

# Passkeys are here!

## What now?



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# Passkey overview





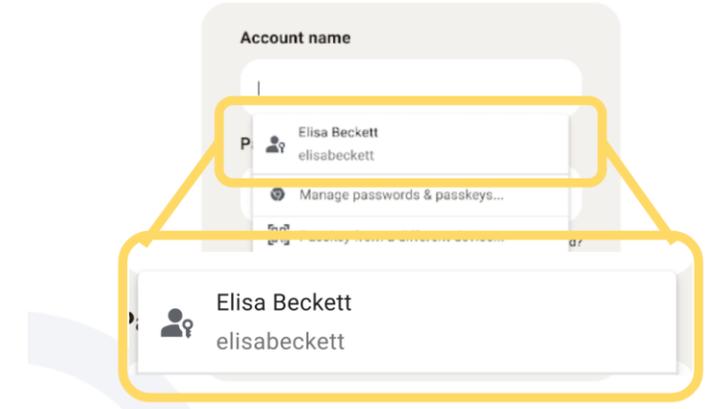
## Syncing

Passkeys aren't only stored on a single device, but synchronize to your (Google) account and is available on your other devices too



## Cross-device

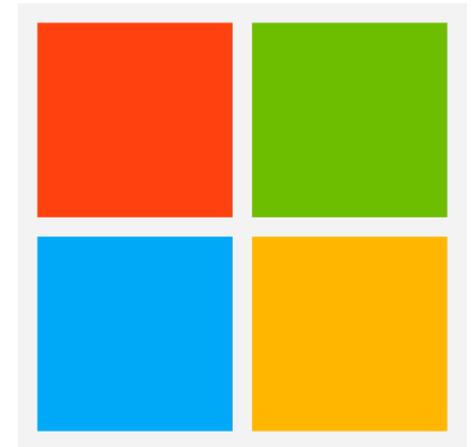
Passkeys on *one* device, can be used on a *different* device using FIDO's standardized cross-device flow



## Discoverable

Passkeys contain metadata which allows your system (browser, autofill, etc) to present passkeys to you, even if you didn't know you had one

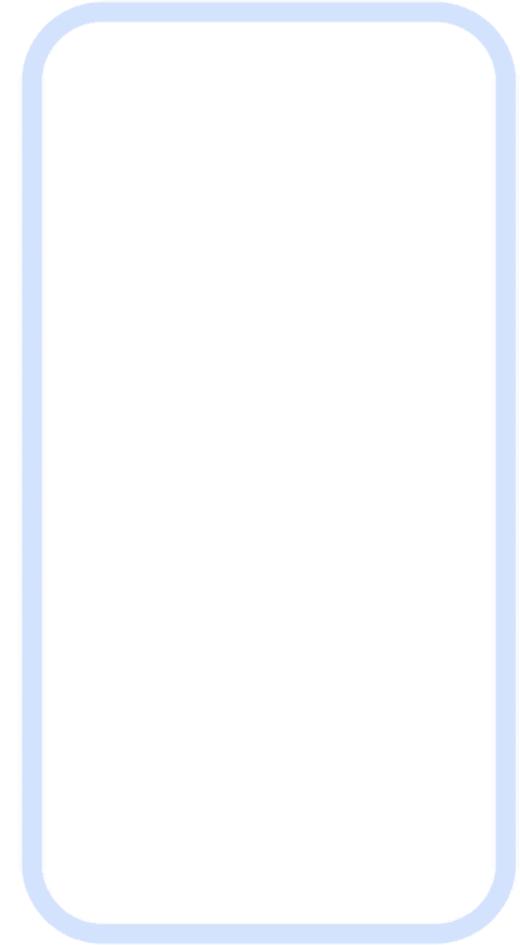
# Passkeys are available everywhere (well... almost)



# How do they work?

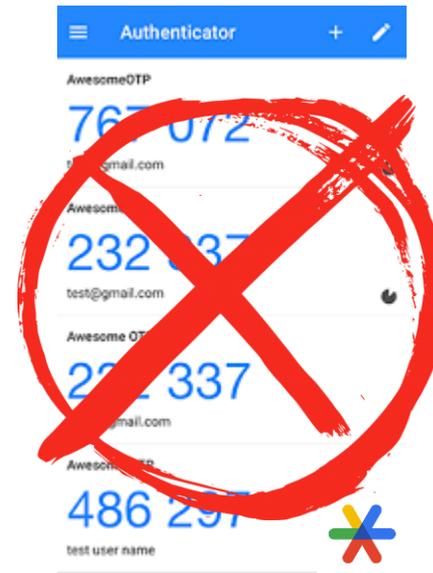
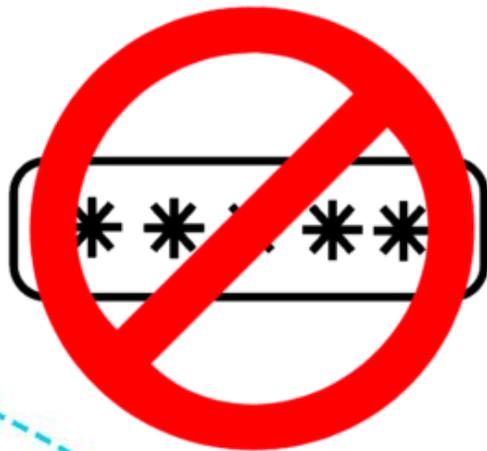
Passkeys enable signing in to a site using the same method you use to unlock your device (FaceID, TouchID, etc).

The biometric unlocks your “passkey” to generate a signature that enables you to sign in.



# They don't only replace passwords

Passkeys are inherently *two-factors-in-one*; meant to replace **both** the user's password **and** traditional multi-factor authentication step.



# Communicating the value proposition to users

## Confidentiality (Security)

My sensitive information should be  
**protected from unauthorized  
access**

Security  
needs

## Integrity

My sensitive information should not  
be changed or deleted by others

## Availability (ease of access)

I want **easy access** to my sensitive  
information when I need it



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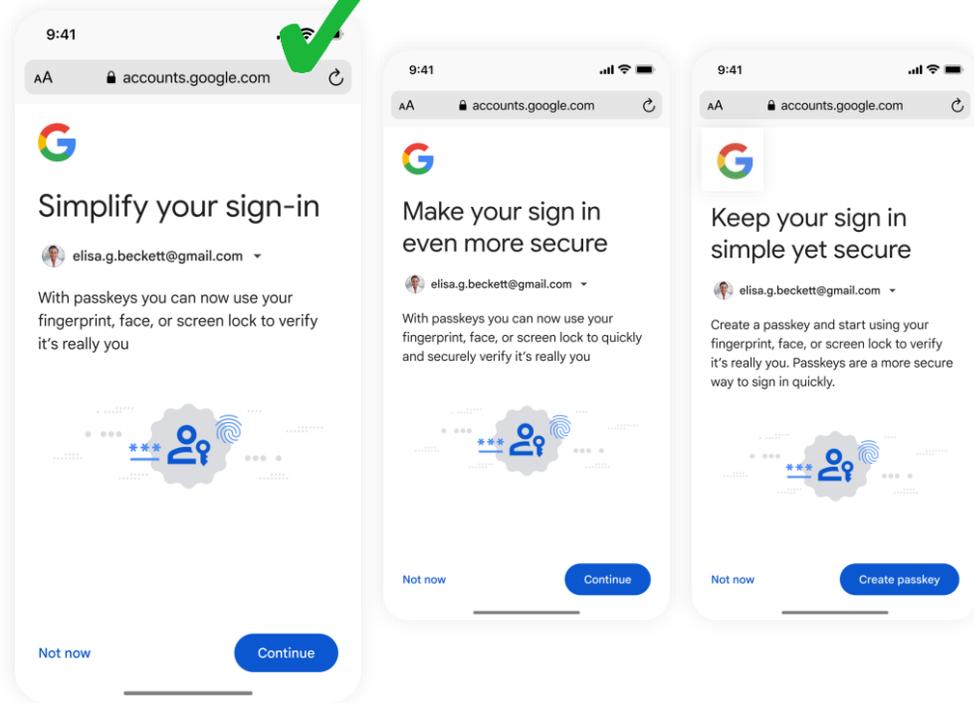
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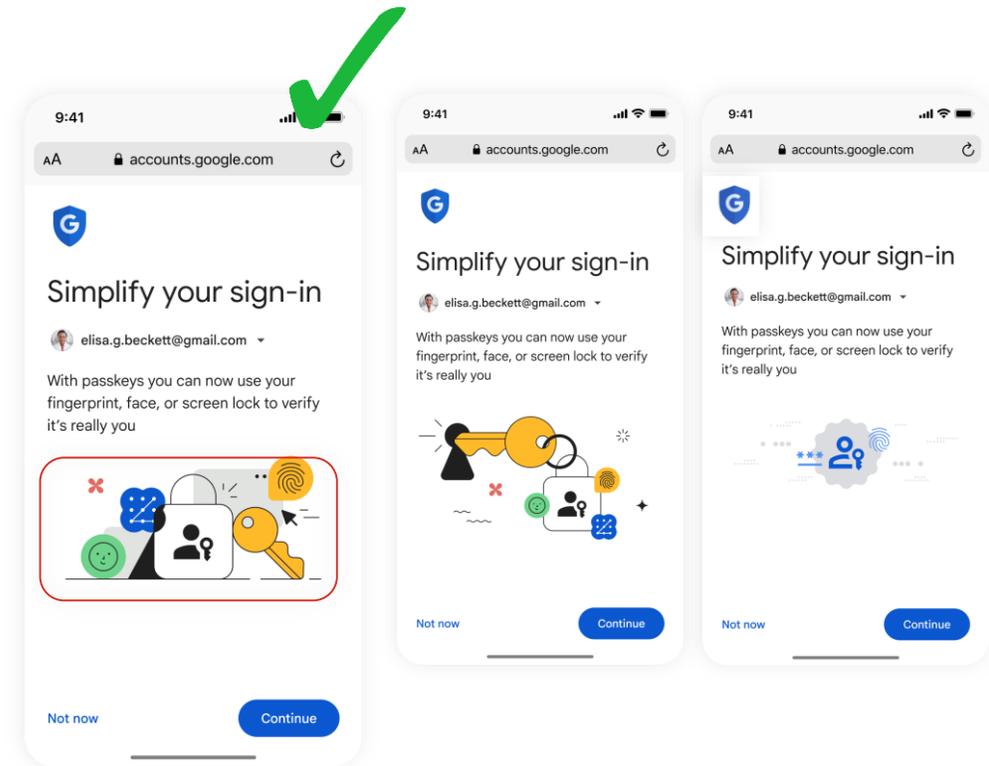
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# Making it practical



Participants confirmed preference for a simple and clear title that speaks for the simplicity of passkey.



Most participants chose the first icon variation because the images were colorful and provided specific details on how passkey could be used, such as fingerprint and face ID

# We want users to remember...

## UX

### Simplify authentication

Use screen lock to create and use passkeys and are a standalone alternative to passwords

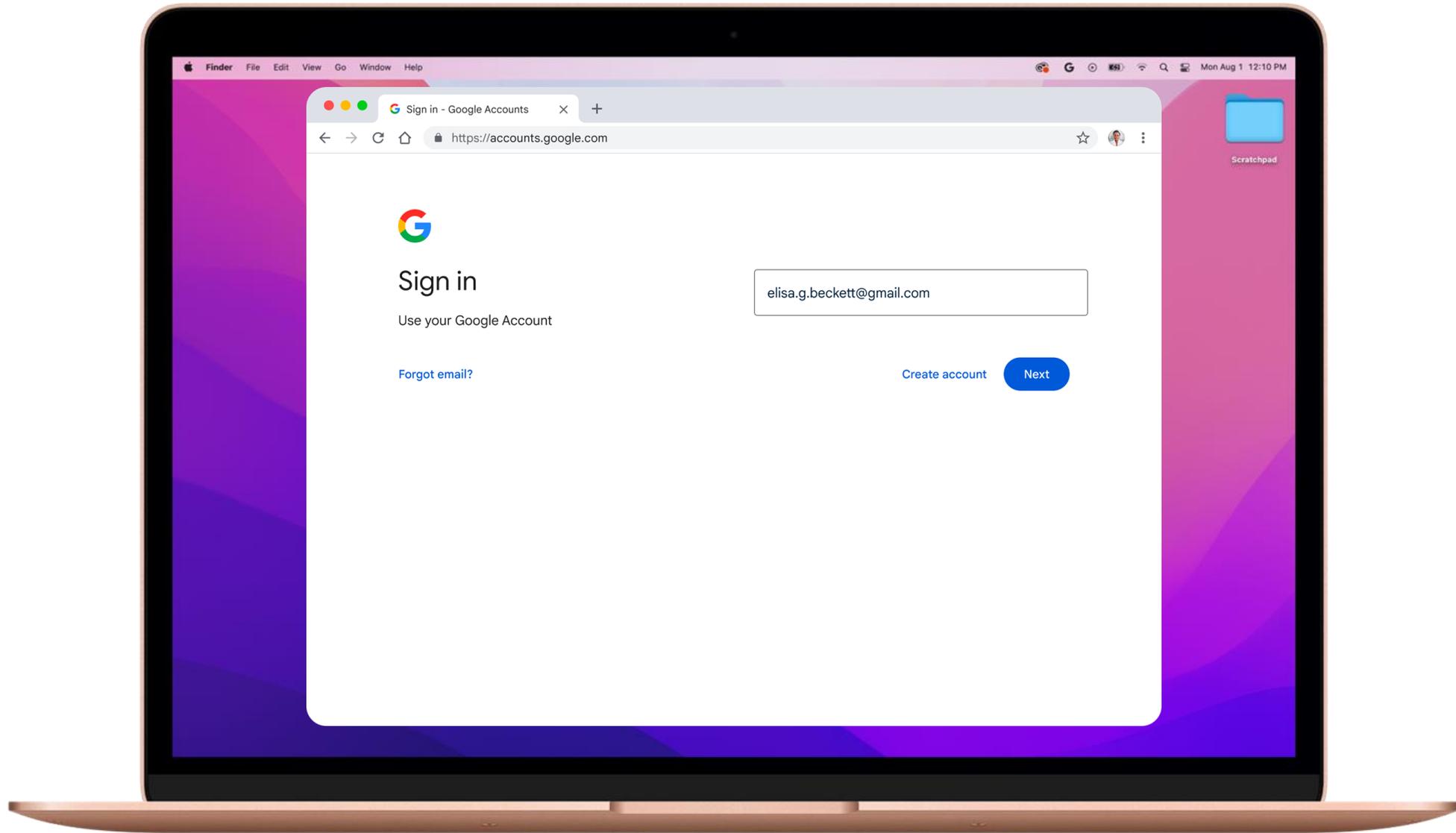


### Improve security

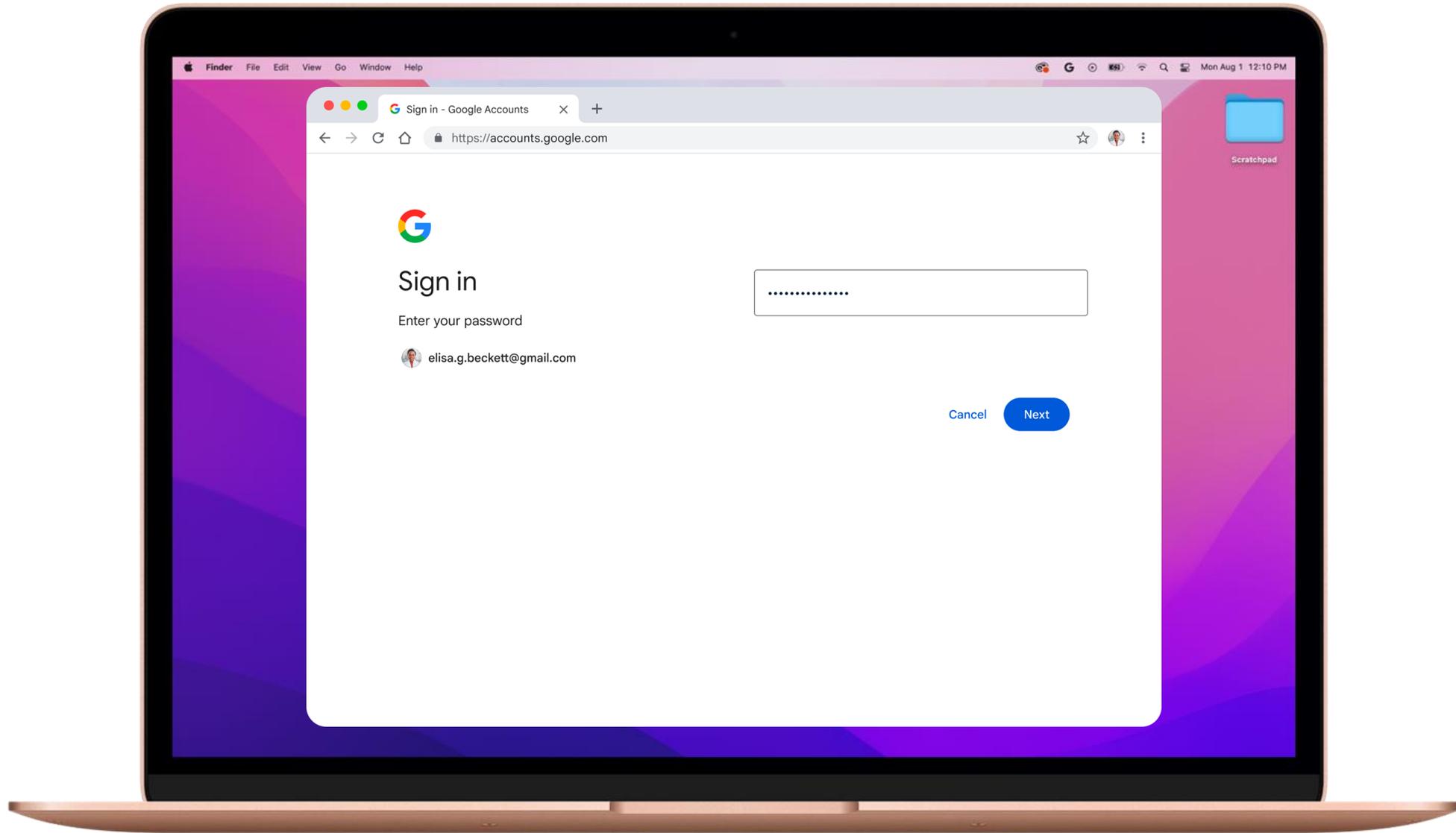
Server leak resistant, phishing resistant, and end-to-end encrypted

# Let's look at some user journeys

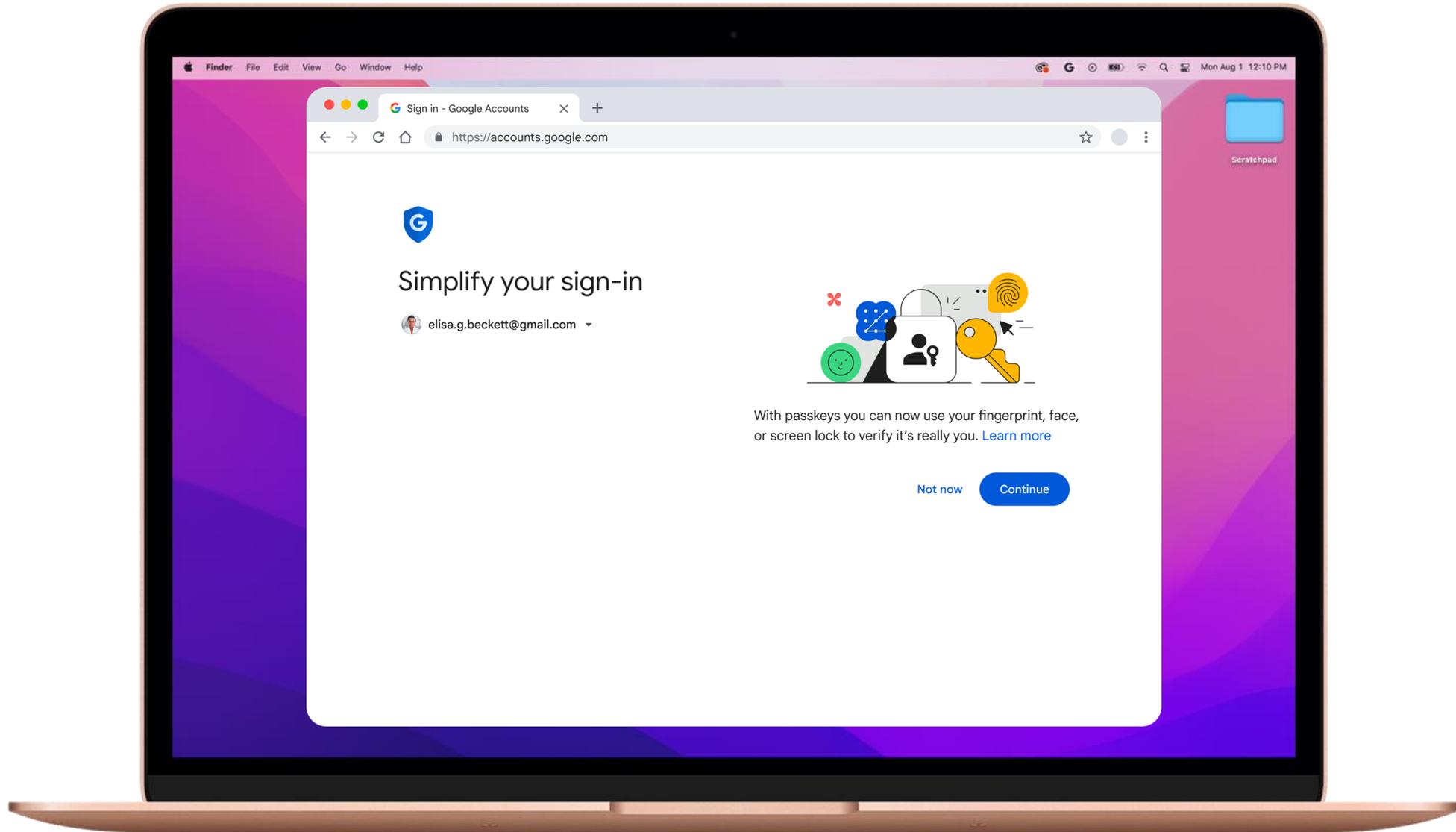
# Creating a passkey



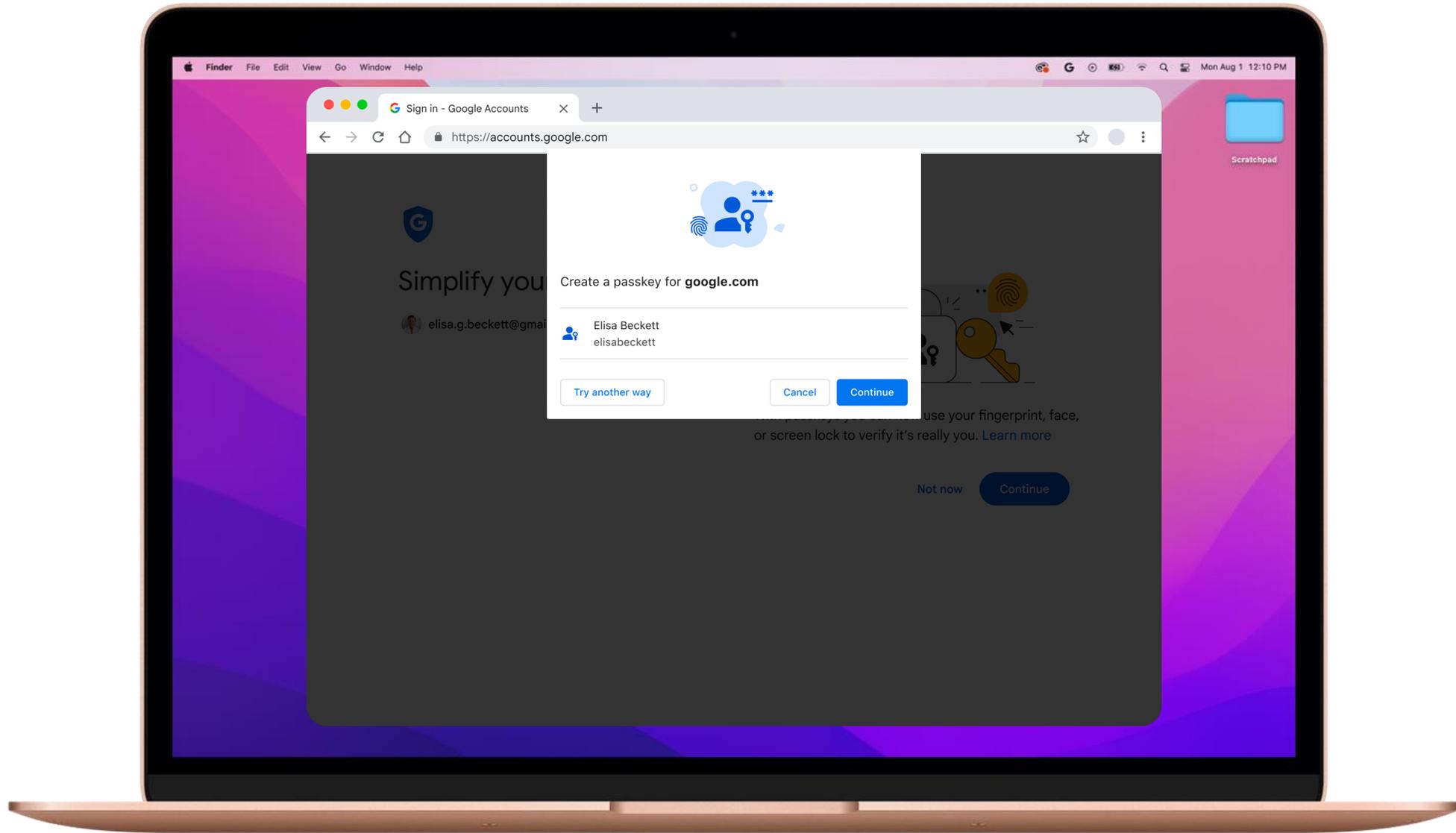
After Elisa enters her username



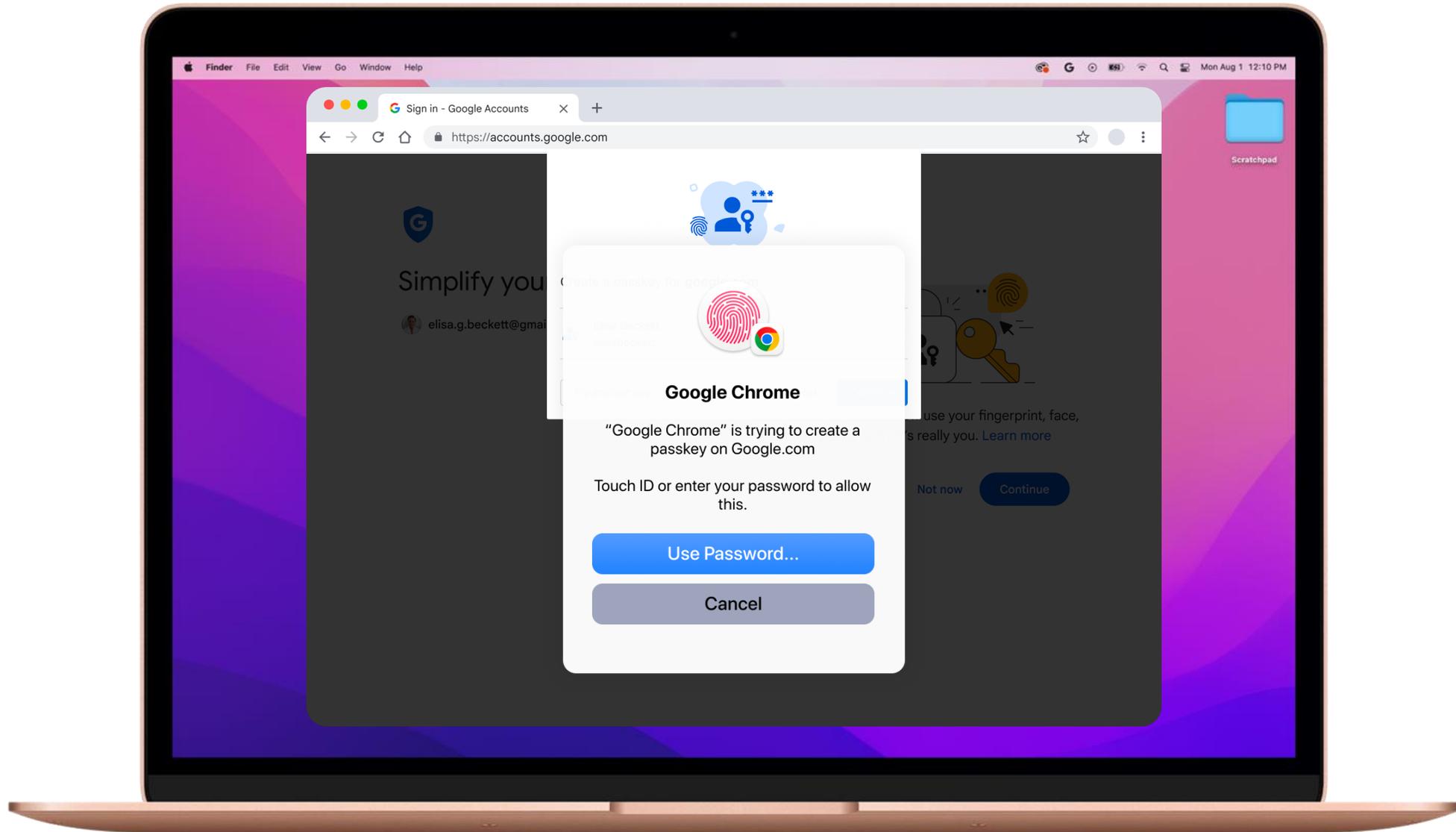
And enters her password



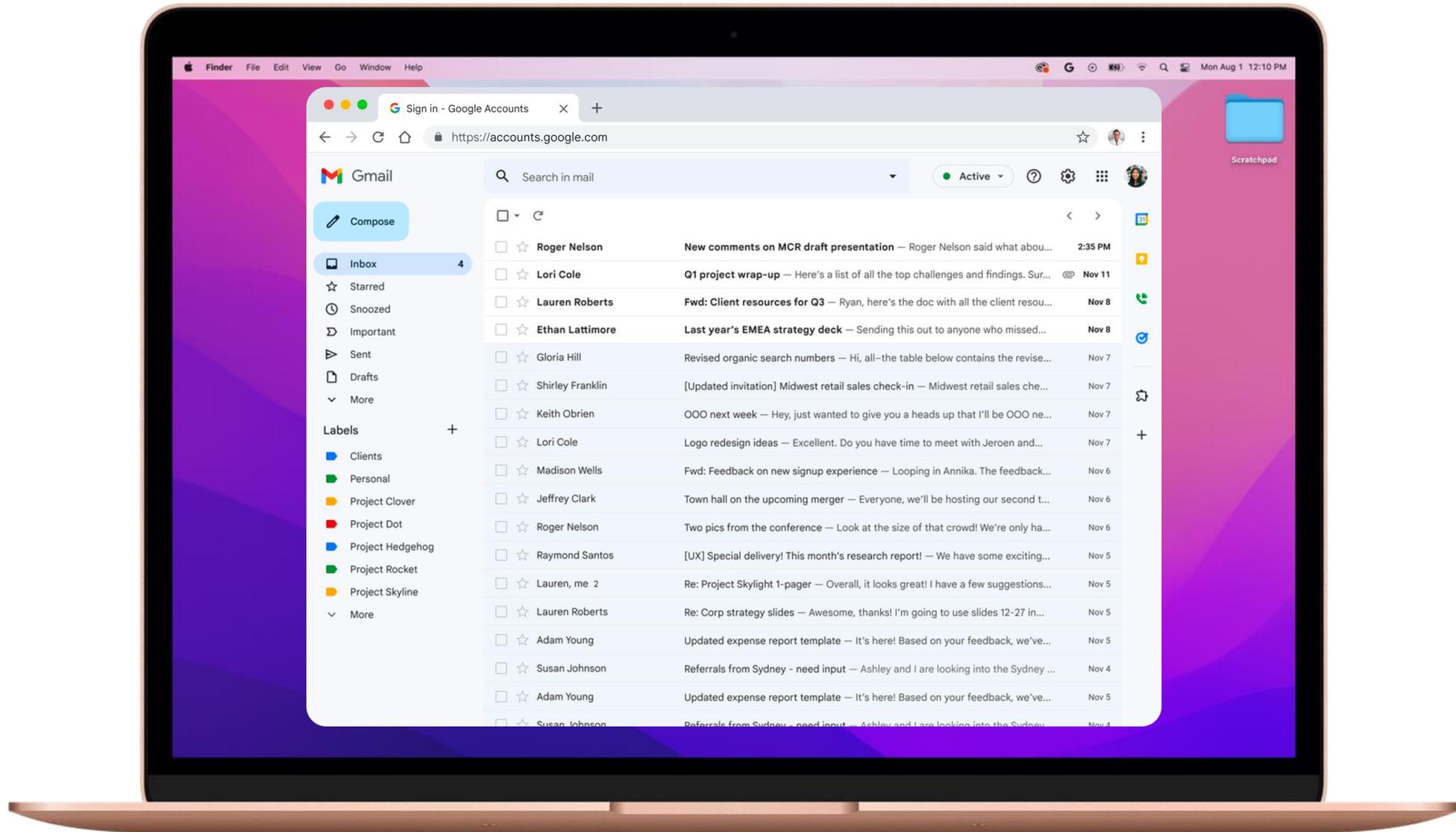
Google.com will detect that Elisa is eligible for passkeys and promote them



Chrome will show Elisa the passkey she's going to create



To confirm Elisa's new passkey, the macOS device will prompt Elisa for a biometric verification

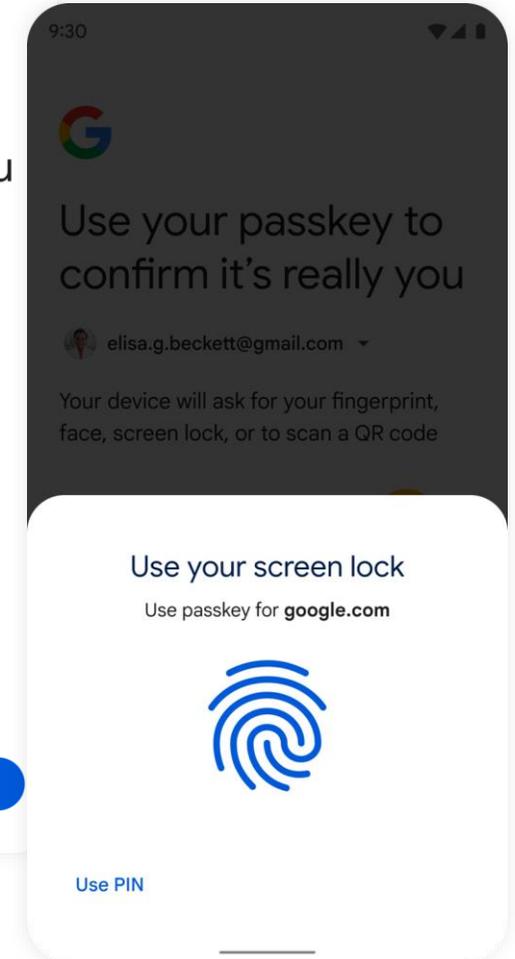
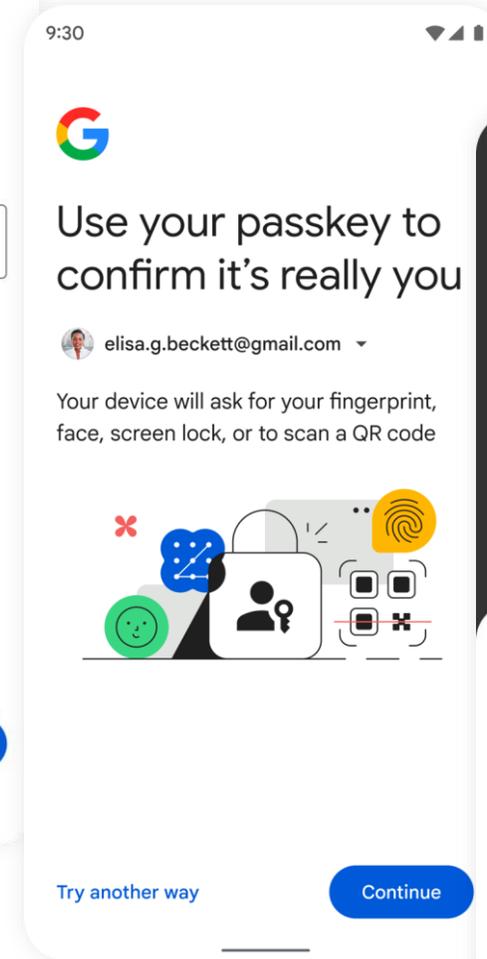
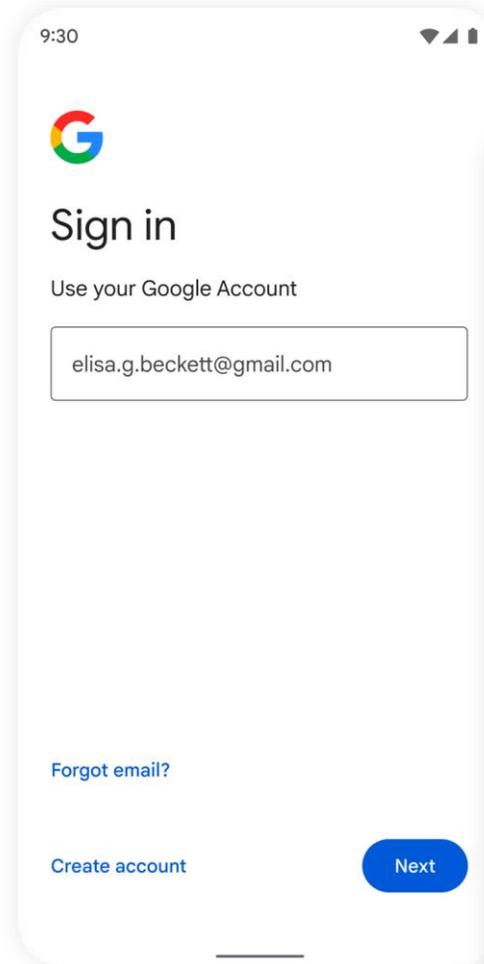


Google will create the passkey for Elisa, and she'll be signed in to her Google Account

# Signing in with a passkey

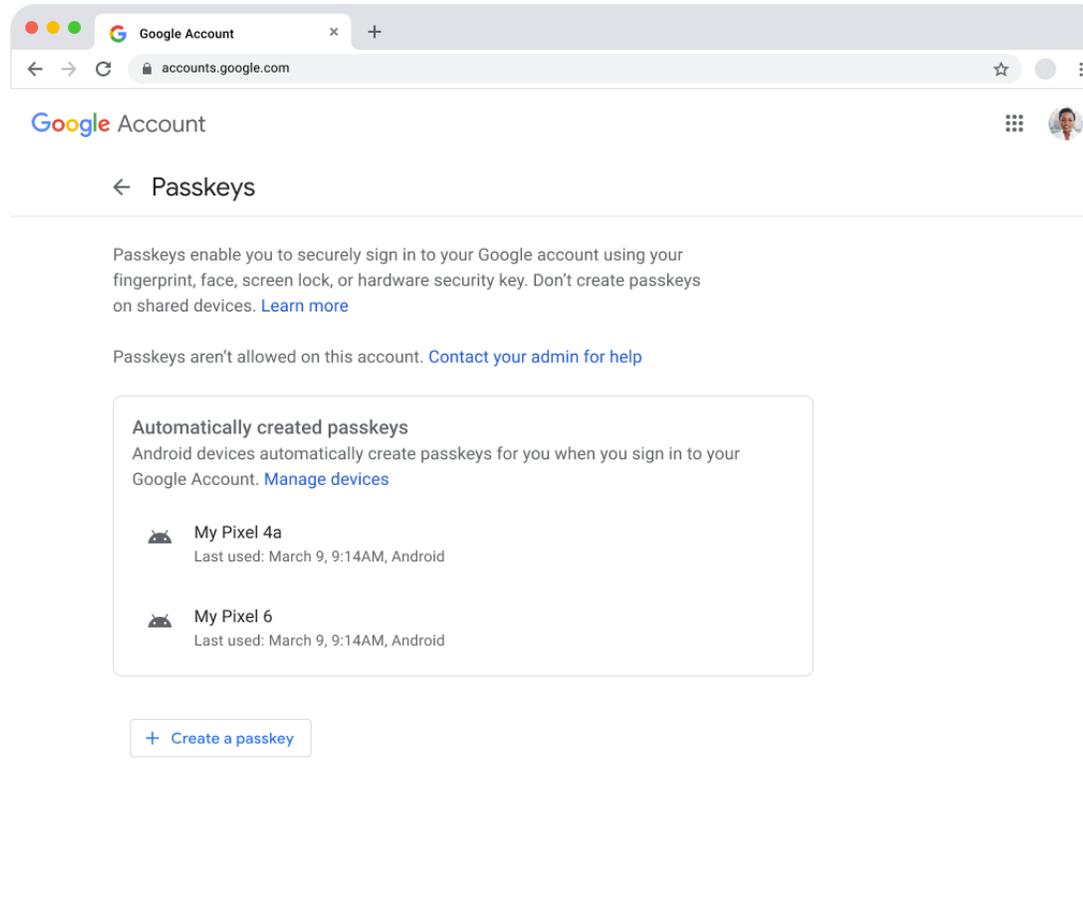


We want the passkey authentication experience to be *almost* effortless while ensuring maximum security



# Managing your passkeys

# When users go to [g.co/passkeys](https://g.co/passkeys)



But it could  
also look like  
this 😁

Google Account

← Passkeys

Passkeys enable you to securely sign in to your Google account using your fingerprint, face, screen lock, or hardware security key. Don't create passkeys on shared devices. [Learn more](#)

**Automatically created passkeys**  
Android devices automatically create passkeys for you when you sign in to your Google Account. [Manage devices](#)

- My Pixel 4a**  
Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Android
- My Pixel 6**  
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**Passkeys you created**

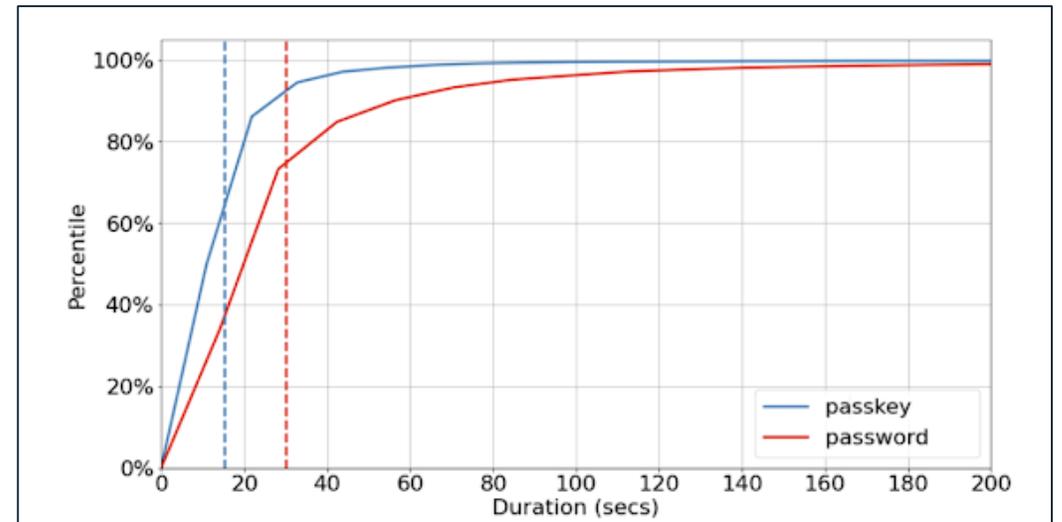
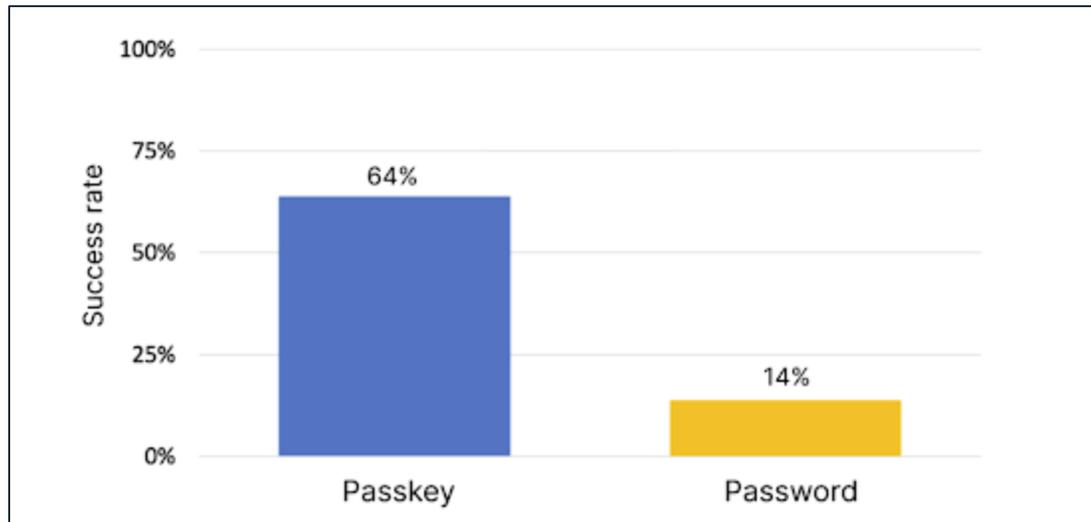
PASSKEYS	
<b>Chrome OS</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Chrome OS	✎ ✕
<b>Chrome on Mac</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Chrome on Mac	✎ ✕
<b>Google Password Manager</b> Created: Just now Last used: Not yet used	✎ ✕
<b>iCloud Keychain</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Safari on Mac	✎ ✕
<b>iCloud Keychain 2</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Chrome on Mac	✎ ✕
<b>Windows Hello</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Edge on Windows 11	✎ ✕
<b>Windows Hello 2</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Chrome on Windows 10	✎ ✕
<b>FIDO2 security key</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Chrome OS	✎ ✕
<b>FIDO2 security key 2</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Chrome OS	✎ ✕

**2-STEP VERIFICATION ONLY SECURITY KEYS**  
These keys can only be used when signing in with a password. [Learn more](#)

<b>Security key</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Pixelbook Go Backed by Titan Security	✎ ✕
<b>Security key 2</b> Created: April 5, 2022 Last used: March 9, 9:14AM, Pixelbook Go Backed by Titan Security	✎ ✕
<b>My built in iPhone security key</b> Last used: Apr 5th 2022, MacBook Pro Created: Mar 30th 2022, MacBook Pro	✎ ✕

[+ Create a passkey](#)

# So, does this stuff work?



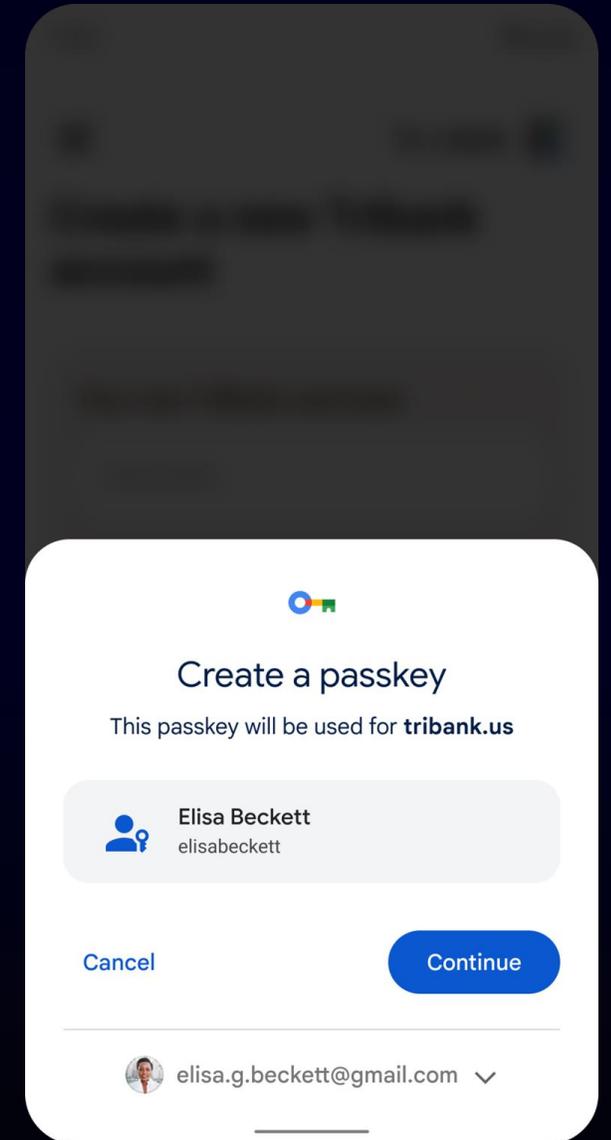
Source: <https://security.googleblog.com/2023/05/making-authentication-faster-than-ever.html>

**I'm convinced. How  
do I get started?**

# Create a passkey

```
const publicKeyCredentialCreationOptions = {
  challenge: *****,
  rp: {
    name: "Tribank",
    id: "tribank.us",
  },
  user: {
    id: *****,
    name: "elisabeckett",
    displayName: "Elisa Beckett",
  },
  pubKeyCredParams: [{alg: -7, type: "public-key"}, {alg: -257, type: "public-key"}],
  authenticatorSelection: {
    authenticatorAttachment: "platform",
    requireResidentKey: true,
  },
  timeout: 30000
};

const credential = await navigator.credentials.create({
  publicKey: publicKeyCredentialCreationOptions
});
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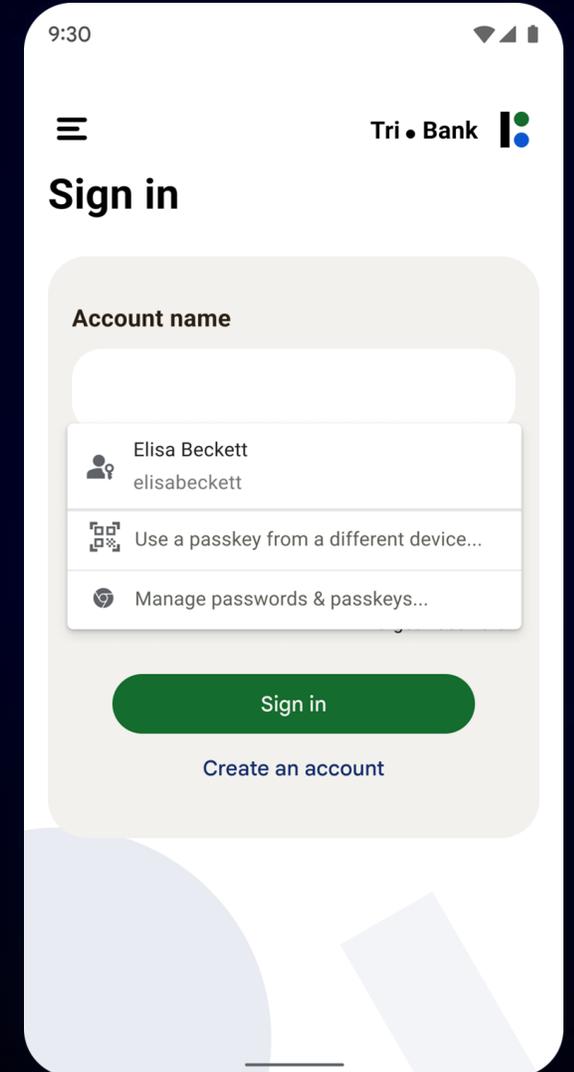


# Use a passkey

```
// Availability of `window.PublicKeyCredential` means WebAuthn is usable.
if (window.PublicKeyCredential &&
    PublicKeyCredential.isConditionalMediationAvailable) {
  // Check if conditional mediation is available.
  const isCMA = await
PublicKeyCredential.isConditionalMediationAvailable();
  if (isCMA) {
    // Call WebAuthn authentication
  }
}

const publicKeyCredentialRequestOptions = {
  // Server generated challenge
  challenge: ****,
  // The same RP ID as used during registration
  rpId: 'tribank.us',
};

const credential = await navigator.credentials.get({
  publicKey: publicKeyCredentialCreationOptions,
  signal: abortController.signal,
  // Specify 'conditional' to activate conditional UI
  mediation: 'conditional'
});
```



**Please visit [g.co/passkey](https://g.co/passkey) to  
try this out**

**THANK YOU!**