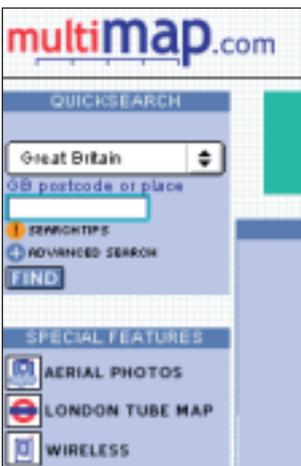


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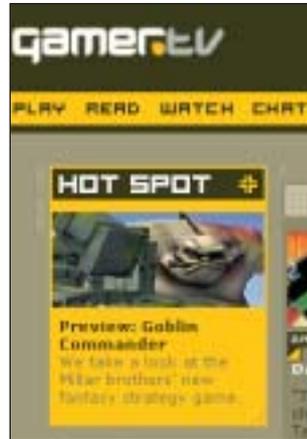


[www.bbc.co.uk/videonation](http://www.bbc.co.uk/videonation)

The BBC's Video Nation has rightly been short-listed for best community website in the online world's equivalent of the Oscars – the Webby awards. Video Nation has created a broadband-specific version and features 750 film shorts.



[www.multimap.com](http://www.multimap.com)  
Multimap has long been one of *PC Advisor's* favourites – especially with our team of journalists who are constantly popping to press conferences up and down the UK. Just type in the postcode or street name and off you go. Of course, over a narrowband connection you could have grown a beard in the time it took to download the relevant map. But with the arrival of broadband all that has changed.



[www.gamer.tv](http://www.gamer.tv)  
Gaming, as we all know, is often touted as one of broadband's killer applications. Optimised for broadband, Gamer.tv takes interactive entertainment up a notch, offering cutting-edge browser games, vibrant communities and video-on-demand.



[www.howstuffworks.com](http://www.howstuffworks.com)  
An excellent resource for parents of excessively inquisitive children who just won't stop asking how things work. The next time they pester you, buy yourself some time, get to your broadband-enabled PC, and fire up this informative site. When we checked it out, Sars and nuclear bombs were showcased on its homepage.



[www.4thegame.com](http://www.4thegame.com)  
Essential viewing for anyone with a passion for football. This is the Barclaycard Football Premiership's official website and is packed with up-to-date news and analysis on all things related to the UK's top league.



[www.techtales.com](http://www.techtales.com)  
If any of you out there are involved in IT support you will no doubt have heard stories about the things PC users get up to. At TechTales you'll find a repository of audio clips from like-minded techies – you can even add your own.



[www.morpheus.com](http://www.morpheus.com)  
Now that P2P file-trading network Morpheus has reached its third version and in the light of the US courts' new-found support for MP3 swapping sites, we thought we'd give it a plug (as long as you don't download copyright-protected content of course). The upgrade

sports an integrated media player and media library.



[www.lonelyplanet.com](http://www.lonelyplanet.com)  
In the world of print, Lonely Planet has long set the benchmark by which guides for independent travellers are judged. Its online carnation has similarly become a standard bearer, with some of the best forums around. Real travellers offering real opinions. As ever, much faster and slicker with a broadband connection.



[www.pcadvisor.co.uk/consumerwatch](http://www.pcadvisor.co.uk/consumerwatch)  
Still not got broadband access but about to take the plunge? Don't sign on the dotted line until you've been to the *PC Advisor* ConsumerWatch forum. You'll find countless broadband-enabled readers ready and willing to share their experiences.

[www.pcadvisor.co.uk/helproom](http://www.pcadvisor.co.uk/helproom)  
Alternatively, if it's technical assistance you need with your broadband connection, our Helproom forum is primed with half a million postings. More than 200 PC-related technical queries get answered every month – and they're often broadband related.