# Using AWS

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## Signing Up

- Standard signup procedure
- Requires credit card
  - New accounts get free tier
  - \$100 class voucher
  - Should not cost you anything

### Launching a Server

Go to your dashboard:

https://console.aws.amazon.com/ec2/v2/home? region=us-west-2

Demo time!

### Setting Billing Alerts

- Go to the billing preferences, enable alerts (<a href="https://console.aws.amazon.">https://console.aws.amazon.</a> com/billing/home?#/preferences)
- Go to the account activity page, set an alert (<a href="https://portal.aws.amazon.">https://portal.aws.amazon.</a> com/gp/aws/developer/account? ie=UTF8&action=activity-summary)

#### Important Notes

- Monitor your costs!
  - Setup alerts when you go over \$5, \$10, etc.
- Stop your instances if you're still working
  - Keeps the attached storage (costs \$)
- Terminate your instances
  - Deletes everything from your instance (stops cost)
- Spot instances may save money