

Re: Can't access other computers in Workgroup

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On Sun, 14 Aug 2005 19:01:02 -0700, GlennK <GlennK@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

>I currently have a Cable modem working through a wireless router. I have 5
>computers hooked up to the network. 3 are wireless, 2 are hooked directly to
>the router. All have unique computer names and the same Workgroup Name. 1
>runs Windows 2000, a laptop runs XP pro, 2 run XP Home and 1 runs XP Media.
>All can access the internet, but when I try to browse the workgroups to see
>the other computers I can the following error:
>
>"<WORKGROUP> is not accessible. You might not have permission to use this
>network resource. Contact the administrator of this server to find out if
>you have access permissions.
>
>The List of servers for this workgroup is not currently available."
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>All the users have the same username/password on all machines. I was logged
>in as administrator on ALL machines when I ran network wizard and I have made
>sure that all of the Shared Documents can be shared.
>
>I can't figure out what the problem is. Can you help?
>
>Btw. IPCONFIG /All works, but BROWSTAT STATUS does not work at the Command
>Prompt.
>
>Thanks for the help.
>
>Glenn

Glenn,

Where did you copy browstat.exe? If, for example, you have copied browstat into "c:\utility", you can run it as "c:\utility\browstat status >c:\browstat.txt". That is, if you cannot manage to install it into a folder configured into the Path.

<<http://nitecruZR.blogspot.com/2005/05/using-path-and-making-custom-program.html>>
<<http://nitecruZR.blogspot.com/2005/05/browstat-utility-from-microsoft.html>>

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This problem of yours is frequently caused by either a misconfigured or overlooked firewall, or by the restrictanonymous setting.

Misconfigured / overlooked firewalls:

<<http://nitecruZR.blogspot.com/2005/05/your-personal-firewall-can-either-help.html>>

Registry setting restrictanonymous:

<<http://nitecruZR.blogspot.com/2005/07/restrictanonymous-and-your-server.html>>

If neither of the latter hints are useful, try to get browstat running. The diagnostics provided by browstat, in combination with ipconfig, are very useful.

Please let us know if any of these suggestions are of any help. What you learn may help others in the future, and that's the purpose of these forums.

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Cheers,

Chuck, MS-MVP [Windows - Networking]

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Paranoia is not a problem, when it's a normal response from experience.

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