

Re: Dial-up for Spare PCs.

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I'd take that question/response one step further.

If you are close enough and don't need wireless, a simple router plugged into the comcast modem will allow you to plug in other PC's. Normally routers come with at least 4 ports. You simply plug the router in where y our PC did, and then plug the pc into the router. Now that PC is working just like it did. The nice thing about a router is that Comcast only sees the router as one item taking up one of your 5 connections. You can them plug in 253 other PC's in your house and Comcast does not care.

Granted as PD43 said, if you need distance, cable is a bitch and a wireless router will provide you with both wireless and wired connections. This gives you the best of both worlds.

I just offer this in case you are not up to date on how routers etc work. Also look a bit at Comcast. Some ISP's have dialup #'s along with your broadband service if you are hot on dialup. I'd go the router route.

PD43 wrote:

"Violet" <Violet@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Hi:

Our ISP, Comcast has five(5) limited Internet Connections that we, the family already has been.

Then, we've been thinking of 'Dial-up' for two(2) PC, both of which is older version of XP, Home Editions.

We rarely plan to use those PCs after Dial-up connection, but it's nice to have Internet Connection when someone visiting us.

Wonder which dial-up service is recommended?
There are several Dial-up Services to choose.

Thanks for your help in advance.

Don't spend any more money on another service.

Equip one of the connected machines with a wireless router, and the

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spare PCs with a wireless modem (try USB first, install a PCI card if that doesn't work).

It's all quite simple, and your visitors will have broadband at no extra cost to you other than the hardware money.