



## Product of the month - Office 2010 Starter Edition

**A lightweight version of Microsoft Office – and it's free. Well, sort of!**

If you bought a PC any time in the last decade the chances are it came pre-installed with *Microsoft Works*. This was a cut down version of Excel and Word which was fine for users who only wanted limited functionality. Mourn its passing, because Works is no more.



Microsoft has replaced Works with Office 2010 Starter Edition.

You can't actually buy this software. It comes pre-installed or available as an option with PCs from most major manufacturers.

Here are the key features and limitations:

- The product has adverts in the bottom right hand corner. These rotate every 45 seconds and promote other Microsoft products (think "upsell"!)
- You can copy the program via a memory stick to as many other PCs as you like.
- More advanced features such as macros, pivot tables or add-ins are not included.
- Powerpoint, which is included in full paid for version is not available in this version.
- Easy upgrade to the full version. You simply purchase a key card.

What we say:

If you've used Works before and got by then you'll like Office 2010 Starter Edition. It's fine for typing letters and creating simple spread sheets which for some home users will perfectly adequate. We don't recommend it for business use because it lacks the functionality and time saving tools of the full version.

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