

TOP 15 ESSENTIAL FREE SOFTWARE

A listing of highly recommended FREE & open source software that nearly every PC user should have in their collection.

- 1. Google Chrome a great alternative to Internet Explorer.
- 2. CutePDF Writer enables nearly any Windows based application to create PDF documents.
- 3. 7-Zip file compression & decompression (zip files) utility.
- 4. <u>DriveImage XML</u> Backup, clone, image and restore logical drives and partitions.
- 5. Foxit Reader a great alternative to Adobe Reader. Runs great on older machines.
- 6. <u>Firefox</u> another great alternative browser.
- 7. <u>VLC Media Player</u> one of the best media players available. Will play audio and video files of nearly any file type.
- 8. Malwarebytes Anti-Malware a good first line defense against a variety of computer infections.
- 9. **CDBurnerXP** Simple to use CD/DVD burning software.
- 10. <u>Libre Office</u> open source Microsoft Office compatible application suite (word processor, spreadsheet, presentations)
- 11. **Dropbox** cloud based file storage/sharing.
- 12. MediaMonkey good iTunes alternative.
- 13. Google Docs web based office applications.
- 14. Paint.Net a free image and photo editing software.
- 15. WinAmp full blown, multi-platform media manager.

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