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Weekly Schedule for Computer Courses

Mondays 9.30am to 11am Beginners & Do your own thing. Tutor: Zillah Warner 11.00 am to 12.30 pm Graphics. Tutor: Zillah Warner	Tuesdays 9.30am to 11am Beginners & Do your own thing Tutor Bert Foster
Wednesdays 9.30am to 11am Using the Software Tutor Tom Lehane	Thursdays: 9.30am to 11am Card Making, Beginners and Do your own thing. Tutors Pat Mitchell , Clare Dixon & Zillah Warner
Fridays: 9.30am to 11am Memories to TV. Tutors John Windle, Norm Cobban: Beginners & Do your own thing. Tutor Alan Lees	Using Microsoft Office suite Fridays Tutor Jim Tiberi Class time 11.00 am to 12.30 pm

Do your own thing' means learn Word, Publisher and Excel or browse the Internet.



At five minutes and six seconds after 4 AM on the 8th of July this year, the time and date will be
04:05:06 07/08/09.
(This is how it would read to Americans).
It will happen in Australia on 7th August. We put the date first and then the month.

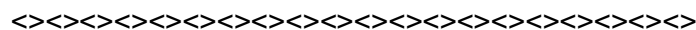
I use these kinds of accounts, but sometimes the password gets lost, and eventually they fill with spam, making it a pain to navigate.

Well here's a brain-dead simple solution to the problem: 10 Minute Mail (Note: Web traffic from this story may be causing the 10 Minute Mail site to crash. If it doesn't load, try it again later.), which provides, for free, exactly what is promised in the name: An email address that vanishes after 10 minutes. There's no registration, no verification. Just click over to the site and hit "Get my 10 Minute Mail e-mail address." You'll instantly be given an address that ceases to exist after 10 minutes. You can then use this address in filling out web forms or whatnot, and a very simple web-based interface gives you full access to any mail the account receives. You can reply to any messages, but you can't send mail to an account that hasn't already emailed you. If you can't get the job done in 10 minutes, you can reset the timer to 10 minutes at any time. There's no need to login, no password to remember.

For safe surfing and spam avoidance, I haven't found a simpler, more elegant solution than 10 Minute Mail. It works flawlessly and couldn't be easier to use. It's earned a place in my Favorites folder.

Web address listed below.

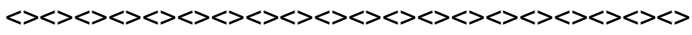
www.10minutemail.com/10MinuteMail/index.html



10 MINUTE MAIL

How many times has this happened to you? You visit a web site but registration is required, with a valid email address needed for confirmation. But maybe it's just a message board you want to read one time only, or a store you have no interest in shopping from again and from which you don't want to be saddled with a lifetime of spam. And you can't use a made-up email address because you have to confirm a link or send back a reply.

One solution is to register for a free email account specifically for uses like this by visiting one of any number of web-based mail systems, such as Yahoo! Mail, Hotmail, or Gmail, but registering for any of these takes an eternity. Then there are passwords to contend with, a mother's maiden name to input, all kinds of overhead in getting the account set up and logged into.



Microsofts Internet Eplorer (8) is now been offered for downloading.

They claim it's fast loading web sites dur to re-write of the browsers code. A new feature offered, **InPrivate** Browsing.

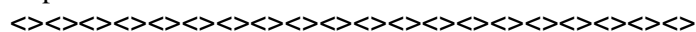
When checking e-mail at an Internet café or shopping for a gift on a family PC, you don't want to leave any trace of specific web browsing activity. **InPrivate** Browsing in Internet Explorer 8 helps prevent your browsing history, temporary Internet files, form data, cookies, and usernames and passwords from being retained by the browser, leaving no evidence of your browsing or search history.

You can start InPrivate Browsing by opening a new tab and selecting Browse with InPrivate or selecting it from the Safety button on the top right corner of the browser window. Once you complete this action, Internet Explorer 8 will launch a new browser session that won't record any information, including searches or webpage visits. To end your InPrivate Browsing session, simply close the browser window.

Internet Explorer 8 includes many performance improvements that contribute to a faster, more responsive web browsing experience in the areas that matter most. Internet Explorer 8 starts quickly, loads pages fast and instantly gets you started on what you want to do next with a powerful new tab page.

It is **faster than in previous versions**, minimizing the load time for webpages.

This new web browser should prove more popular than Explorer 7.



File Name Characters to Avoid

Ever try to save a file only to be told that the file name is "invalid" due to a character issue? The characters listed below are used as command characters for computer save, load or move forward or back. So if you use them in a file name the computer tries to execute the associated command.



A file name cannot contain any of the following characters:
\\/:*?"<>|

So, to avoid future problems, this is a list of characters to avoid:

- * Asterisk (used as a wild card command)
- <> [] Brackets (used as a redirection command, Brackets are for special instnctions)

= Equal sign

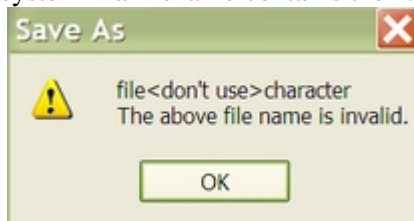
+ Plus sign

" Quotes

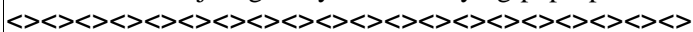
\/ Slashes (used as a foreward and back commands)

, . : ; Comma, Period, Colon, Semicolon

Why don't these characters work in file names? Simple—they have specific functions in Windows so it confuses the system if a filename contains them.



Back in the old days before Windows was smart enough to tell you that a file name was invalid, it often resulted in disaster. Now it just gives you an annoying pop-up.



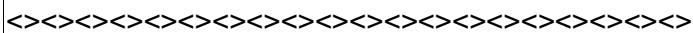
The club has purchased three new laptop computers runing '**Windows Vista Enterprise**'.

The laptop brand name is.....
BenQ Joybook.

The purpose of the purchase is, many new members have bought new computers with "Vista" as the operating system and tutors needed computers running this operation system to help the new members under stand Windows Vista.

Been portable, Vista classes can be run in conjunction with other classes using the adjacent spare tables and chairs.

All class tutors have access to these '**BenQ Joybook**' laptops to become more proficient with 'Windows Vista'.



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Coffee Break

Question on Software or Operating system.

ShortCut Key for 'Undo'

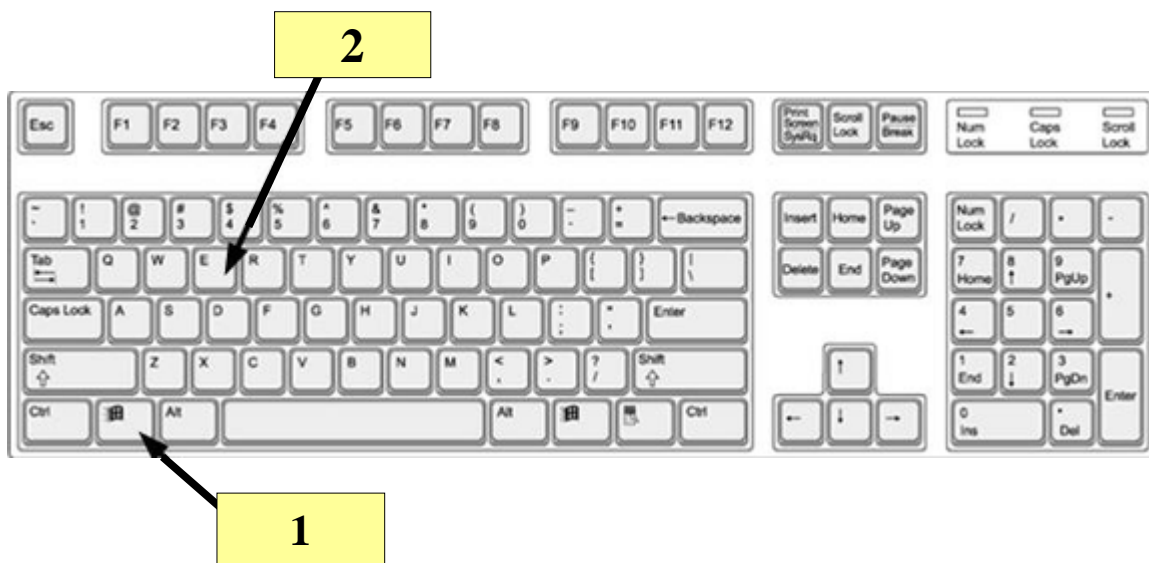
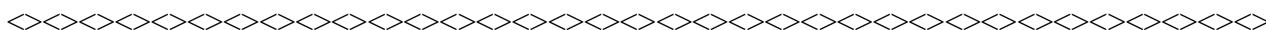
There is a "universal" undo shortcut it's: Ctrl+Z.

Ctrl+Z is normally used in word processing documents, but it also works just about anywhere in windows.

Let's say you accidentally drag an icon to your desktop, Just press Ctrl+Z and the icon vacates your desktop and jumps back to wherever it was before.

Works with Windows Explorer too. Let's say you accidentally delete a file. Instead of going to the recycle bin to recover it, hit Ctrl+Z .

In most programs, Ctrl+Z will undo whatever it was that you just did. Bad thing is that many programs only give you one or two of these "undos."



Also use the [Windows key] and the [E] for a shortcut to open Windows Explorer.