

Cool Web Tools: Who Uses What and Why
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Tired of trying to keep track of what's new on the Web, how to find it again, and search for specific file types? Want to be able to get the latest and greatest with the least amount of effort? This presentation will reveal free and inexpensive tools that allow you to easily keep abreast of website updates, find sites that you found useful in the past, and finding tools for file types often not indexed by search robots.

Here are the tools that will be covered:

Spyonit - <http://www.spyonit.com/Home>

Spyonit.com is a free online service that provides notifications to users of various customizable events such as Web page changes, newsgroup postings on specific topics or by specific individuals, closing bell stock quotes, etc. Notifications can be set by the user to come via email, instant message, cell phone or PDA.

BookmarkSync - <http://www.syncit.com>

BookmarkSync makes it easy to find and access favorite websites regardless of the browser or computer one is using. It was a free downloadable application but as of November 1, 2001, the cost is \$50 to download the software. However, you get 20 free syncs so you can test drive it for free. BookmarkSync allows real-time automatic synchronization that allows access to bookmarks, favorites, and favorite files from any computer or any browser.

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Most of us have heard of the invisible web and the inability for many search engines to ferret out specialized files such as those in Adobe PDF (Portable Document Format). Find out what Adobe is doing to make it possible to find PDF documents on the Web. We'll also look at Google's ability to find PDFs.

FindSounds.com - <http://www.findsounds.com>

FindSounds.com is a search engine for finding sound effects and sample sounds on the Web. It provides powerful, advanced features, yet is simple and easy to use, and suitable for all ages. A nice feature is that audio files containing obscenities are filtered out so this site is safe for children.