

HTML Webserver

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Your First Step: A Personal Web Server If you want other people to view your pages, you must publish them. To publish your work, you have to copy your files to a web server. Your own PC can act as a web server if it is connected to a network. If you are running Windows 98, you can use the PWS (Personal Web Server). PWS is hiding in the PWS folder in your Windows CD. Personal Web Server (PWS)

PWS turns any Windows computer into a Web server. PWS is easy to install and ideal for developing and testing Web applications. PWS has been optimized for workstation use, but has all the requirements of a full Web server. It also runs Active Server Pages (ASP) just like its larger brother IIS. **How to Install a Personal Web Server (PWS):** Browse your Windows installation to see if you have installed PWS. If not, install PWS from the PWS directory on your Windows CD. Follow the instructions and get your Personal Web Server up and running. Read more about Microsoft's Personal Web Server. **Note:** Microsoft Windows XP Home Edition does not come with the option to turn your computer into a PWS! Internet Information Server (IIS)

Windows 2000's built-in Web server IIS, makes it easy to build large applications for the Web. Both PWS and IIS include ASP, a server-side scripting standard that can be used to create dynamic and interactive Web applications. IIS is also available for Windows NT. Read more about Microsoft's Internet Information Services. **Your Next Step: A Professional Web Server** If you do not want to use PWS or IIS, you must upload your files to a public server. Most Internet Service Providers (ISP's) will offer to host your web pages. If your employer has an Internet Server, you can ask him to host your Web site. If you are really serious about this, you should install your own Internet Server.