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WILL TABLETS REALLY KILL THE PC?
COMMON TECH MYTHS DEBUNKED
FUN DIGITAL CAMERA TRICKS
HACK YOUR ANDROID BOOT SCREEN



Should You Bother?

REVIEWED



BlackBerry Playbook
HTC Sensation
Nokia E6



Apple iMac
Canon PowerShot SX230 IS
Asus Matrix GTX 580 Platinum
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SECURITY

MicromCS

Rs 250
Android; Size: 1.05 MB

OVERALL RATING ★★★★☆

MicromCS is a security solution designed to track stolen mobile phones. This app is downloadable from the Android Market and requires registration to function. During registration, you're prompted to input the license key and details such as name, email address, and two mobile phone numbers to which theft alerts can be sent. The app is functional after entering the activation key which is sent by SMS. It runs in the background and monitors the change of SIM cards. If a different SIM card is inserted, an SMS alert is sent to the



specified recipients mentioning the phone number, network information and GPS details. Commands can also be sent from the recipients' phones to the stolen phone to delete contacts, gallery contents and SMS. We tested the Android version and it worked perfectly. 📌

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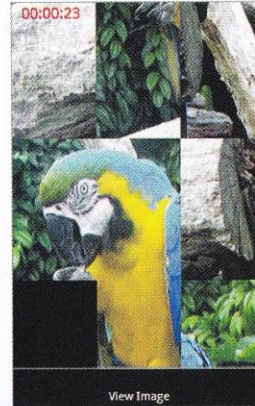
GAME

Easy Puzzle

Free
Android; Size: 1.63 MB

OVERALL RATING ★★★★☆

This puzzle-solving game can be a great way to pass time. It displays a full-screen picture which gets scrambled into movable blocks when you select Jumble from the menu. The number of blocks depends on the level of difficulty you've selected. You have to skilfully slide the blocks to the right places to solve the puzzle. You can switch to the original picture for reference while solving the puzzle. The number of moves used to solve the puzzle and the time taken is logged and displayed in the high score list. The game offers two



pictures that can be selected as puzzles and these change every month. The Android Market has many similar games, and this could have been more interesting if there were more puzzles or if the user could choose photos of his/her choice as puzzles. 📌

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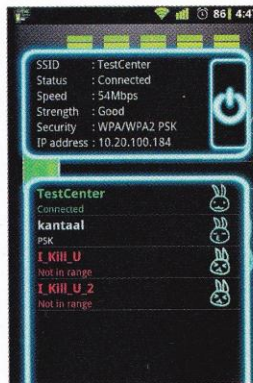
SYSTEM TOOLS

Wi-Fi Rabbit

Free
Android v 2.1 and above

OVERALL RATING ★★★★☆

Wi-Fi Rabbit shows you the state of your Wi-Fi connectivity in the form of a desktop icon. A simple tap on the widget pulls up the app in a small window, where you can switch on or off your wireless radio instantly. Another tap on this window shows you a list of remembered access points/routers and you can then select the desired AP you wish to connect to. When the Wi-Fi radio is turned off, the rabbit icon shows it as asleep, and when Wi-Fi is on, the rabbit ears animate and stay upright. You can also toggle



the widget as a cat, and in the paid version, you can also set different colors. The app also displays SSID, status, link speed, signal strength, security and IP address. It's a useful app for those who prefer to hide their notification bar and those who want to switch between APs easily. 📌

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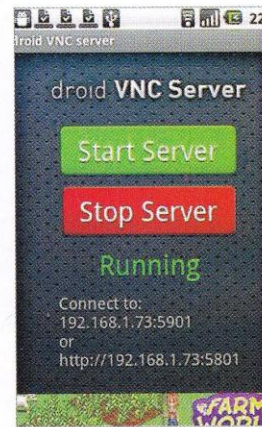
SYSTEM TOOLS

Droid VNC Server Beta

Free
Android v 1.5 and above

OVERALL RATING ★★★★☆

Using Droid VNC Server, you can take complete control of your Android phone using your desktop. It makes uses of the wireless network and can also be used on mobile Internet or across the globe if the IP address is live. The app activates the server module and one can take control using a VNC client application on the desktop PC or using a Web interface using any browser. It supports password authentication, rotate and scale, mouse and keyboard emulation and clipboard support. All you need is a



rooted device, and this app. Send SMS or emails, browse websites, or tweak your Android device faster using your mouse on the desktop PC. You can even control your phone using another Android, Windows or Symbian based phone using Wi-Fi. 📌

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