

How to Access your Computer from Anywhere for Free

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Have you ever wished you could access your home or work computer when you're not there? Let's take a couple of common examples: You're on vacation, and you want to check your home email, or you're at home and want to work on a spreadsheet that's on your work computer. Perhaps you'd like to answer your work email from Starbucks.

There is a way! Using the latest remote-control technology, you can be anywhere in the world and actually use your own computer. You have complete access to your files, programs, pictures, email—even your printer. Now here's the best part—it's free.

So how does this magic happen? You simply create a free account with logmein, (www.logmein.com). This involves creating a username, such as your email address, creating a password, and creating a computer passcode (password). Next, you install a small program on your computer (be sure to check with your IT department at work before installing anything on a work computer).

Make sure to leave your computer turned on and connected to The Internet when you want to remotely access it. Logmein is very secure. Logmein uses ultra-high 256 bit en-

ryption, which is higher than most banks use for online banking or credit card purchases.

When you're away from your computer, you just go to www.logmein.com and enter your username and password. You'll see a list of your computers. Click the one you want to access and enter the passcode. Sometimes, logmein will ask to install a small program on the computer. Next you'll see your very own computer screen and have access to all your files and programs.

There is a slight decrease in speed using logmein vs sitting at your computer, but it's a small price to pay for the luxury of having anywhere/anytime access to your computer.

Logmein requires a PC, and a high-speed Internet connection, such as DSL, or cable. To download a free logmein cheat sheet, please go to www.Nerd4Rent.com and click freestuff.



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