

## **LESSON 155**

### **SILENCE THAT MODEM ONCE AND FOR ALL**

Some of us find that loud noise our modems make when we first connect to the Internet really annoying. You can squelch that awful noise. Here's how to turn it off once and for all.

Double-click on My Computer and then on Control Panel. Double-click on Modems. Open the Modem icon and highlight your modem. Click on Properties and then open the Connection tab. Click on Advanced tab and click in the Extra settings box. Type "ATMO" without the quotes. Note that the last character in ATMO is a zero and not the letter O. Click OK twice and then Close to exit.

Note that when you highlight your modem and click on Properties, the General tab has a sliding switch in a box marked "Speaker volume". This switch can control the volume of a speaker mounted on the modem. Most modems today do not have an on-board speaker, so the volume control on the General tab will not stop the modem from making noises as it connects to another modem.

Should you miss that screeching modem noise, just follow the same steps and remove ATMO from the extra settings box.

