# Think accessible — Create accessible

Today is Global accessibility Awareness Day. Let’s talk about accessibility and spread awareness about digital access to people with disabilities

## Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD)

Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD) is an awareness day focusing on accessibility, often emphasizing web accessibility. It is marked annually on the third Thursday of May. In 2018, there were local Global Accessibility Awareness Day events planned in seventeen countries.

According to the Global Accessibility Awareness Day website, "The purpose of GAAD is to get everyone talking, thinking and learning about digital (web, software, mobile, etc.) access/inclusion and people with different disabilities.” Local Global Accessibility Awareness Day events sometimes showcase how people with disabilities use the web and digital products using assistive technologies, or assist people creating technology products in taking into consideration the needs of certain disabilities.

Global Accessibility Awareness Day started in May 2012. It was inspired by a blog post by web developer Joe Devon. Devon worked with Jennison Asucion, an accessibility professional from Toronto, to launch the accessibility day.

Global Accessibility Awareness Day is associated with the hashtag #gbla11yday.

### Learn more about

To learn more about this event check out the global accessibility awareness day website at: <http://globalaccessibilityawarenessday.org/>

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