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LINKS

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www.dfes.gov.uk/ukonlinecentres Find Internet access that's close to you.

MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS

☐ **www.futuremusic.co.uk**
Specialises in modern music technology, reviews, tips and techniques. Occasionally will contain competitions. Links to equipment manufacturers. Second hand gear listed.

☐ **www.soundonsound.com**
More general studio equipment and techniques. Reader's ads for second hand gear. The "Search" for articles from past issues is very useful.

☐ **www.computermusic.co.uk**
Good info on the basic computer based set up for music. Tutorials on music software. Reviews of readers demos.

☐ **www.cd-uk.co.uk/information /templates_main.htm**

☐ **www.worldlabel.com/Pages /cd_template.htm**
Downloadable templates for cd booklets and inlay

☐ **http://cdrworld.co.uk/acatalog/CDR_World_ CD_Jewel_Cases_15.html**
Website selling cd and dvd packaging

☐ **www.uk.neato.com**
Suppliers of cd labels and software for printing them

☐ **www.cd-writer.com**
Suppliers of cd duplicators and printers

☐ **www.amstore.co.uk**
CD duplication and manufacture

☐ **www.sounds-good.co.uk**
CD duplication and manufacture

☐ **http://electronics.howstuffworks.com /cd.htm**
Information on how CD's work

☐ **www.marcpeters.co.uk/How-to-make-a- DVD.html**
Information on authoring DVDs

☐ **www.marcpeters.co.uk /free-dvd-creation.html**
Free software for authoring DVDs

☐ **www.digital-digest.com/dvd/downloads /softencode.html**
Information and demo of Sonic Foundry Soft Encode

☐ **http://entertainment.howstuffworks.com /mp3.htm**
Information on how MP3's work

☐ **www.coolnerds.com/Newbies/kBmBgB /SizeAndSpeed.htm**
Information on file sizes, internet connection speeds and more

☐ **www.ftpx.com**
shareware FTP client

☐ **www.xcalibre.co.uk**
webhosting from £40 per year

☐ **www.freewebspace.net**
searchable guide to free webspace

☐ **www.audigist.com**
digital distribution website

☐ **www.vitaminic.co.uk**
digital distribution website

☐ **http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/sci/tech/774615.stm**
information on MP4 - DivX

BOOKS & MAGAZINES

☐ **Future Music**
All the latest hi tech equipment is reviewed, plus studio and remixing tips.

☐ **Sound On Sound**
More general studio technology features. Good tips and techniques from professionals.

☐ **Computer Music**
Magazine specifically for making music with computers. Usually has a free CD with samples and software.

☐ **The Mix**

MORE TASKS

1   Read workbook 6 – marketing, promotions and distribution for lots more information on how to make a good product.

2   Do some research on the many types of CD packaging available and make a fully costed action plan to produce a sophisticated product with a run of 500 units.

3   Develop your own website and upload all your music to it.

4   Gather prices and other information for pressing 1000 white label vinyl EPs.
Compare this information from 2 UK based vinyl pressing businesses and from non-UK competitors.

TIP

Look at Eastern European businesses.

5   Gather prices and other information for duplicating 500 CDs with on-body printing of your own design, with either cardboard packaging, jewel cases or plastic wallets. Compare this information from 2 UK based duplication businesses – both local and national.

6   Find audio files in the following formats and listen to them
- MP3
- AIFF
- FLAC
- SHORTEN
What is the difference in quality of sound?
What is the difference in file size?
How would YOU save your audio for best effect in digital format?