

Free is good:

Three fantastic and free Web resources

Sometimes the good content on the Web is a bit hard to find. This month's tip highlights three helpful Web site resources, all of which are free.

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Arranging all open windows

You can simultaneously arrange multiple windows in several ways.

To simultaneously minimize all open windows and dialog boxes, click the Show Desktop button (☰) on the taskbar. It is only available when the Quick Launch bar is displayed. If the Quick Launch bar is not displayed, right-click an empty area on the taskbar, point to Toolbars, and then click Quick Launch.

Pressing the Windows logo key (⊞) and M will also minimize all windows. ⊞+Shift+M will restore windows to their pre-minimized sizes.

You can also reduce all open windows to taskbar buttons by right-clicking an empty area on the taskbar and selecting Minimize All Windows. To restore all the windows to their previous state, right-click an empty area on the taskbar, and then click Undo Minimize All.

Cascading and tiling windows

If you right-click an empty area on the taskbar, you will be given three choices: Cascade Windows, Tile Windows Horizontally, or Tile Windows Vertically. The Cascade option stacks all windows in a diagonally stacked pile so that the title bar for each window is visible. The Tile option automatically resizes all non-

minimized windows so they appear like floor tiles.

When using the Cascade and Tile options, windows that have been reduced to taskbar buttons will not be displayed. This makes it easy to cascade or tile just a few selected windows, rather than a window for every program that is open on the computer. To restore your windows to their previous state, right-click an empty area on the taskbar, and then click Undo Cascade or Undo Tile.

Go wild and have some fun with your windows.

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