# best broadband utilities

So you've taken the plunge and opted for broadband. But how do you get the most out of your always-on connection? Available at **www.pcadvisor.co.uk/downloads,** this is our pick of the utilities that surfers simply can't do without

Ad-aware 6.0 Build 0162
Pull the plug on adware and spyware with the latest version of this free tool. Ad-aware scans your system, including removable drives, for the most common types of advertising spyware and safely removes offending software.
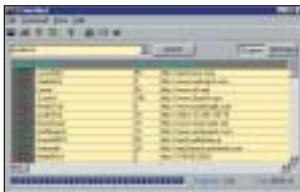
Find MP3 7.8.1
Quickly find and download MP3 files on the internet with this handy utility. It locates as many as 300 files in a matter of seconds and lets you download with one click. Find MP3 is compatible with other FTP (file transfer protocol) programs, so you can use it to search and use another app to download.


Kazaa Media Desktop 2.1
If you're a gambler who doesn't mind playing it fast and loose with viruses, you can enjoy a

wealth of MP3s and videos with this excellent tool. Officially the most downloaded piece of software in history, Kazaa is the world's most popular, and controversial, P2P (peer-to-peer) file-sharing network.

Kazaa Speedup 2.63
An add-on for the popular Kazaa Media Desktop file-sharing system, Speedup adds a number of time-saving tools and generally ramps up the P2P experience. It's claimed that this handy utility can speed your downloads by more than 50 percent.
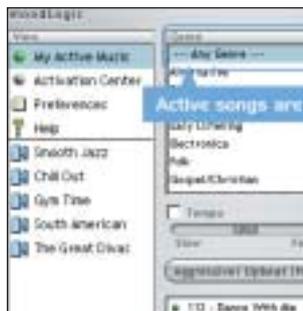
MoodLogic 2.0
If you have a large number of MP3s, it doesn't take much for your beloved collection to fall into disarray. Before you know it, your library is full of files with misspelled song titles and artists. MoodLogic automates the process of fixing and organising digital music files.

Spybot Search & Destroy 1.2
Protect your privacy by removing spybots and replacing them with empty dummies. It will search your hard disk for so-called adbots, the modules that are responsible for showing ads and transmitting information back to vendors. It also removes your usage tracks – last visited sites, opened files, started programs and cookies.
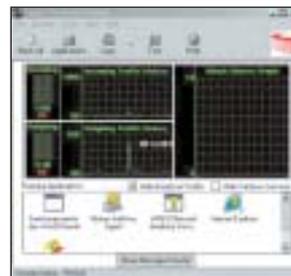
Sygate Personal Firewall 5.0 Build 1175
Protect your data from malicious hackers and prevent unauthorised access to your files from inside your network. Remember, 'always on' means always vulnerable unless you practice safe surfing.

Winamp Full 3.0
The original, and some say the best, MP3 player for Windows. Want to play at the optimum fidelity for jazz tunes as well as bass-heavy rock songs? Winamp lets you save equaliser settings for specific songs. It also has a mini-browser that lets you view biographies and photos and you can sign up for 3GB of free internet music storage.

Xolox Ultra 1.5
An interface to the Gnutella music-sharing network. Xolox is designed for novices and is easy to set up. The intelligent download manager resumes interrupted downloads even if your PC crashes midstream.

ZoneAlarm 3.7.143
Block uninitiated and unwanted web traffic even while your PC is unattended. You can limit your exposure to attack by specifying which apps can access the net. ZoneAlarm also stops email-borne Visual Basic Script worms.