

Cry for Help

Computer Tips & Tricks for the novice to the advanced.

Internet Explorer = Explorer

In my second article I discussed the similarities between “My Computer” and “Explorer”. Time now to take this knowledge to the next level.

Both these tools are also similar to “Internet Explorer”. Try this to prove it for yourself. Open up internet explorer (the big blue E) in your normal way (it doesn't matter whether or not you are connected to the internet – for this exercise it won't make a difference).

Click in the “address” field, this will change whatever was in the address to blue, indicating that whatever you type next will first remove the current contents.

Type “C:” and press enter. In the right hand pane you are now presented with a list of the folders on your C drive.

Then click on the “Folders” button to have the left hand pane replaced with the same list of folders in a tree structure. Also in this left hand pane you can gain quick access by clicking on the desktop, your documents folder, all other drives that are currently mapped on your computer and “My Network” places.

In the same way, you can enter any other drive letter into the “Address Bar” at the top of explorer to jump directly into exploring that drive.

So you are now using Internet Explorer as if it was a normal explorer or “My Computer”, but you also have access to other good tools like the back button, the search button and the history button.

I use this method to jump quickly between local folders and internet resources... Good Luck!



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