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# All You Need is a Modem

**O**N-LINE! is an electronic bulletin board service that lets you access all sorts of exciting menus. When you subscribe to ON-LINE!, you'll have lively "conversations" when you enter Multi-User Chat or Chat Conferences.

When you want to know what's happening you can

pull the community calendar of events up on your screen and find someplace to go or something to do.

When you're in the mood to cook, you'll be able to choose from hundreds of recipes - yours or other ON-LINE! users. Or, if you're tired of cooking, you'll want to check the Dining Out menu.



Almost any computer manufactured in the last five years (even earlier) can be used for ON-LINE! communications. (For more sophisticated applications, you'll need at least 640k of RAM memory and a VGA color monitor.) But you also need a modem, which lets your computer use your regular home phone line to communicate with other computers.

**A note on modems**



## ON-LINE! Features...

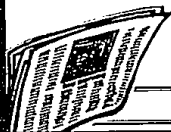
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- ON-LINE! GAMES • CHAT FORUMS • ELECTRONIC MAGAZINES such as ON-LINE! shopping with PC Catalog (indexed and updated weekly with current prices) • WEST COAST MOVIE REVIEW GUIDE
- METROPOLITAN FILM GUIDE • BOARDWATCH MAGAZINE • STOCK AND MUTUAL FUND QUOTES
- INTERNATIONAL AND LOCAL DISCUSSION AREAS • ALL TWELVE OBSERVER AND ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS • CALENDAR OF COMMUNITY EVENTS (UPDATED WEEKLY).

INTERNATIONAL AND LOCAL DISCUSSION AREAS



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•FILE EXCHANGE AREA Download popular shareware programs such as anti-virus utilities, file managers, multimedia utilities, drawing programs, etc.

•PERSONALS Find that special someone to share your life with through your PC. Have an ON-LINE! chat with them before meeting.

•ON-LINE! GAMES Master Mind, Solitaire, Interactive Chess (two can play each other).

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## The Internet

THE MAIN TOOLS FOR NAVIGATING THE NET.

•ELECTRONIC MAIL (E-MAIL):

Electronic messages transmitted usually in a matter of seconds - from one user to another via the Internet.

•FILE TRANSFER PROTOCOL (FTP):

Allows you to copy a file from another computer to your own. Good for acquiring games, pictures, computer programs or documents.

•TELNET:

A means of tapping into a remote computer to gain access to its publicly available files as if you were directly connected. Particularly useful for perusing library card catalogs or large databases.

•ARCHIE, GROPIER, WAIS, WWW, VERONICA:

Popular search tools for sifting through the vast amount of information on the Internet.

WHAT'S ON THE INTERNET?

Government documents, library catalogs, databases, computer software, games, bulletin boards, discussion groups and an electronic mail system that offers virtually instantaneous worldwide communication.

There's not a directory of everything available on the Internet. There's just too much. But here's a sampling:

- Library of Congress card catalog.
- Daily White House press releases.
- Weather maps and weather forecasts.
- Schedules of pro basketball, hockey, baseball and football teams.
- Weekly Nielsen television ratings.
- CIA World Map.
- ZIP code guide.
- National Family Database
- Project Gutenberg, offering complete texts of many works of literature.
- Alcoholism Research Data Base.
- Guitar chords and tablature.
- U.S. Government addresses, phone and fax numbers.
- The Simpsons archive.