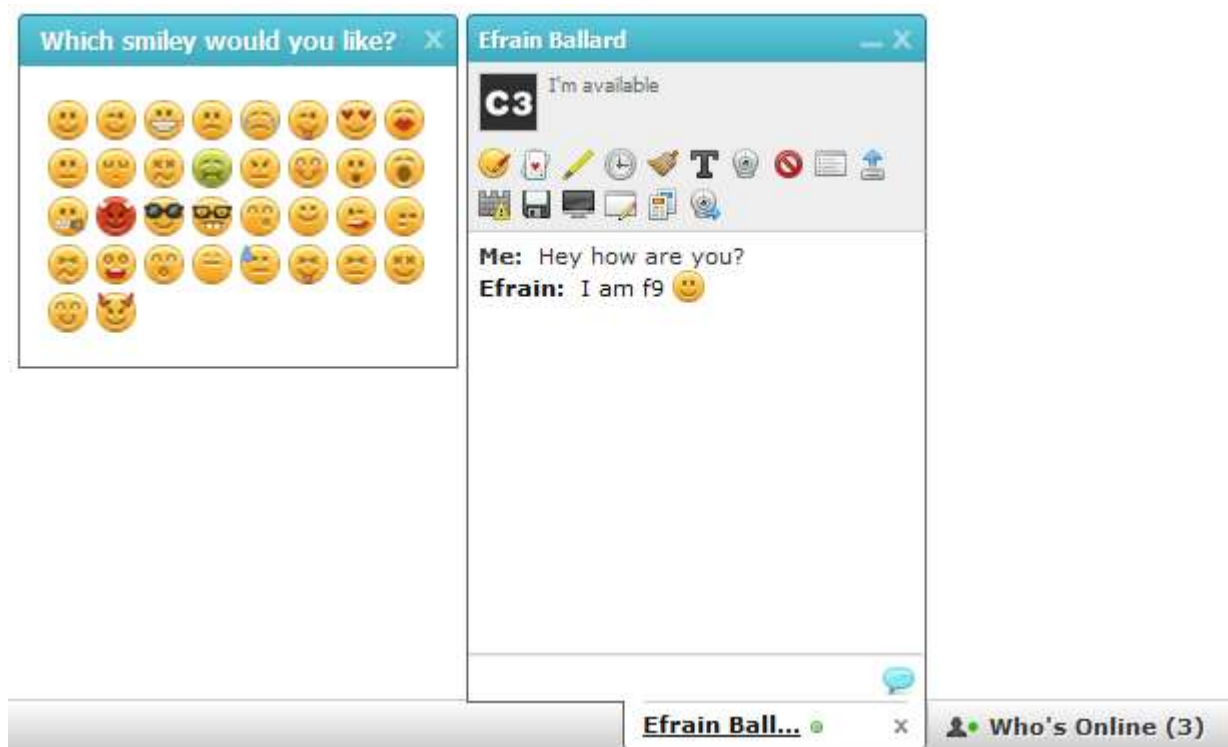



Figure 48

Color your text:

You can use different colors while chatting in Chatrooms to easily distinguish your chat from other users.

To color your text, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “” button.
- Choose the color which you would like to use from the options given in the pop up window.

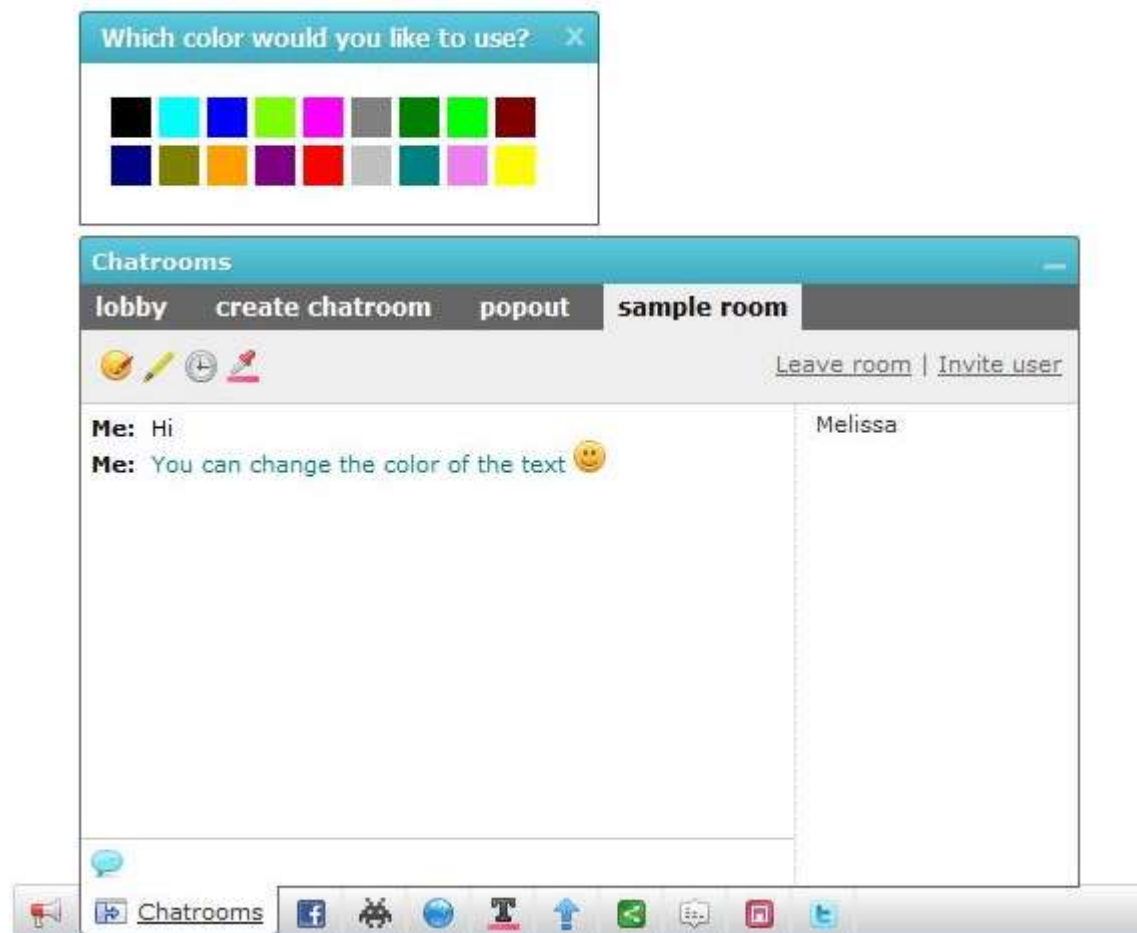


Figure 49

Chat Options:

Click on the '⚙️' icon to change the general options.



Figure 50

Use this Option tab to change name (only for guest users), set your status, update a custom message and enable/disable sound and popup notifications.

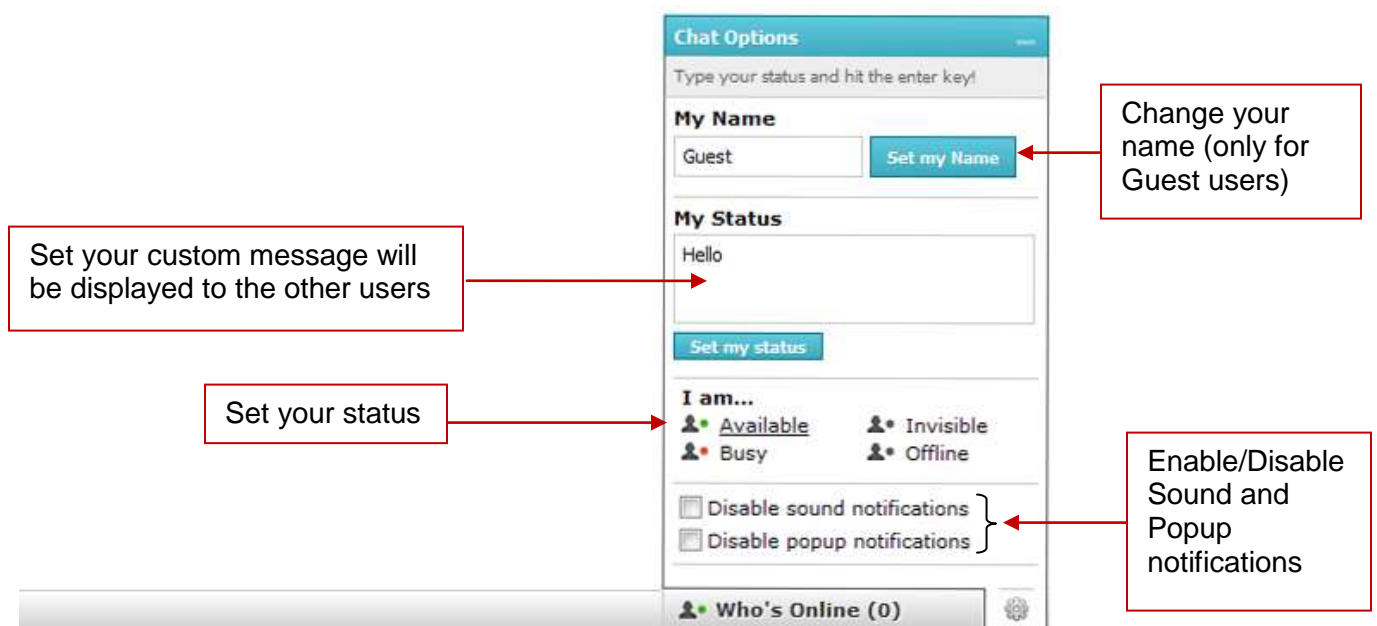


Figure 51

More Features (Module)

Translate Conversations:

You can choose your native language i.e. the language in which you would like all your conversations to be translated. Once you select a language, all the incoming conversations will be automatically translated to your language.

E.g. If Melissa Marez understands only German and if Efrain Ballard types in English then she can always translate the conversation to German.

Click on the “**T**” button to translate a conversation.

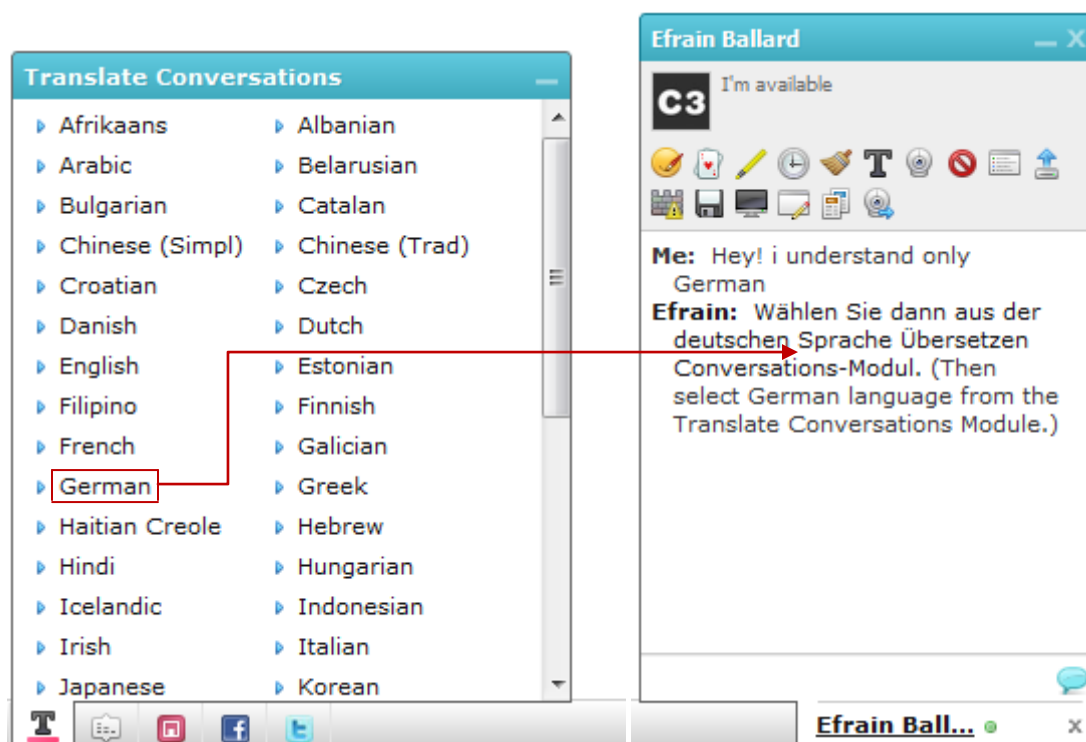


Figure 52

More Features (Plugins)

Write in your language:

This plugin allows you to type in English and convert the text to your native language. Here you can choose from over 20 languages.

Transliteration offers to represent (letters or words) in the corresponding characters of another alphabet.

Note that this is not same as translation; it is the sound of the words that are converted from one alphabet to the other, not their meaning.

To transliterate, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “**T**” button and choose your language
- Write in your language in the space provided.
- Click on the “Send” button after writing your message.

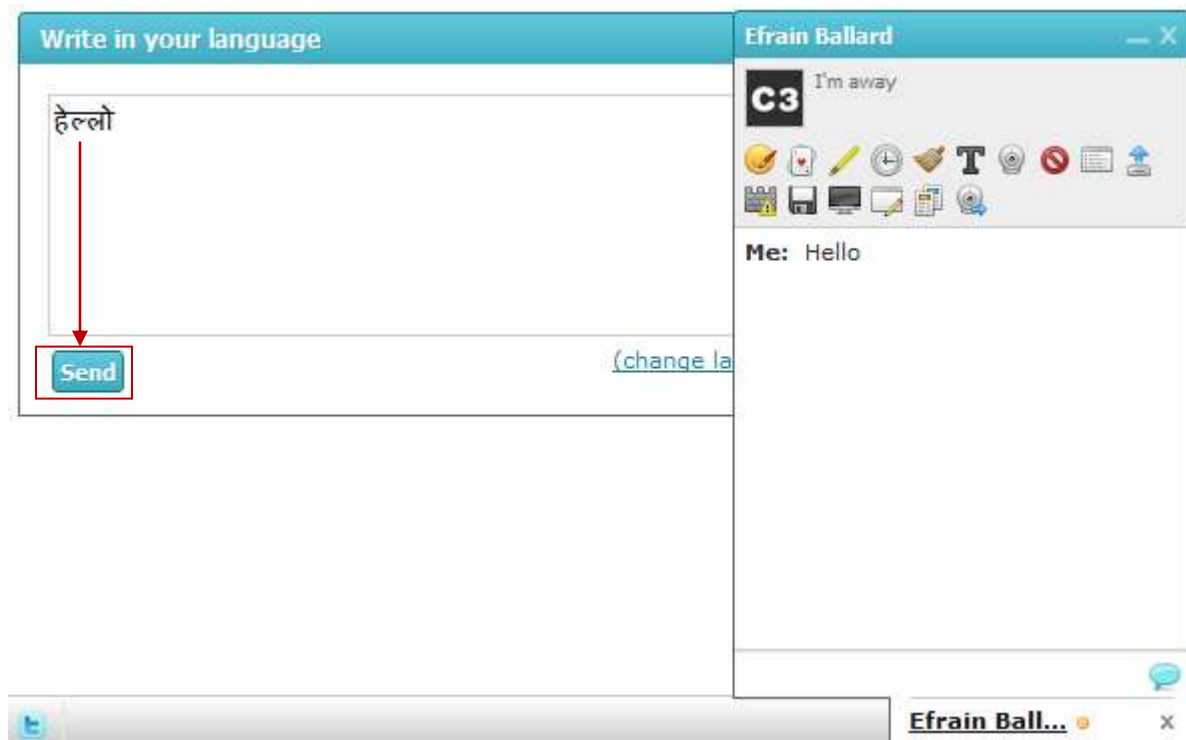


Figure 53

- To Change the language click on the “(change language)” button.
- A window pops out and you can select the language accordingly.

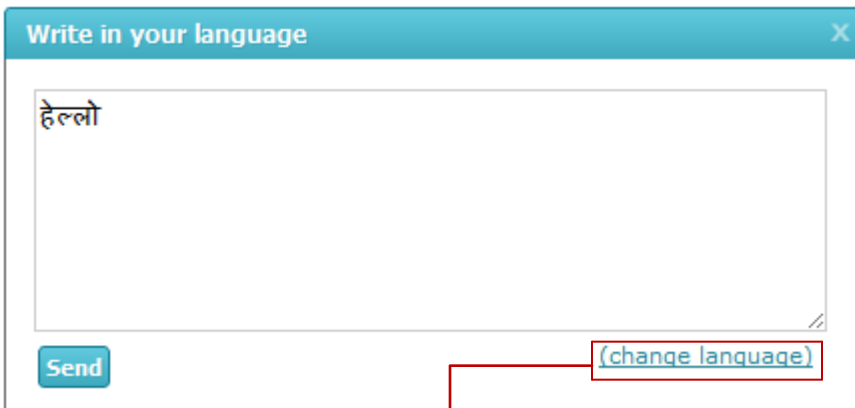


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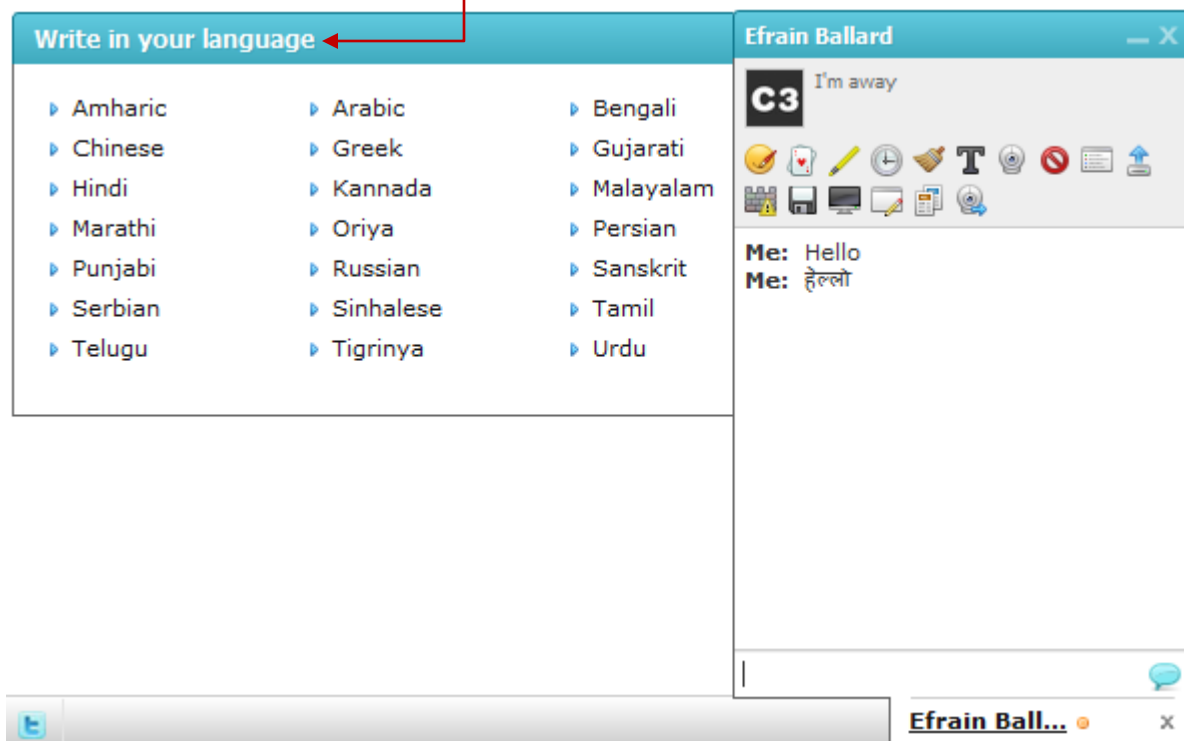



Figure 55

Share a Whiteboard:

You can share thoughts with your friends by drawing on a collaborative whiteboard.

To share a whiteboard, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “” button to share a whiteboard. A whiteboard request will be sent to your friend.
- Your friend has to click on “[Click here to view](#)” link to view the whiteboard.

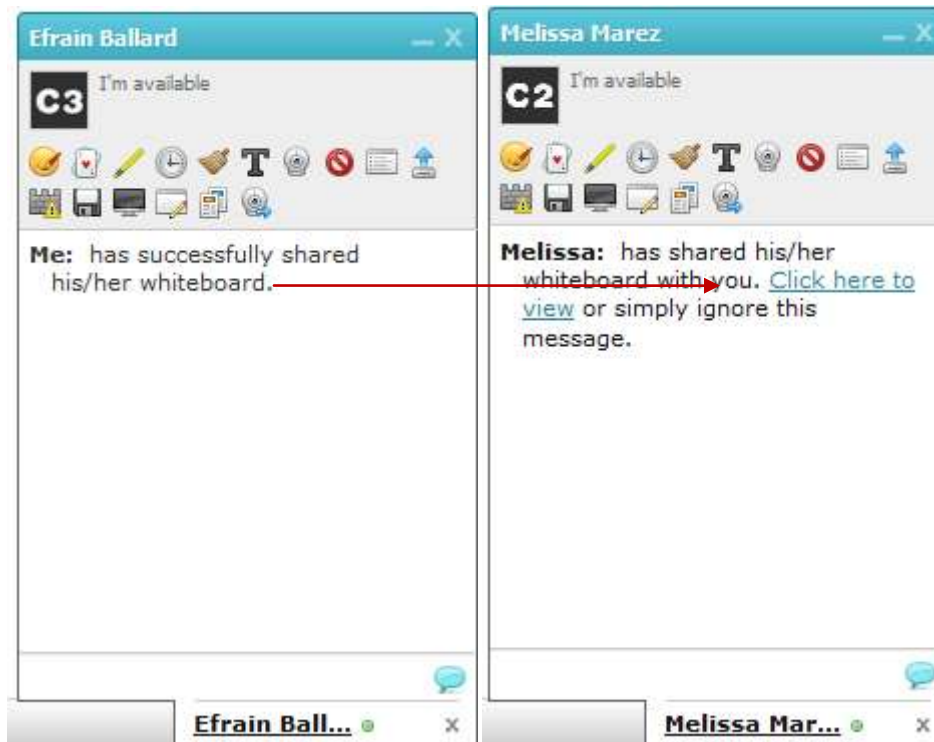


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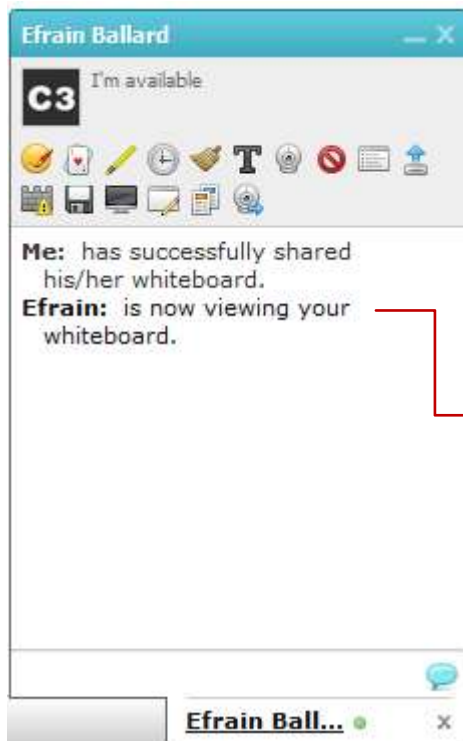


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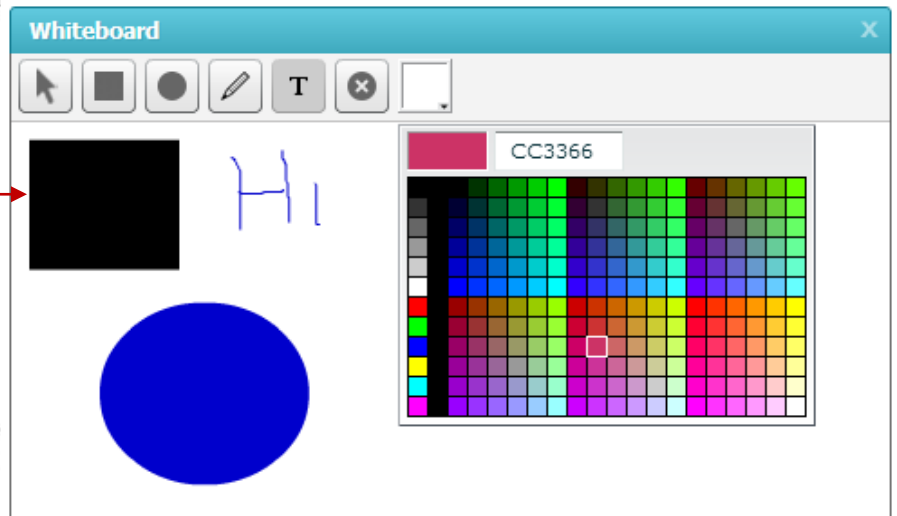



Figure 59

Note: In white board there are various tools with which you can work efficiently.

Share a Collaborative document:

You have the option to collaborate together with your friends to work on a document with the help of the Writeboard plugin.

To share a Writeboard, follow the steps listed below:

- Click on the “” button.
- A writeboard request will be sent to your friend.
- Your friend has to click on “[Click here to view the document](#)” link to view the same document.

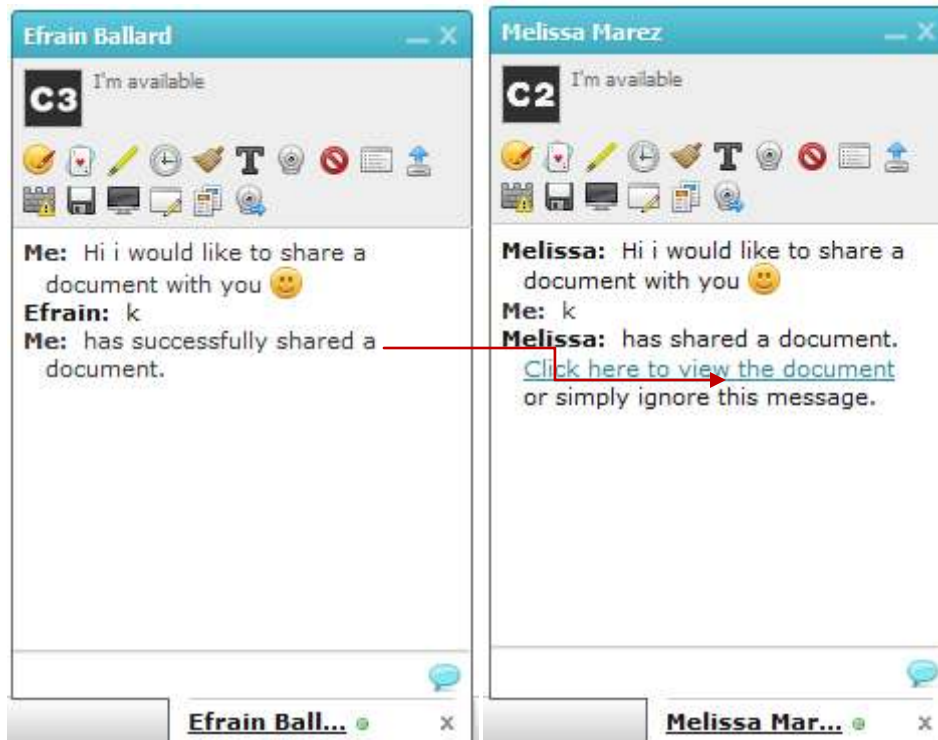


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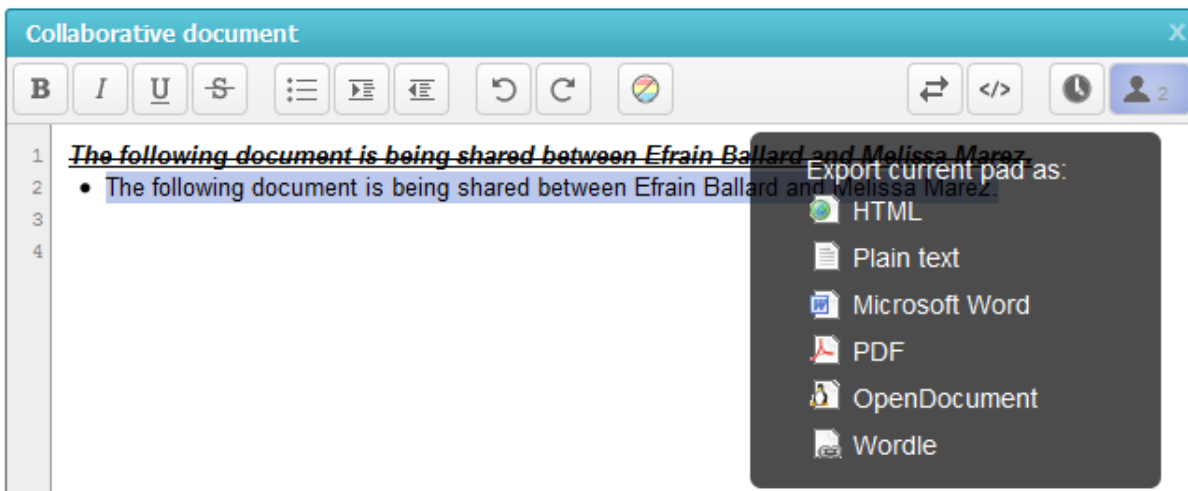


Figure 62

Note: In this shared document there are various options that are listed below.

- Bold: To bold the text.
- Italic: To change the style of the font.
- Underline: To underline the text.
- Strikethrough: To strikethrough the text.
- Toggle Bullet List: To bullet the text.
- Export the contents of this document to different formats.
- Share and embed the pad.
- Number of online users.

More Features (Extensions)

Connect to Facebook/Gtalk:

To chat with your Facebook and Gtalk friends, follow the steps given below:

- Click on the “Who’s online” Tab.
- In the “Who’s Online” window, click on the “Connect to Facebook/Gtalk” button.

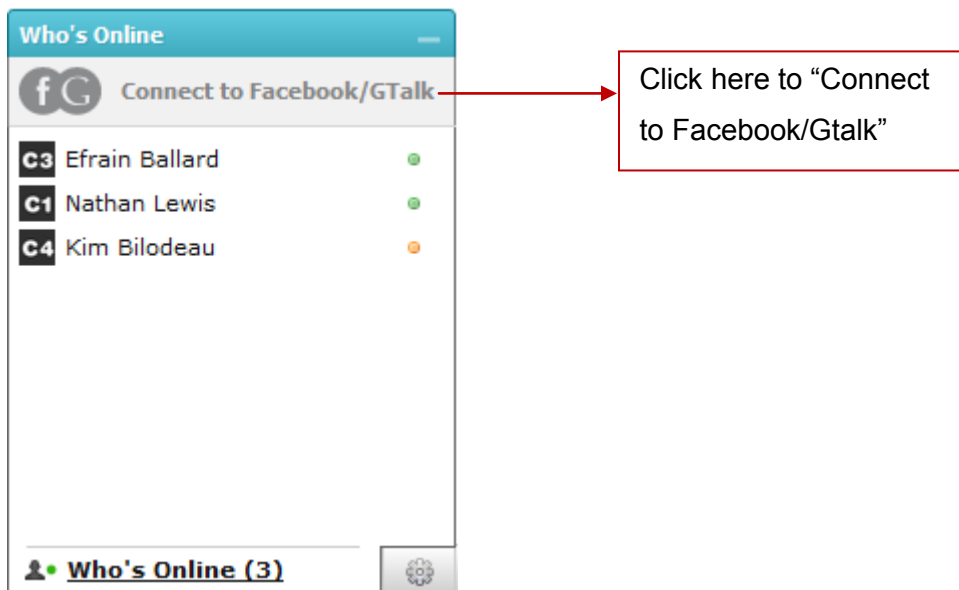
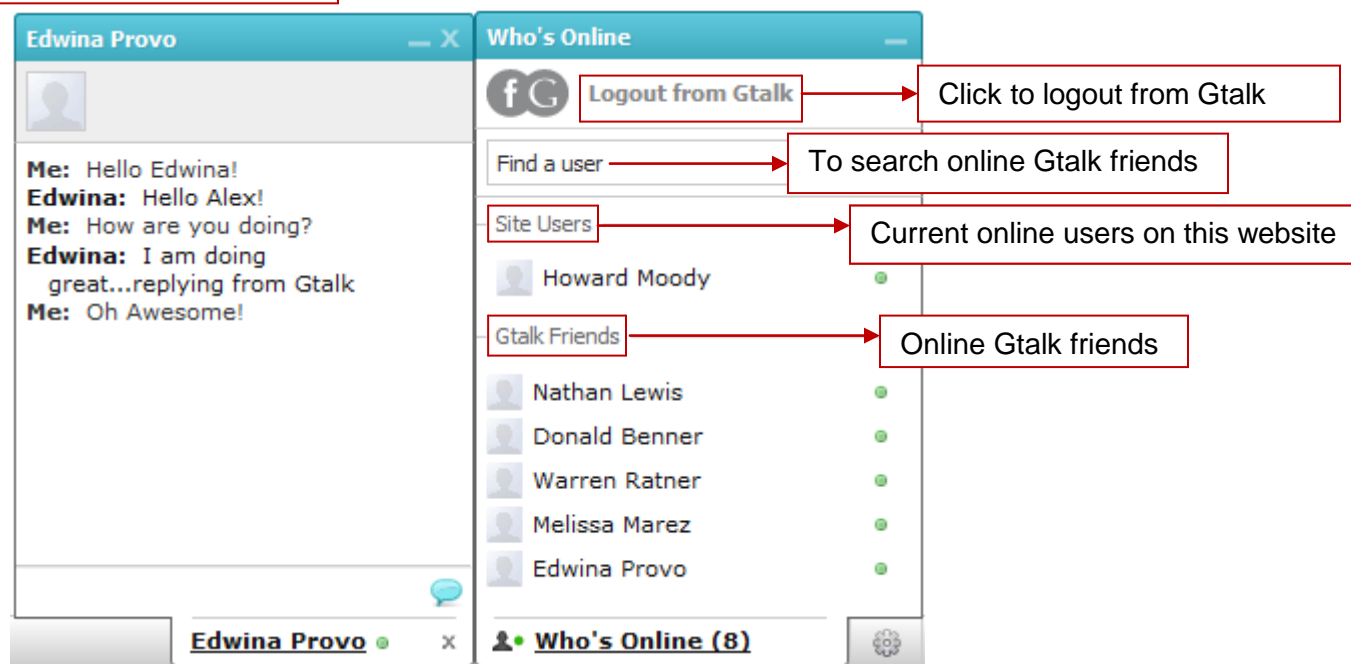
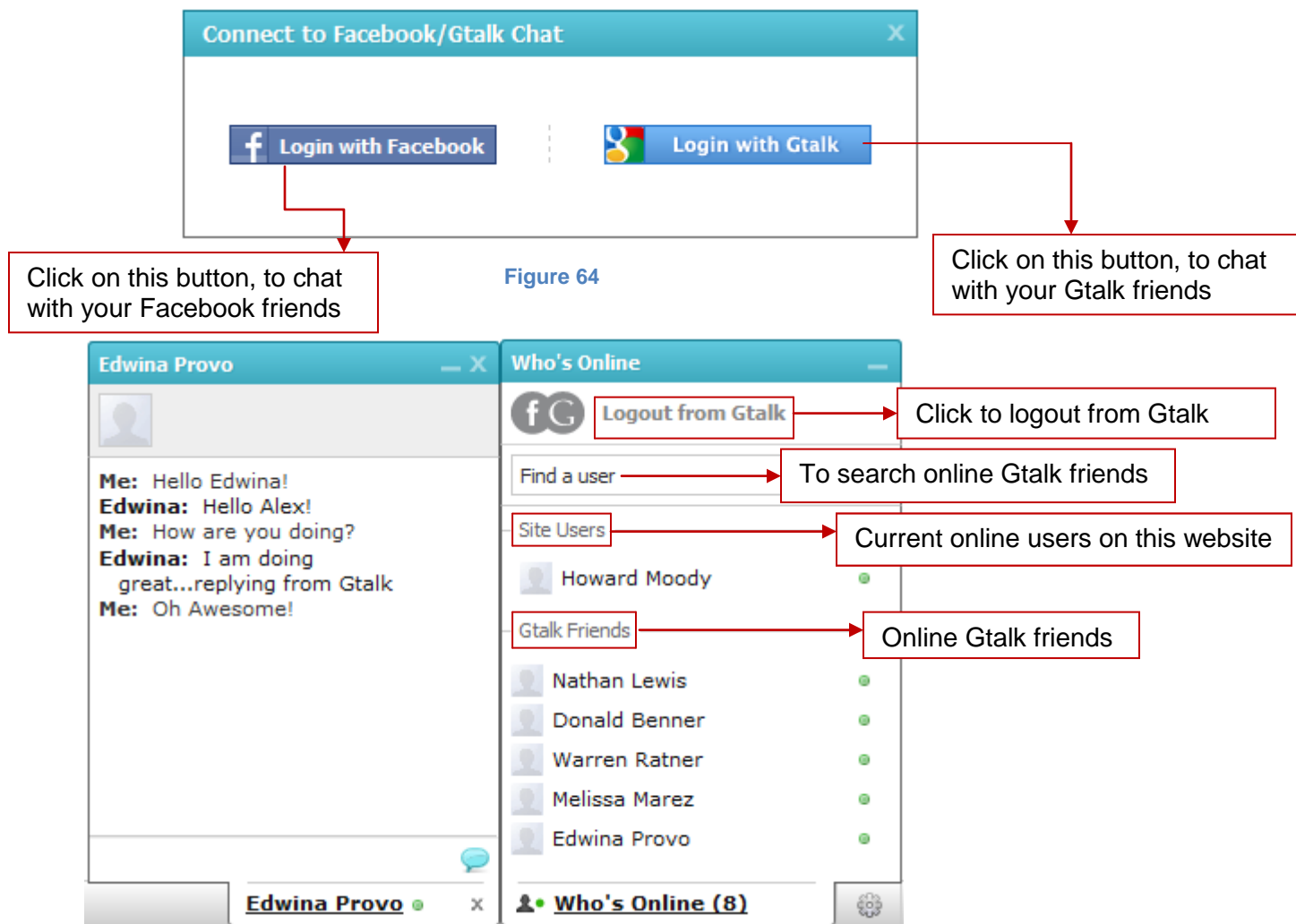


Figure 63

- A new window opens when you click on the “Connect to Facebook/Gtalk” button.
- To connect to Gtalk Chat, enter your user name and password in the space provided and click on the “Signin to Gtalk” button.
- To connect to Facebook friends, click on the “Login with Facebook” button.



Mobile Web Apps

If you rely on mobile devices for communication, then you don't need to worry about the same. This is the first ever mobile application that lets the user access CometChat from absolutely anywhere.

Available on all the leading Android and iOS devices; CometChat mobile WebApp provides a variety of options like launching one-on-one chats and chatrooms from anywhere.

One-on-One Chat:

Click on One-on-One Chat option to have a chat with all your online friends logged in using mobile devices.

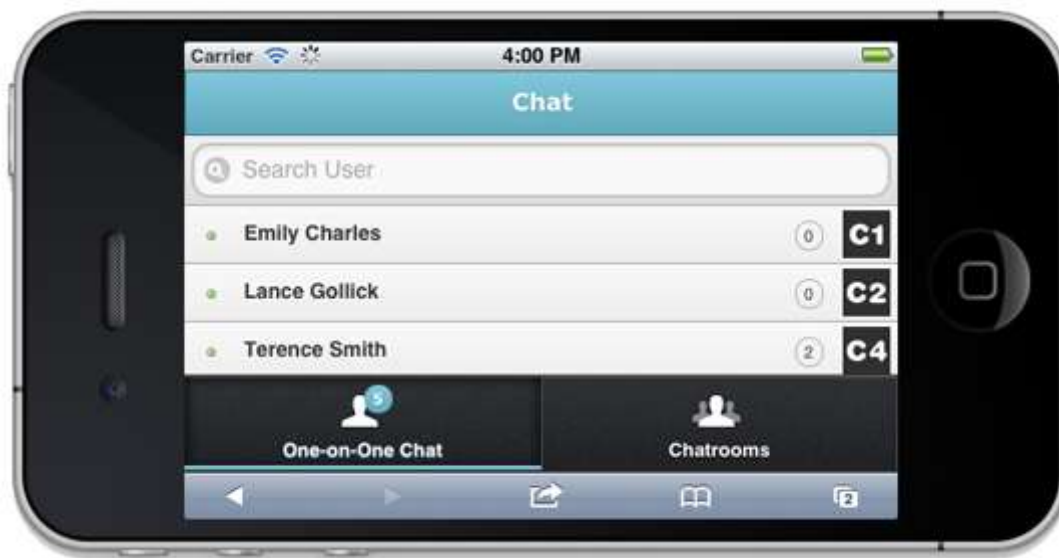


Figure 66



Figure 67

Note: If you are using mobile devices for chatting, then all plugins (except smileys) and modules will be disabled.

Chatrooms:

You also have the option to talk to all your friends in a group. Create your own chatroom to stay in touch with all of them.

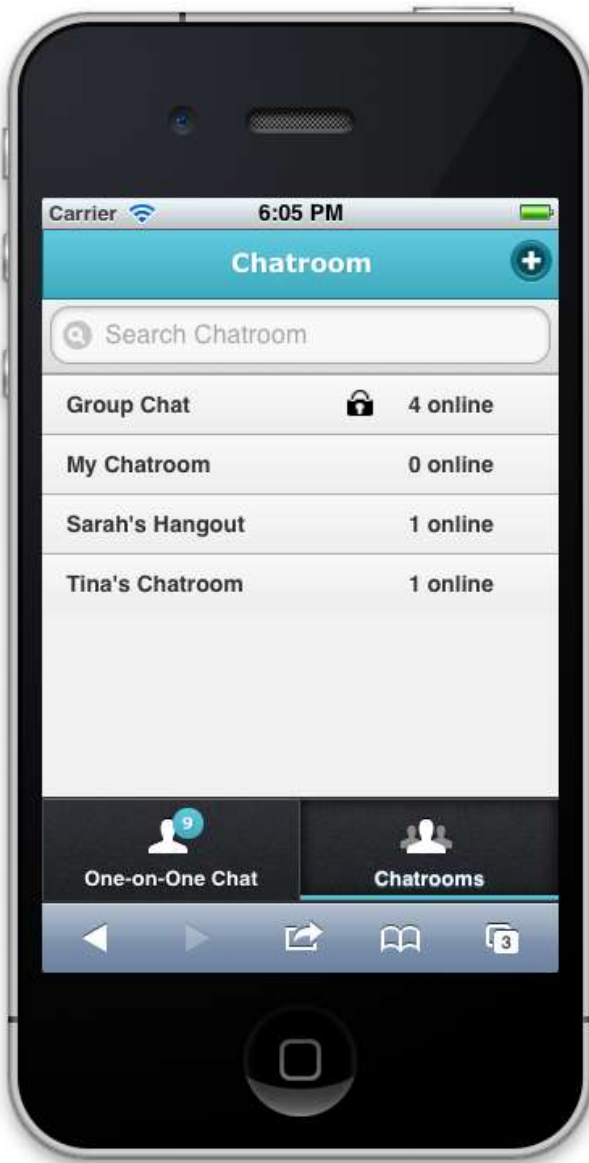


Figure 68

You can create a password protected room to make your conversation private.

To create your private chatroom, follow the steps listed below:

1. Update the **Name field** with your group name.
2. Set the Type to **Password-protected room**.
3. Enter your password.
4. Click on the **Create room** button.

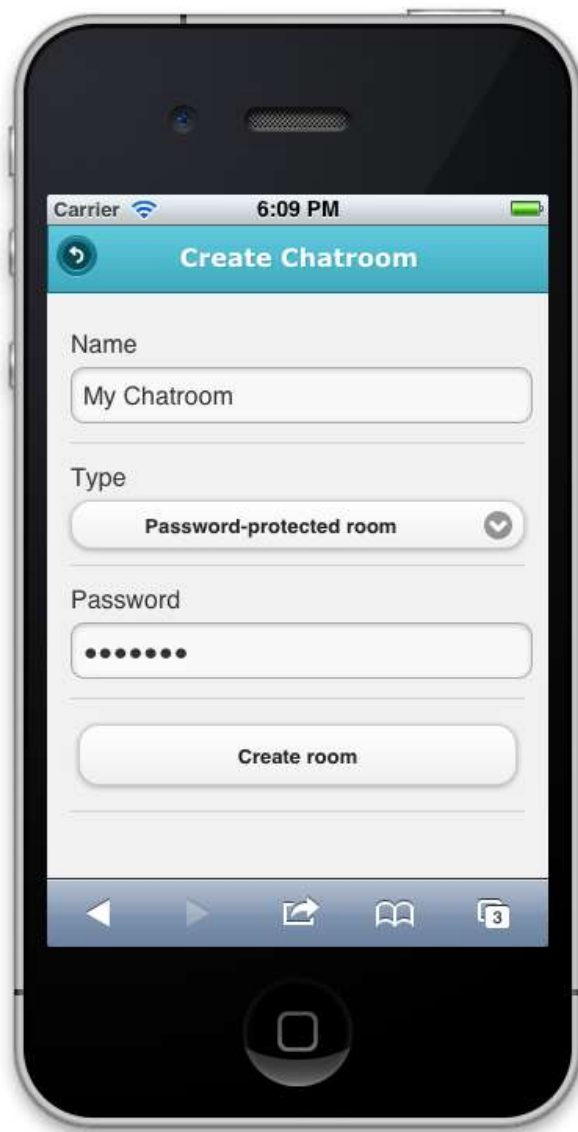


Figure 69

You can also create a public room where you can make new friends by letting anyone to join the group.

To create your public chatroom, follow the steps listed below:

1. Update the **Name field** with your group name.
2. Set the Type to **Public room**.
3. Click on the **Create room** button.

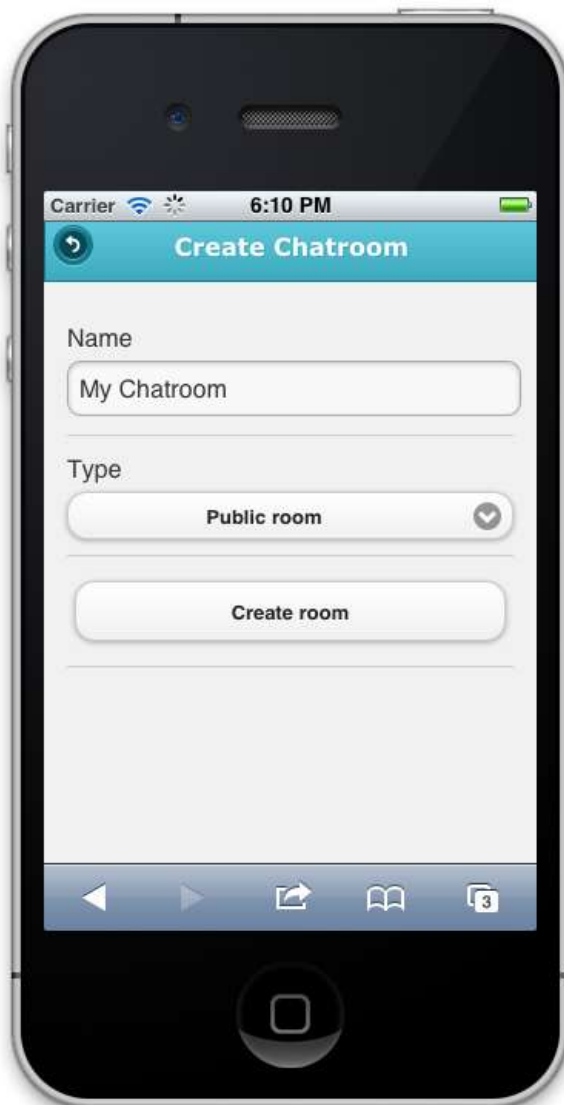


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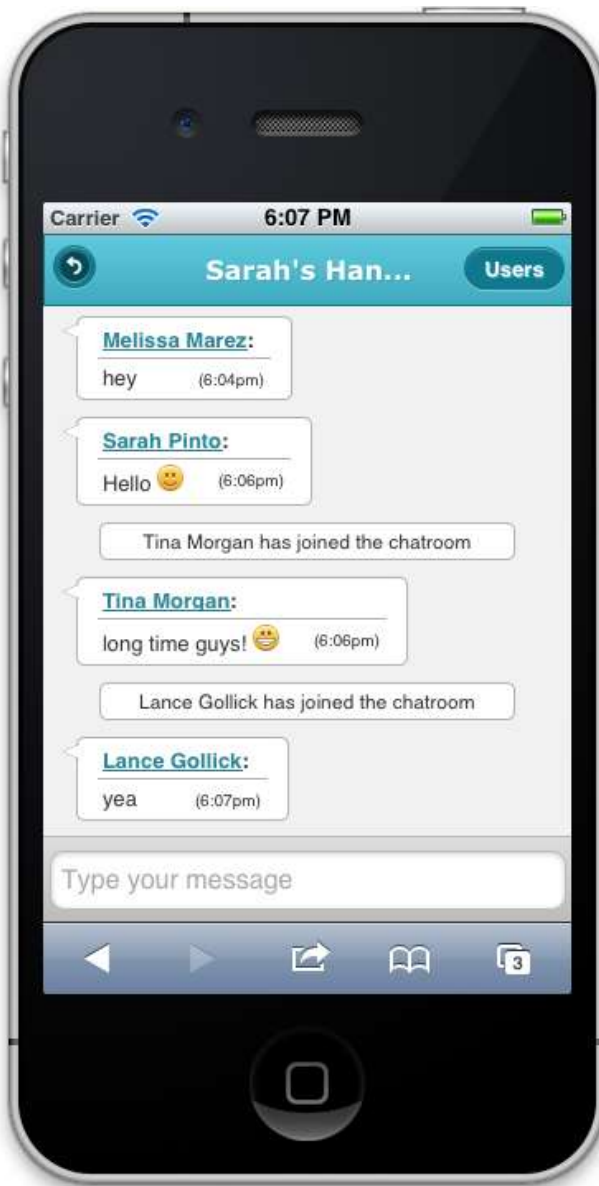




Figure 71

Frequently Asked Questions

1. I missed out on an announcement. How to view it?
 - You can always view old announcements by clicking on the Announcements module on the chat bar.
2. I am not able to understand the language used by the other user?
 - You can always click on the “Translate conversations” module and select the language which you understand. All future conversations with that user will be translated to the language which you have chosen.
3. I need to change my status?
 - Click on the “Chat options” button and type in your current status and then click on the set my status option.
4. How to unblock a user?
 - Click on the “Chat options” button located besides the “Who’s Online” tab.
 - Then click on the [“Manage blocked users”](#) link and select the user you would like to unblock.
5. How to change the look of the chat bar?
 - Click on the change theme module and select the theme of your choice from the given options to change the look and feel of the chat bar.
6. What is the difference between Single player games and play a game?
 - “Single player games” is a module which can be used by a single online user to play a game “Play a game” is a plugin which can be used for multi player games i.e. two or more online users can play a game with each other.

7. I accidentally cleared my conversations with my friend?
 - You can always view your previous conversation by clicking on the “View Chat History” option.
8. Someone is sending me spam messages?
 - You can always notify the administrator of the website about such online users by simply clicking on the “Report Conversations” plugin and writing a valid reason in the text area provided in “Report Conversation” window.
9. How can I set my status message?
 - To set a status message, click on the “Chat Option” on the chat bar.
 - Then click on the “Set my status” button to set or type your message in the area provided.
10. How can I create my own chat group?
 - To create your own chatroom, click on “create chatroom” tab in the chatroom module. Select “Password-protected room” from the “Type” dropdown box and set a name and password for the chatroom accordingly.
11. How can I translate the entire web page?
 - Click on the “Translate Page” module, a window opens. Now choose the language in which you would like to view the page.
12. How do I save a conversation to my desktop?
 - To save a conversation that you had with your friend, click on the “” button.
13. How can I view my friend’s profile?
 - To view your friend’s profile, click on your friend’s profile name or avatar in the chat box.

14. How can I share a document with my friend?

- Click on the “” button to share a document with your friend.
- A request will be sent to your friend.
- Once your friend accepts your request, your document will be shared with your friend.

15. How can I Kick a user from my chatroom?

- Click on the name of the user you would like to kick.
- Click on the “Kick” button on the dialog box that appears on the screen.

16. How can I Ban a user from my chatroom?

- Click on the name of the user you would like to Ban.
- Click on the “Ban” button on the dialog box that appears on the screen.