

What is the metaverse?

The metaverse is the idea for a virtual world. Currently, it is a concept that is being developed by many different companies. The metaverse could be explored using a computer, gaming console, mobile, wearable technology, or other device; experiencing 3D graphics and sound along the way. The key difference through using a headset is that it makes you feel more present in the metaverse, and presumably less present in the everyday world (where your body remains).

It is thought you would have an avatar to represent you and you will be able to do many everyday activities including shopping, playing games, attend a work meeting and even socialise with friends.



Pictured above: Meta's Quest 2 VR (virtual reality) headset

What is ?

Meta is Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg's new company with the aim to develop their own version of the metaverse. Meta's metaverse will use virtual and mixed realities, to create an immersive online experience, where users are not just scrolling, posting and commenting, but interacting in a fully realised computer-generated world.



Pictured above: Meta's first look at what a business meeting might look like in the metaverse.

To be part of the metaverse, it is expected that all users will need a VR headset. This will allow them to join a virtual world whenever they choose.

Headsets now, allow the user to perceive situations in 3D, feeling more realistic than ever before.