TheOpenCD

Quality Open Source for Windows

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About the CD
The OpenCD is ...

- A collection of quality software
- An open source showcase
- A community project
What is included?

- OpenOffice
- AbiWord
- GIMP
- Mozilla
- Multimedia
- Utilities
- The source code
- OSS literature
What is not included?

- Shareware/Freeware
- File sharing programs
- Duplicate programs
- Development tools
- Server applications
The Project
The Forum

### General Devrel Discussion

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The CD release process

- On-line collaboration
- Strict selection criteria:
  - OSI approved license
  - High Quality (stable and 'bug-free')
  - Clean install and un-install
  - Mainstream and easy to use
  - Well documented
  - Best in class
- Programs are nominated in the forum
  - → testing, lively debate, and final selection
- Introductory documentation is written
- Graphics are prepared
- The CD browser is written
- The CD as a whole is tested
- CD images (ISO) are distributed on the net
Future editions

- Translated content
- New CD browser technology
- More programs (slowly)
- More guides and tutorials
- Free content, such as images and music
Deployment in Education
Reasons to use TheOpenCD

- **Upgrade path to Linux**
  - Avoid the Windows upgrade cycle
  - Extend the life of older hardware
  - Migrate Platforms in two stages:
    - 1. Applications
    - 2. Operating system
  - More flexible upgrade route by providing platform-interoperability along the way

- **OSS teaching tool**
  - The CD contains 3 books on the subject and several program tutorials
  - Note: Training is cheaper with Free Software
    - Each student gets a free copy to take home
Physical deployment

- Computing services shop
  - The OUCS computer supply shop will have CDs
- Freshers packs
- Install on multiple machines
  - From a CD, a memory stick, or the network
- How to get more CDs
  - Simply make copies
  - LinuxEmporium.co.uk, CheapLinux.com, etc.
  - email: bulk-cds@theopencd.org
How can you help us?

- Writing documentation and Tutorials
  - Possible student projects
- CD development
  - Programming
  - Graphics
  - Translation
- Feedback
  - Bug reports
  - Program selection
  - Application usability studies