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Posted by [DBB](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 00:24:40 GMT

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Posted by [DBB](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 00:41:16 GMT

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Posted by [Ultron10](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 00:51:16 GMT

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You wouldn't need to contact them to set up a basic LAN (Local Area Network).

You'll need a network card for each PC you'll want to connect to the network (LAN) which you'll hook up to the router.

I guess Comcast are putting that price up for people who don't want to/can't setup a LAN themselves. Don't worry about it, the instruction manual that comes with the router will guide you through it.

I think you can get some router packs that have network cards sold with them, if not don't worry, you can grab network cards for about 10 quid each, well atleast in England.

I don't know too much about wireless im afraid since I just use ordinary LAN.

I think it's cable-type RJ-45 you'll need to connect the cards to the router (unless of course, you're going wireless), unless i'm mistaken.

Subject: Please Read (OT)

Posted by [ohmybad](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 01:04:49 GMT

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Go with wireless setting up a network with cables is a bitch, specially when the computers are at different ends of the house. But wireless dose cost a bit more.

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Posted by [DBB](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 17:58:53 GMT

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Thanks a bunch! BTW... how much is 10 quid?

Subject: 10 quid

Posted by [hades981](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 18:03:32 GMT

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10 quid is 10 english pounds

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Posted by [DBB](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 19:01:40 GMT

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How many USA dollars? Im guessing 50?(because my friend told me thats how much the cards were)

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Posted by [DrasticDR](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 19:20:11 GMT

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Posted by [EnderGate](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 20:39:15 GMT

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This is what I have to say about wireless (LAG!)

Gammers wanna be WIRED!

Get a Router

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Posted by [DBB](#) on Wed, 10 Sep 2003 22:55:59 GMT

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Well I wouldnt use the labtop for games, id use this desktop pc for that

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Posted by [DBB](#) on Thu, 11 Sep 2003 21:33:39 GMT

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What kind of option should I go with on this one!

Wireless LAN options available 802.11b or 54g

I can get a free 54g upgrade....whats the difference? And are both compatible with Comcast?
DAh!

Subject: Re: Please Read (OT)

Posted by [cowmisfit](#) on Thu, 11 Sep 2003 21:49:05 GMT

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LOL i am just ur man on this one. I got comcast cable on my bran new comp downstairs and i have comcast on this one which is upstairs in my room here is what u need to do. go to a shop that sells comps i got mine at circet city. buy a Microsoft Cable Router and a Microcsft wireless receiver it is a little box with an antenna. It is about 100 dollers total i think but with rebates ended up only like 30. to hook it up you un connect ur cable modem u have now from the cpu and connect it to the router then connect the router to the cpu now the router cable modem and cpu should all be connected together. It comes with a cd to install very simple only took me 5 min to do. now go to the computer you want to send your signal too and plug in the receiver to a usb port and install the disk that came with the reciver on that comp. now you just set up your network pass and name and then the receiver will connect and it will have a little icon in the task bar that says if your connected and if its poor good very good or excellent signal. Not that hard you dont have to pay another 60 doller bill. If you want to do it with a lab top buy a card instead of the receiver (should be right by the reciever) and plug it into your labtop as the instructions that come with it say and i assume it too comes with a disk and ur all set. GOOD LUCK MAN

P.S no you dont have to contact comcast. P.S just wonderen will urs let you have more than 4 people with out dropping them. myn drops everyone if i host over 4 and i have a bran new REALLY GOOD COMP and i dont know y lol.

Subject: Please Read (OT)
Posted by [z310](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 2003 00:17:37 GMT
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could u be on the net on both coms at once??

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Posted by [cowmisfit](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 2003 10:44:21 GMT
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Yes i am right now

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Posted by [DBB](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 2003 21:28:01 GMT
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Thanks bro! Well Comcast said you can have up to 9 people hosted.....but it would be really bad quality.....not sure if they understood my question though

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Posted by [Ultron10](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 2003 21:39:07 GMT

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DBBThanks bro! Well Comcast said you can have up to 9 people hosted.....but it would be really bad quality.....not sure if they understood my question though

They probably mean if you had 9 people on your LAN all using the internet at the same time, the internet would be slow (depends on the speed of your line).

But "hosted" sounds like they thought you are going to set up a web host service or something.

A lot of tech support people I've spoken to over the past years aren't the sharpest knives in the drawer.

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Posted by [Ultron10](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 2003 21:42:10 GMT

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You can get some expensive network cards, but it's a waste of money. Go for the cheapest ones you can find.

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Posted by [DBB](#) on Fri, 12 Sep 2003 23:28:57 GMT

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The guy said I would need to buy a wireless router and two wireless cards. One for my labtop and one for my desktop....I was told I wouldnt need a wireless card for my desktop.....that I could just hook the router up to the comp?
