



**ZERO
DOLLAR
LAPTOP**

Workshop 2

DIY or DIWO (Doing It With Others)?

Overview - what this workshop covers

Getting Help, Sharing Knowledge, Technical Forums, Basic Hardware Maintenance

Date: 28 Jan 2010	Time: 2.00pm-5.00pm
Context: A tour of the installed Linux operating system, how to get help on-line. De-mystifying what is inside a laptop computer. Sharing the process with others through the blog.	Learning Objectives: Participants will learn about the basics of a Linux file system, about on-line technical forums and basic hardware maintenance. Learn how to take documentary photos prepare them for the web within GIMP.and upload them to the blog.
Notes: If a participant is particularly interested in hardware they can continue to investigate it with help from a tutor in later sessions.	Resources: Fact sheets (supplied by tutor) containing technical notes, technical hardware diagrams and forum websites. Fact sheets (supplied by tutor) about preparing images for the web and uploading them to the blog.

Conclusion - what this workshop will teach us to do

- Participants will learn about the file system tree and why the tree works so well.
- They will be guided around on-line forums so that they can get help themselves at a later date if they have technical problems.
- Participants will take the back off their laptop and take a tour of the inside with printed technical diagrams to help them navigate. Pieces of hardware will be removed and replaced e.g. RAM.
- Think about how to share their learning. Document their process with photos. Make diagrams of their own laptop innards.
- Photograph and save images for web within GIMP and upload them to the blog.