

## LESSON 49

### DESKTOP SHORTCUT TO A RESTART

### TRACKING BUSY NET TIMES

Both Windows 95 & 98 ask you to click on Start and then on Shut Down to shut down the computer. If you select Restart, your computer performs what we call a "warm boot" in that the Windows program restarts itself. The next time you click on Start and then on Shut Down, Restart will be the default selection instead of Shut Down. Should you forget to change that setting when you go to shut your computer off Windows will restart and not shut down.

Here's a simple Desktop shortcut you can use to restart Windows without having to go through the Start and Shut Down dialog boxes.

Click on Start, Programs, Accessories, and then open Notepad. Type "@EXIT", without the quotes, and press the Enter key. Now click on File and on Save As. Type `yC:\windows\desktop\Restart.Bat` without the quotes. Now click on File and then Exit. You will find a new icon on your Desktop. Right-click on that icon and select Properties. Now open the Program tab and click on the Close on Exit check box. Click on the Advanced button and select the MS-DOS mode option. Uncheck the Warn before entering MS-Dos mode option. Click on OK to close both of the open dialog boxes. A second Restart icon will appear on the Desktop. That is the icon that you can double-click to restart Windows. Be sure to leave the first Restart icon on the desktop or the 2nd icon won't work.

Have you noticed that the Internet seems slower during certain times of the day? The Net has very busy periods during the day. Here's a Web site that will let you monitor Internet traffic so you can go pick the best times to surf the Net and download large files.

Try [www.mfst.com/MAE/west.ds3.overlay.html](http://www.mfst.com/MAE/west.ds3.overlay.html). I'm sure you'll find this site most informative.

See, that wasn't so hard, was it?

