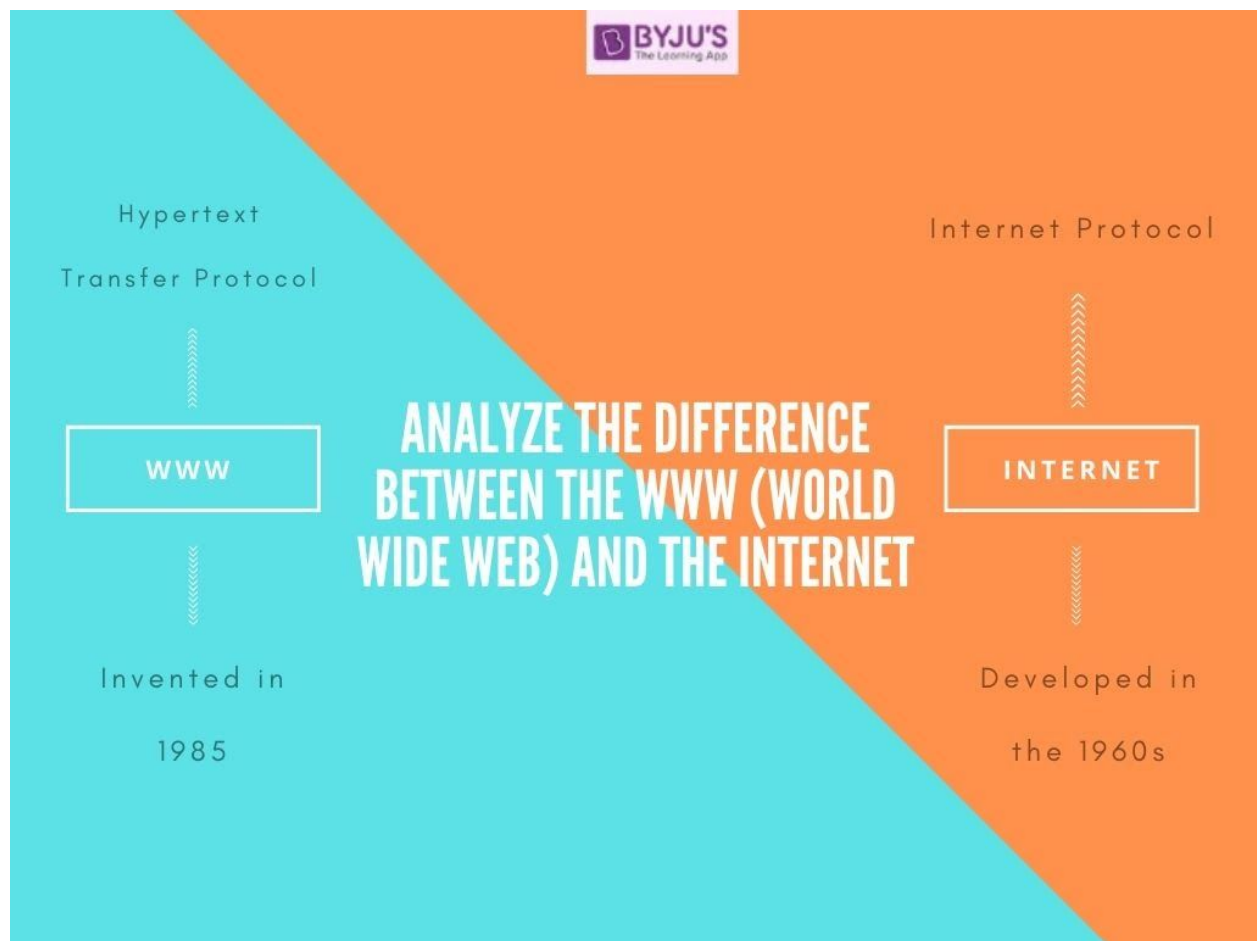# Difference Between WWW and Internet

The terms World Wide Web (WWW) and the Internet are so often used interchangeably that the fundamental difference between the two is easily forgotten.

In simple words, WWW is just a common point of connectivity for information sharing that is facilitated by a global network of computers.

The internet, on the other hand, is a connection between computers and countless other devices that form a huge network of systems.

This article will further highlight the differences between WWW and the Internet within the context of the IAS Exam.

Differences between WWW and Internet

WWW (World Wide Web)	Internet
The World Wide Web is the common system for navigating the internet. It is not the only system that can be used for such access, but it is by far the most common one.	The internet is a public network of network with a maze of wired and wireless connections between separate groups of servers computers and countless devices from around the world
The World Wide Web is distinguished from other systems through its use of HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol). It can be safely said that the HTTP is the language of the World Wide Web	Along with Internters, there also exist the Intranets, which is the same type of information network but more privatized in order to control access.
WWW is more software-oriented as compared to the Internet	Internet is primarily hardware-based.
The HTTP along with being the language of the World Wide Web also governs it by dealing with linking of files, documents and other resources	The internet is governed by a set of rules and regulations collectively known as Internet Protocol (IP). The IP deals with data transmitted through the internet.
The invention of the World Wide Web can be credited to Sir Tim Berners Lee. During his work at the Europen Organization for Nuclear Research in 1989, he had developed the basic idea of the WWW to merge the evolving technologies of computers, data networks and hypertext into a powerful and easy to use global information system.	The first workable prototype of the Internet was the ARPANET (Advanced Research Project Agency Network) in the late 1960s. After its adoption on January 1st 1983, researchers began to develop a "network of networks" which evolved into the modern form of the Internet