

Cry for Help

Computer Tips & Tricks for the novice to the advanced.

Explorer for iPhone & iPad

Not possible I hear you say!

Well that's not actually correct. iPhones and iPads use the iOS operating system. Yes, this file system is closer to Unix than Windows, but nevertheless it is a file system that can be represented in a tree structure, just like explorer in Windows.

So, I wanted to examine the files on my iPad, but after a lot of searching on the internet and installing several apps, I was nearly resigned to the fact that since Apple hadn't provided such a file management tool, then there probably wasn't one. However with a little more searching I finally found i-FunBox. It isn't available on the App Store, but instead it is software that runs on your PC and lets you "Explore" the file system on your iPad (connected via a USB cable).

Now, I can copy and move images and documents as I wish, between apps and to or from the PC, without having to "sync" the two devices.

But, if this is something you are thinking about, be very very careful. In the same way that a novice user on a PC might use explorer to remove important files, and then wonder why the computer stops working. So too, with this tool, I have no doubt, you could disable your device and stop it working. I haven't given this software a complete road test yet, so it comes with no warranty, but you may find it very useful.

Tread Carefully!

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