

# MindView failed to communicate with the servers

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## Unlock the Power of MindView: Check Your Connection Settings

MindView needs to communicate with a few key domains to deliver its fantastic features, especially for collaboration and online documents.

Please ensure your system allows access to the following essential domains:

Service	Address	Why it's Critical
Authorization	<a href="https://accounts.matchware.com">https://accounts.matchware.com</a>	This is your <b>key</b> to subscription access!
MindView Online	<a href="https://www.mindviewonline.com">https://www.mindviewonline.com</a>	Essential for online document work.
MindView Drive	<a href="https://www.sharedworkspace.com">https://www.sharedworkspace.com</a>	Essential for collaboration and file storage.
MindView Assist	<a href="https://api.mindview.app">https://api.mindview.app</a>	Keeps your application running with the latest tools.
MindView AI	<a href="https://ai.mindview.app/">https://ai.mindview.app/</a>	Gives you access to exciting AI features!
Help & Quick Start	<a href="https://help.matchware.com">https://help.matchware.com</a>	For instant access to guides and support.

## The Fast Fix: Update Your Security Certificates

MindView uses the native Windows connection tools (called **WinINet**) to communicate securely. The most common reason for a connection error is that your system's **Root Certificates**—which are like digital ID cards—are a bit out of date. If they're outdated, your system blocks access to non-validated sites.

### Important Initial Checks:

- **Update Windows:** Make sure your Windows operating system is fully updated! This automatically updates your security certificates.
- **Check Your Proxy:** If you use a network proxy, ensure it is configured to allow communication to **all** the domains listed in the table above.

### Option 1: Adding Domains to Trusted Sites (Easy & Recommended)

This adjustment tells your system to trust our domains completely.

1. Open **Internet Properties** from the Windows Control Panel.
2. Go to the **Security** tab.
3. Select **Trusted sites** and click the **Sites** button.
4. Add each of the addresses listed above and click **Add**.

### Option 2: Disabling Certificate Validation (A Powerful

## Workaround)

If MindView is still having trouble connecting, we can temporarily turn off the strict certificate validation. This is especially useful if you can't update your Root Certificates right away.

1. Open **Internet Properties** from the Windows Control Panel.
2. Go to the **Advanced** tab.
3. Scroll down to the **Security** section.
4. **Uncheck** the following items:
  - “Check for publisher’s certificate revocation”
  - “Check for server certificate revocation” (**Requires a restart!**)
  - “Check for signatures on downloaded programs”

## Option 3: Manual Security Certificate Update (For Advanced Users)

You can force a manual update to your security certificates for a definitive fix.

1. **Download the updated certificates:**
  - Start the **Command Prompt** (search for `cmd`).
  - Run the command: `certutil -generateSSTFromWU trc.sst`
2. **Install the updated certificates**
  - Start **Powershell** (search for `powershell`).
  - Run the following two lines (replace <path to root certs> with the actual file path):
    - `$sst_file = (Get-ChildItem -path <path to root certs>\trc.sst)`
    - `$sst_file | Import-Certificate -CertStoreLocation Cert:\LocalMachine\Root`

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This final adjustment will fully implement the change and get you back to creating fantastic mind maps!