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A Weblog or "blog" is an instant, interactive personal Web page. Blogs contain frequently updated thoughts and observations that are posted chronologically on the Web. The first bloggers started popping up in the late 1990s, as self-published homepages became the rage among Internet enthusiasts. Today, blogs are used by everyone from students to journalists and entrepreneurs to politicians, who use them to refine their campaign positions.

Private blogs on company Intranets are also used by geographically dispersed work groups. In Mike's blog, he is sharing his thoughts with his colleagues, and wife, Silvia, about a soccer match. An expert multitasker. Mike is watching a live

Webcast of his favorite team on his Toshiba Satellite M30 while he works on a sales pitch to a key client. His boss, Critcheson, who is blogging too, gets nervous about this situation, but Mike has it all in under control.

Mike, Wednesday, 2:12 PM:

Frustration reigns! We had a dozen shots on goal the first half, and the other guys had two. And the score's 1-1. Our guys need to practice shooting!!

Comments Therrie, 2:17 PM:

Hey, Mike. What kind of post is that? Aren't you supposed to be working?

Mike, 2:32 PM: Whoa. I'm watching the match—and jotting down notes for my presentation with Microsoft Office OneNote 2003, which is pre-installed! This thing is incredible! It lets me capture my handwritten notes, and keep my text documents up on the screen at the same time, and even play back and store my voice interviews, and then shoot it all across the Web. You won't catch me falling behind on my work.

Comments Critcheson, 2:33 PM:

Michael. Where's the proposal on the Satellite M30 series for the Worthington account? Wasn't that due at 3 p.m.?

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Mike, 2:34 PM: No worries, sir. The proposal went to Brenda at, let me see, 1:47. It's 37 pages, with color graphs and charts, sir. If you'd like a preview, download the Worthington.pdf file from the intranet server.

Comments Critcheson, 2:42 PM: Oh, yes. This will do famously.

Comments Silvia, 2:45 PM: Tell me, Mike. Will that thing make coffee, too? <g>

Mike, 2:46 PM: Not yet, love, but Toshiba probably has something like that in mind. It can do just about anything else. Take a look at pc.toshiba-asia.com/product/products.jsp, you'll get the whole story. But in a nutshell, nice body, good-looking 15.4-inch wide LCD screen, amazing harman/kardon stereo speakers... hold on...

Mike, 2:48 PM: GO-O-O-O-A-A-AL!!!!!! 2-1 for our guys, Sil!

Comments Silvia, 2:50 PM: We are the champions, we are the champions....

Mike, 2:50 PM: Where was I? Oh. Graphics. The NVIDIA GeForce FX Go 5200 graphics processing unit—does graphics in 3D, all on a screen with true cinematic DVD reproduction.

Comments Critcheson, 2:52 PM: You can watch the game, live, and work at the same time.

Mike, 2:53 PM: Yes! It comes with Windows XP Professional, which makes this thing a powerful wireless workstation, with Intel Centrino mobile technology, which allows me to watch the match while posting this to you. It also has a giant capacity hard drive to store video, graphics and a bunch more. Oh, and the 3.7-hour battery life lets me watch the whole 90-minute match.

Comments Critcheson, 3:03 PM: You're our leading striker. This presentation is a masterpiece!

Mike, 3:12 PM: With the wireless capabilities, I can work with our database any time or anywhere I get a new idea. And we're getting so many WiFi hot spots in town that I can hook up almost anywhere. The less time I spend in the office, the more customers I can see!

Comments Critcheson: 3:14 PM: Michael, it's good that you get your tasks done efficiently, but we would like to see you in person more often. <g>

Comments Silvia: 3:15 PM: Yes, Mike. IN PERSON! :Get home early, dear. ☺



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