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Newbie Club Tutorials

"Kwik Desktop Shortcuts"

What a pain in the butt! You go surf to a cool site, and actually find something of value. As you get ready to spend some quality time reading, the phone rings. Or the kids bust something, the dog tears a hole in your new curtains, or your computer decides to turn a deaf, dumb and blind eye toward you and take a vacation.

Now what!!

Stuff happens. And even when everything is going smoothly, you may find there's a particular site you visit ALL the time and would like to be able to head on over with a click on your desktop icons. No problem.

With a web page open, you'll see the address bar has a URL in it. If you're using Explorer, just click on the "e" you see, hold the mouse button down (the left one) and drag the address onto the desktop. Of course you'll have to make sure you can see the desktop behind the browser, at least enough to make the drop.

To do that, reduce the size of the open page with the middle icon of the 3 in the top right of your toolbar - next to the X. When you do this, an Internet Explorer icon is created with the title of the page you've been visiting. Now that's just so convenient! Next time you want to visit your favourite and frequently favoured page, just double click that icon.

If you're a Netscape fan, drag and drop the Location icon next to the URL onto the desktop for the same effect.

Need more organization? Just make a folder for your favourites and organize that way.

Okay, Smarty pants, I hear you thinking. "Why don't you just use the Favourites item that's on the Start Menu? The last bunches of pages you

visited are always in there."

Well, that's fine. And you can. But if you visit a few sites ALL the time, the desktop is still the best place. It's visual, easy to see, and a big reminder that's always "in your face."

Incidentally, you can drag the 'e' to your bottom task bar if you prefer.

Geek-Speak Busters

1. "Applet"

Someone just asked for an explanation of this term. What it means is "little program". Not a big program, like Microsoft Word, Works, or Windows. But a little program like Notepad.

Or the sound recorder. Or any of the programs in your System Tools folder. (Start, Programs, Accessories, System Tools.)

2. "Flyout Window"

This is a silly term for a window that can fly, but only in the outward direction. No windows can fly inward. If you have a window that does, please see me in the office. I have a few questions to ask you. ;-)

Seriously, a flyout window is that list of programs all arranged on the gray or other colour background you see when you cursor over the Programs item on the Start Menu. The list "flies out" to the right. Thus, "flyout window".

3. "IP"

The term 'IP' stands for Internet Protocol - the rules for getting stuff from us to you in one piece over the Internet. You can learn a lot about domain selection and stuff at <http://newbieclub.com/domains/> We even have a fun tool called DomainTwistTM, which combines your words with the

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most popular words used on the Internet. Then, the twist shakes them up to help you find available domains. C'mon baby do the twist and have some fun!

Tutorial ... "How To Change Your Icons"

Don't like the looks of the standard icons on your system? Want to see if there's something else available?

Here's how to proceed.

Locate an icon for a program you've installed. This icon should be a shortcut icon with the little curved arrow in the lower left corner of the icon.

RIGHT click the icon. Then select Properties by clicking with your mouse pointer.

In the Properties window that appears, if you see a tab with the word 'Shortcut' on it, click. You'll see button toward the bottom that says 'Change Icon'. Click that button.

The 'Change Icon' window appears. Select a new icon. Or browse for a whole different set of icons by clicking the 'Browse' button.

Once you've chosen the new icon, click OK. Then click OK again to close the Properties window. Or you can Apply your changes by clicking 'Apply' then clicking OK. Either way, the new icon will then appear in place of the old one.

It may take a moment to appear on your screen, depending on the time it takes for your system to know the new icon needs to be displayed.

Some icons can be changed using this method, and some cannot. If you click 'Properties' after RIGHT clicking an icon, and don't see the 'Change

Icon" button on the Shortcut tab... then you'll have to use the Registry to change the icon. But that's another task entirely.

Ron's Ramblings

I have moved my column from Page 2 to allow the details of both Committees to be displayed.

The LCG Web site www.lcg.org.au has been revamped. Have a look and let Tom Olsen know what a good job he is doing.

The OPEN part of the site is still under construction but the opening page and the Newstream Pages are up and running.

You will notice that only this years Newstream editions are shown while previous years are only a mouse click away

We are also in the process of changing the way Newstream and other items that we wish to promulgate to members are sent out.

At the moment I have approximately 150 odd email addresses in a group called "Announce 2008" which I use to send out the Newstream.

However when new members come or people change their email addresses there is a delay in getting the information to me and there are a number of addresses which at the moment are wrong or which "Bounce" for one reason other.

What we hope to put into operation is that I will send out the email to say "Announce@ lcg.org.au" and that will be sent to all members. This will allow changes to be made through the club at membership time and on notification of a change in address.

In the meantime Editorial and other information can be addressed to editor@lcg.org.au and it will end up in my mail box.

Ron Baker

LIVING THE APPLE WAY

Hello All,

In this column this month I'll be talking about two major Apple events which are coming to Australia soon. The first one is the long awaited iPhone 3G, which will be released in Australia on the 11th of July. The second is the grand opening of the Apple Store in Sydney on the 18th of July.

To my knowledge the iPhone 3G will be hosted on the Optus network and will cost around \$199 to purchase outright, which is a couple hundred \$\$\$ less than the U.S. who are currently still paying about \$700. At present, I am unaware if it can be unlocked from the Optus network, but I'll look into this for you.

As well as these two fantastic new releases, Apple has started shipping two other significant products in the month of May. First is the revamped "iPod touch," which Apple has now added the famous "Safari" internet browser and its popular "Mail" email client to the iPod's wonderful Wi-Fi networking capabilities (see *attached*). Second is the new "MacBook Air"! This is the thinnest notebook computer ever known to human kind; it is so thin that it fits an A4 size envelope. AMAZING!

The only problem with the MacBook Air is that it doesn't have a built-in Optical Drive or Ethernet port, and that it also only has one USB 2.0 port. Apple has solved this problem by adding a lot of wireless capabilities to the MacBook Air, which allows you to wireless connect to another computers Optical Drive to install software on the MacBook Air, or for an extra \$100 odd you can buy an Apple External Optical Drive, especially designed for the MacBook Air, this optical drive is both CD/DVD compatible. *For more details on the MacBook Air see next page.*

Now it's that part of my column for some general business. For those members who are regular Mac users at OPEN will notice our new toy... A fantastic "2008 edition iMac"... For a small compact, 24" computer it packs a lot of power. You may also notice that the operating system is the fantastic new version of Mac OS X, which is known as 10.5 "Leopard". If you haven't experienced "Leopard" yet, I would encourage anyone to try it, even Windows users. This operating system is a step into the future of computing and after trying it you may not want to look back at your current operating system. A couple of my friends tried it out on my iMac (both of them being Windows Vista users) and they loved it and have not looked back at Windows Vista since using "Leopard". Currently they now both own a 13" white MacBook running "Leopard". It is purely amazing, how a Mac can blow people away... (They don't even use Windows at school anymore either)...

Til next time.

Joel Harbottle

Tech Support/Mac Librarian/LCG Secretary

iPod touch Technical Specifications

Storage/Capacity	8GB (1,750 songs) 16GB (3,500 songs) 32GB (7,000 songs)
Colours	Black only
Battery Life	Up to 22 hours of music playback; up to 5 hours of video playback.
Display	3.5-inch (diagonal) widescreen Multi-Touch display
Ports	Dock connector, stereo minijack
Connectivity	USB through dock connector; component and composite video through dock connector (with AV cables, sold separately); audio through headphone jack
Wireless Data	Wi-Fi (802.11b/g)
Charge Time	About 3 hours (1.5-hour fast charge to 80% capacity)
Audio Support	AAC (16 to 320Kbps), Protected AAC (from iTunes Store), MP3 (16 to 320Kbps), MP3 VBR, Audible (formats 2, 3, and 4), Apple Lossless, WAV and AIFF.
Photo Support	Syncs iPod-viewable photos in JPEG, BMG, GIF, TIFF, PSD (Mac only), and PNG formats
Video Support	H.264 video, up to 1.5 Mbps, 640 by 480 pixels, 30 frames per second, Low-Complexity version of the H.264 Baseline Profile with AAC-LC audio up to 160 Kbps, 48kHz, stereo audio in .m4v, .mp4, and .mov file formats; H.264 video, up to 2.5 Mbps, 640 by 480 pixels, 30 frames per second, Baseline Profile up to Level 3.0 with AAC-LC audio up to 160 Kbps, 48kHz, stereo audio in .m4v, .mp4, and .mov file formats; MPEG-4 video, up to 2.5 Mbps, 640 by 480 pixels, 30 frames per second, Simple Profile with AAC-LC audio up to 160 Kbps, 48kHz, stereo audio in .m4v, .mp4, and .mov file formats
Size	110 x 61.8 x 8 mm (4.3 x 2.4 x 0.31 inches)
Weight	120 grams (5.7 ounces)
Included Accessories	Earphones, USB cable, dock adapter, polishing cloth, stand

Technical Specifications	Height: 0.4 – 1.94 cm Width: 32.4 cm Depth: 22.7 cm Weight: 1.36 kg
Display	13.3-inch (diagonal) glossy widescreen TFT LED backlit display with support for millions of colours Supported resolutions: 1280 by 800 (native), 1152 by 720, 1024 by 768, 800 by 600, 800 by 500, 720 by 480 and 640 by 480 pixels at 16:10 aspect ratio; 1024 by 768, 800 by 600 and 640 by 480 pixels at 4:3 aspect ratio;
Wireless	Built-in AirPort Extreme Wi-Fi wireless networking (based on IEEE 802.11n draft specification); IEEE 802.11a/b/g compatible Built-in Bluetooth 2.1 + EDR (Enhanced Data Rate)
Processor and memory	Intel Core 2 Duo processor with 3MB on-chip shared L2 cache running at full process speed 800MHz frontside bus 2GB of 667MHz DDR2 SDRAM onboard Standard: 1.6GHz Optional: 1.8GHz
Storage	80GB 4200-rpm Parallel ATA hard disk drive. Optional 64GB solid-state drive Optional external USB MacBook Air SuperDrive
Graphics and Video Support	Pure digital video output <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DVI output using micro-DVI to DVI adapter (included) • VGA output using micro-DVI to VGA adapter (included) • Composite output using micro-DVI to video adapter (optional) S-video output using micro-DVI to video adapter (optional) Intel GMA X3100 graphics processor with 144MB of DDR2 SDRAM shared with main memory. Extended desktop and video mirroring: Simultaneously supports full native resolution on the built-in display and up to 1920 x 1200 pixels on an external display, both at millions of colours. Built-in iSight camera
Battery and Power	Integrated 37-watt-hour lithium-polymer batter 45W MagSafe power adapter with cable management system
Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Built-in full-size keyboard with 78 (U.S) or 79 ISO keys, including 12 function keys, 4 arrow keys and embedded numeric keypad • Backlit keyboard with ambient light sensor for automatic adjustment of keyboard illumination and screen brightness • Solid-state trackpad with multi-touch gesture support for precise cursor control; supports two-finger scrolling, pinch, rotate, swipe, tap, double-tap, and drag capabilities.

OLDER THAN DIRT

"Hey Dad," one of my kids asked the other day, "What was your favourite fast food when you were growing up?"

"We didn't have fast food when I was growing up," I informed him. "All the food was slow." "C'mon, seriously. Where did you eat?" "It was a place called 'at home,'" I explained. "Grandma cooked every day and when Grandpa got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, and if I didn't like what she put on my plate I was allowed to sit there until I did like it." By this time, the kid was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table. But here are some other things I would have told him about my childhood if I figured his system could have handled it: Some parents NEVER owned their own house, wore Levis, set foot on a golf course, travelled out of the country or had a credit card. In their later years they had something called a store card. The card was good only at Farmers (now Myers). My parents never drove me to soccer practice. This was mostly because we never had heard of soccer. I had a bicycle that weighed probably 50 pounds, and only had one speed, (slow). We didn't have a television in our house until I was 11, but my grandparents had one before that. It was, of course, black and white, but they bought a piece of collared plastic to cover the screen. The top third was blue, like the sky, and the bottom third was green, like grass. The middle third was red. It was perfect for programs

that had scenes of fire trucks riding across someone's lawn on a sunny day. Some people had a lens taped to the front of the TV to make the picture look larger. I was 13 before I tasted my first pizza, it was called "pizza pie." When I bit into it, I burned the roof of my mouth and the cheese slid off, swung down, plastered itself against my chin and burned that, too. It's still the best pizza I ever had. We didn't have a car until I was 15. Before that, the only car in our family was my grandfather's Ford. He called it a "machine." I never had a telephone in my room. The only phone in the house was in the living room and it was on a party line. Before you could dial, you had to listen and make sure some people you didn't know weren't already using the line. Pizzas were not delivered to our home. But milk was. All newspapers were delivered by boys and all boys delivered newspapers. I delivered a newspaper, six days a week. It cost 7 cents a paper, of which I got to keep 2 cents. I had to get up at 4 AM every morning. On Saturday, I had to collect the 42 cents from my customers. My favourite customers were the ones who gave me 50 cents and told me to keep the change. My least favourite customers were the ones who seemed to never be home on collection day. Movie stars kissed with their mouths shut. At least, they did in the movies. Touching someone else's tongue with yours was called French kissing and they didn't do that in movies. I don't know what they did in French movies. French movies were dirty and we weren't allowed to see them. If you grew up in a generation before there was fast food, you

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may want to share some of these memories with your children or grandchildren. Just don't blame me if they bust a gut laughing. Growing up isn't what it used to be, is it? MEMORIES from a friend: My Dad is cleaning out my grandmother's house (she died in December) and he brought me an old tomato sauce bottle. In the bottle top was a stopper with a bunch of holes in it. I knew immediately what it was, but my daughter had no idea. She thought they had tried to make it a salt shaker or something. I knew it as the bottle that sat on the end of the ironing board to "sprinkle" clothes with because we didn't have steam irons. Man, I am old. Older Than Dirt Quiz: How many do **you remember? Count all the ones that you remember not the ones you were told about . Ratings at the bottom.**

1. Cho Cho bar
2. Drive ins
3. Candy cigarettes
4. Soft drink machines that dispensed glass bottles
5. Coffee shops or milk bars with tableside juke boxes
6. Home milk delivery in glass bottles with foil Stoppers
7. Party lines
8. Newsreels before the movie

9. Packards
10. Blue flashbulb
11. Telephone numbers with 2 letters and 4 numbers
12. Peashooters
13. Wash tub wringer
14. 78 RPM records
15. Metal ice trays with lever
16. Studebakers
17. Cracker night
18. Using hand signals for cars without turn signals
19. Bread delivered by horse and cart
20. Head lights dimmer switches on the floor
21. Ignition switches on the dashboard
22. Heaters mounted on the inside of the wall
23. Real ice boxes
24. Pant leg clips for bicycles without chain guards
25. Soldering irons you heat on a gas burner

Save time by creating folders in bunches

By Scott Dunn

Simplify file management by generating new folders from your right-click menu that automatically **have the current date in the folder name.**

Run a four-line batch file from your context menu that creates whole hierarchies of folders that you name from the Command Prompt.

Name folders based on their creation date It's often useful to sort files into folders based on when the files were created. This is especially handy for storing digital photos. Of course, you can simply create a folder and name it manually. But it's much faster to add the date to the folder name automatically.

Date-based folders are more useful if their names are automatically sorted in chronological order. They won't sort chronologically if you use a date format such as "June 30, 2008."

But you can sort folders by date if you use the year-month-day format (for example, "2008-06-30"). This way, your folders will be listed in date order automatically when you sort them by name.

Start by choosing Windows' short-date format:

Step 1. Press the Windows key (Win) plus the letter R to open the Run dialog box. Type control intl.cpl and press Enter.

Step 2. In the Regional and Language Options Control Panel, click Customize (in XP) or Customize this format (in Vista).

Step 3. In the Customize Regional Options dialog box, click the Date tab.

Step 4. For Short date, choose yyyy-MM-dd from the drop-down list. Click OK twice.

Now add a command to your folders' context (or right-click) menu that names new folders based on this format.

In Windows XP, this can be done via Windows Explorer dialog boxes. Unfortunately, doing so triggers a Windows bug that can be fixed only by editing the Registry.

In Vista, you have to edit the Registry from the start, so it's best to use the Registry Editor to make the change in both Vista and XP.

Careless Registry changes can cause Windows to misbehave, so create a restore point before you begin. That way you can revert to the pre-modification Registry in case something goes wrong.

In XP, follow these steps to create a restore point:

Step 1. Choose Start, All Programs, Accessories, System Tools, System Restore.

Step 2. Select Create a restore point, click Next, and follow the instructions in the wizard to complete the process.

Follow these steps to create a restore point in Vista:

Step 1. Click Start, type SystemPropertiesProtection, and press Enter. Click Continue if prompted by User Account Control (UAC).

Step 2. Click Create. Type a name for your restore point, and press Enter. Click OK to acknowledge the completion of the process and OK again to close System Properties.

Now you're ready to add a new command to Explorer's context menu for folders:

Step 1. Press Win+R to open the Run dialog box. Type regedit and press Enter.

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Step 2. In the tree pane on the left, navigate to and select:

HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\Directory\shell **Step 3. (Optional) The next tip I describe entails returning to this location**, so you may want to choose Favorites, then Add to Favorites; type a descriptive name; and press Enter to facilitate reopening the key.

Step 4. In the tree pane, right-click the shell icon and choose New, Key. Type a name, such as Date_Folder, and press Enter.

Step 5. With Date_Folder (or whatever you named the key) selected in the tree

Step 6. In the Value Data box, type the command as you want it to appear on your context menu. For example, you might type "New folder with today's date" (without the quotation marks). Click OK.

Step 7. Right-click the Date_Folder key in the tree pane and choose New, Key. Name it command and press Enter.

Step 8. With the command icon selected in the tree pane, double-click the (Default) icon in the right pane.

Step 9. In the Value data box, type:

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cmd.exe /c md "%1\%%DATE%%"
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(including the quotation marks) and click OK. Exit the Registry Editor.

Now when you right-click a folder icon in Explorer or on the desktop, you'll see your new command. When you choose it, a Command Prompt window may briefly flash on screen.

The command creates a new folder inside the selected one, so you may find it easier to use on folders in the tree pane. If you don't see the new folder,

press F5 to refresh the Explorer window.

Once the folder contains a folder named for the current date, the command can't create another folder with the same name. So once you invoke it, subsequent use of this command on the same folder will have no effect until the next day.

Mass-produce new folders via a batch file By default, the only ways to create a folder in Explorer are to click File, New, Folder or to right-click in the right pane and choose New, Folder. If you need to make more than a few new folders at one time, this gets old very quickly.

Save time and trouble by adding a command to your folder context menu that lets you create all the new folders you wish — including a hierarchy of subfolders — almost as fast as you can type.

Start by creating a batch file that will generate new subfolders within any folder you right-click:

Step 1. Press Win+R to open the Run dialog box. Type notepad and press Enter.

Step 2. In Notepad, type the following four lines exactly:

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@echo off set /p name="Type one or more folder names: "
```

```
cd %1 md %name%
```

The first line hides the code from the Command Prompt window.

The second line prompts you to enter the folder names and then stores the names in a variable called Name.

Be sure to place one or more spaces before the closing quotation mark in line 2. That way, the names you type won't run up against the prompt in the Command Prompt window.

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The other commands in the batch file switch the current folder to the one you right-clicked and create folders based on what you type at the prompt.

Step 3. Save the file to a location of your choice, for example C:\batch. Name the file something like manyfolders.cmd and then exit Notepad.

Next, add a command to launch the batch file from your folders' context menu. As in the context-menu customization I described above, this change requires some Registry editing:

Step 1. Set a restore point as explained above.

Step 2. Press Win+R to open the Run dialog box. Type regedit and press Enter.

Step 3. In the tree pane on the left, navigate to and select:

HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\Directory\shell (If you saved this key to your Favorites menu as part of the tip above, choose the entry there to open the key in a flash.)

Step 4. In the tree pane, right-click the shell icon and choose New, Key. Type a name such as Make_Folders and press Enter.

Step 5. With Make_Folders (or whatever you named it) selected in the tree pane, double-click the (Default) icon in the right pane.

Step 6. In the Value Data box, type the command as you want it to appear on your context menu. For example, you might type Make one or more folders. Click OK.

Step 7. Right-click the Make_Folders key in the tree pane and choose New, Key. Name the new key command and press Enter.

Step 8. With the command icon selected in the tree pane, double-click the (Default) icon in the right pane.

Step 9. In the Value data box, type:

"c:\batch\manyfolders.cmd" "%1"

(with the quotation marks) and click OK. Naturally, your path and batch file name may differ. Exit the Registry Editor.

Now when you want to make one or several new folders within another folder, right-click that folder and choose your new command. A Command Prompt window appears telling you to type the name(s) of your folder(s). Type the name of each folder you want to create at that location, separated by a space.

If you want a folder name to include spaces, put that name within quotation marks. To create folders within folders, use the \ symbol. When you're done, press Enter.

For example, if you type:

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri you create those five folders within the current folder. **Typing:**

Mon\draft Mon\final Tue\draft Tue\final Wed\draft Wed\final Thu\draft Thu\final Fri\draft Fri\final creates five folders, each of which has two subfolders named "draft" and "final."

If you don't see your new folders, press F5 to refresh Explorer.

Note that you can use this command to create a single folder as well.

Bonus tip: Looking for a fast way to add a single subfolder without taking your hands off the keyboard? Select the parent folder in Explorer, press Alt+F, Enter, Enter. Type the new name and press Enter

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again.

Note that this technique doesn't work if you have an object selected in the right pane. To fix that, press Ctrl+Spacebar to deselect it before using the aforementioned key sequence.

Troubleshoot a balky folder-creation shortcut If your new folder-generating commands don't work as expected, double-check your settings in the Regional and Language Options Control Panel and the text in your manyfolders.cmd batch file.

You may also need to reopen the Registry Editor and double-check the names and values of the keys you just added. Double-click the (Default) icon of any key whose commands you need to edit, make the required changes, and click OK.

If the batch file still refuses to run and you decide to remove the commands from the context menu, navigate to and select:

HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\Directory\shell in the Registry Editor, right-click the Date_Folder or Many_Folders key in the Registry Editor's tree pane, and choose Delete. Click Yes to confirm.

If the file causes other problems, choose Start, All Programs, Accessories, System Tools, System Restore. Select the restore point you created before starting the process to return your computer to its previous state *From Windows Secrets 26th June 2008*

More Newbie Club Tutorials

Tutorial ... "The Different Types Of Email"

Email comes in many different formats ...

-----Plain text newsletter Refers to emails in ASCII format. Plain text does not include text formatting code. In other words, it's an 'ordinary' plain newsletter or email! Just like this one.

----- HTML newsletter.

A newsletter sent in Hyper Text Markup Language. This differs from a plain text newsletter because it allows list owners to send media-rich publications that can include graphics along with text.

Text newsletters consist of ASCII characters only. Since some subscribers' email clients cannot view HTML or subscribers prefer not to receive it, an HTML newsletter is generally offered as an option in addition to a standard text newsletter.

----- ASCII An acronym for "American Standard Code for Information Interchange", used to assign English characters to numbers.

Yeah right! See above.

----- Rich media ...

Is text content used in sending certain types of email. It also includes commands for page layout, graphics, audio, video and animation.

Rich media requires more bandwidth and storage space than ordinary text.

Are you more enlightened - or even more confused?

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... "Internet Explorer Tips"

When you're visiting a Web page ...

1. Click a Link.

Hypertext links are usually underlined or coloured differently to non-hyper linked text. When clicked, a new page loads into the browser.

You can see the page you'll be visiting if you hover the mouse pointer over the link, and look at the status bar (the lower edge) of your browser window. The URL appears there.

2. Click an Image.

Many images on a web page are linked to other pages. This is called an image map.

3. Open a Link in Another Window.

You don't have to let your browser do your thinking for you! If you don't want to leave the page you're on, just RIGHT click the link you're interested in, and click Open in New Window. Another browser instance opens and the page displays. Magic!

4. Even More Magical.

Hold down your keyboard shift key while clicking on a link. A new browser window opens with the page displayed.

----- Stop Wasting Ink

When you print out a Web page, you can use a lot of ink printing all those full colour images.

But sometimes you only need the text and not the glorious Technicolor page.

The same goes when printing a page from an ebook. (Unless the printing function is disabled by the ebook publisher).

Here's how to save precious ink ...

1. Open Internet Explorer

2. Left click Tools and a drop down menu appears.

3. Click on 'Internet Options' and a box pops up.

3. Click the 'Advanced' tab

4. Scroll down to the 'Printing' option and UNCHECK the 'Print Background Colours and Images' box.

5. Click OK Done!

While you're in there, see if there are any other options you want to activate or de-activate using the same procedure.

More Internet.Explorer Tips"

These tips apply to Internet Explorer.

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Hypertext links are usually underlined or coloured differently to non-hyper linked text. When clicked, a new page loads into the browser.

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The bag of tricks is bottomless:-)

"Outlook Express Tips"

In your Outlook Express Folders panel ...

----- Outbox Folder This is where your 'sent' emails are held awaiting delivery.

Open this to see if any emails you thought you had sent are still in there. If there's something in there after a while, double click on it to open it and read it.

If it's 'stuck' you may have made a mistake somewhere. Check the 'To' box and see if it's a valid email address - especially if you have pasted it in.

For example it may read `mailto@joesemail.com`

`<mailto:mailto@joesemail.com>`

----- Sent Folder To check over an email you have sent previously, open the folder and scan down. Click on an email to open it.

To delete a sent email RIGHT click on it and click Delete.

To delete ALL sent emails, click on Sent folder and click on Edit in top toolbar Select All Delete.

They're not permanently deleted of course, because they've been sent to your Deleted Items folder.

----- Deleted Items Folder To empty your deleted Items folder automatically when you close Outlook Express ...

Click Tools Options Maintenance Tab Select "Empty Messages from the Deleted Items Folder on Exit"

Click OK.

Done.

Kids Are Quick

TEACHER: Maria, go to the map and find North America.

MARIA: Here it is.

TEACHER: Correct. Now class, who discovered America?

CLASS: Maria.

TEACHER: John, why are you doing your math multiplication on the floor?

JOHN: You told me to do it without using tables.

TEACHER: Glenn, how do you spell 'crocodile?'

GLENN: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L' TEACHER: No, that's wrong

GLENN: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.

TEACHER: Donald, what is the chemical formula for water?

DONALD: H I J K L M N O.

TEACHER: What are you talking about?

DONALD: Yesterday you said it's H to O.

TEACHER: Winnie, name one important thing we have today that we didn't have ten years ago.

WINNIE: Me!

TEACHER: Glen, why do you always get so dirty?

GLEN: Well, I'm a lot closer to the ground than you are.

TEACHER: Millie, give me a sentence starting with 'I.'

MILLIE: I is..

TEACHER: No, Millie..... Always say, 'I am.'

MILLIE: All right... 'I am the ninth letter of the alphabet.'

TEACHER: George Washington not only chopped down his father's cherry tree, but also admitted it.

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Now, Louie, do you know why his father didn't punish him?

LOUIS: Because George still had the axe in his hand.

TEACHER: Now, Simon, tell me frankly, do you say prayers before eating?

SIMON: No sir, I don't have to, my Mom is a good cook.

TEACHER: Clyde, your composition on 'My Dog' is exactly the same as your brother's. Did you copy his?

CLYDE: No, sir. It's the same dog.

TEACHER: Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?

HAROLD: A teach

This poem was printed in "50 Something Extra" the quarterly magazine for the National Seniors Australia Tasmanian & Victorian Branches. I thought it should be read by members of every club in Australia.

What Kind of Member Are You?

Are you an active member, the kind who would be missed,

Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the flock,

Or do you stay away and criticise and knock?

Do you take an active part to help the work along,

Or are you just satisfied to be the kind who just belong?

Do you ever work on committees to see there is no trick,

Or leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?

Come to meetings often, help with hand and heart,

Don't be a sitting member, take an active part.

Come and think it over and when you come along

Think, am I an active member, or do I just belong