

Cry for Help

Computer Tips & Tricks for the novice to the advanced.

Radio in Your Computer

Several years ago radio stations toyed with giving us their transmissions live over the internet, but the technology was not great so it wasn't popular. Now things are different. The internet is faster, computers are faster and playing software like Media Player version 11 from Microsoft are able to deliver the signal in a smooth, easy to listen to sound.

You will need a reasonable set of speakers. The small ones integrated with your monitor are a bit light on for volume, but from \$50 to \$200 you can buy fantastic quality stereo speakers.

So now it doesn't matter where you are, the reception is always fantastic, even if the station you want is interstate or overseas. Simply go to their web site, and click the "Listen Live Now" button. It doesn't matter if it's the ABC, K-Rock, MMM, or 3AW, all the major stations are making this available. Better still is that some web sites also give you the ability to download or listen to episodes of shows that you may have missed. Some stations even let you watch the presenters while they are on air with streaming video.

However this listening isn't free, unless you're on an unlimited download plan – because it is costing you downloads. Typically it is 25MB per hour.

Have a go.

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