

IT Essentials 5.0

5.3.2.22 Lab - Managing Device Drivers with Device Manager in Windows XP

Introduction

Print and complete this lab.

In this lab, you will use Windows Device Manager to gather information about different drivers and learn how Device Manager manages drivers.

Recommended Equipment

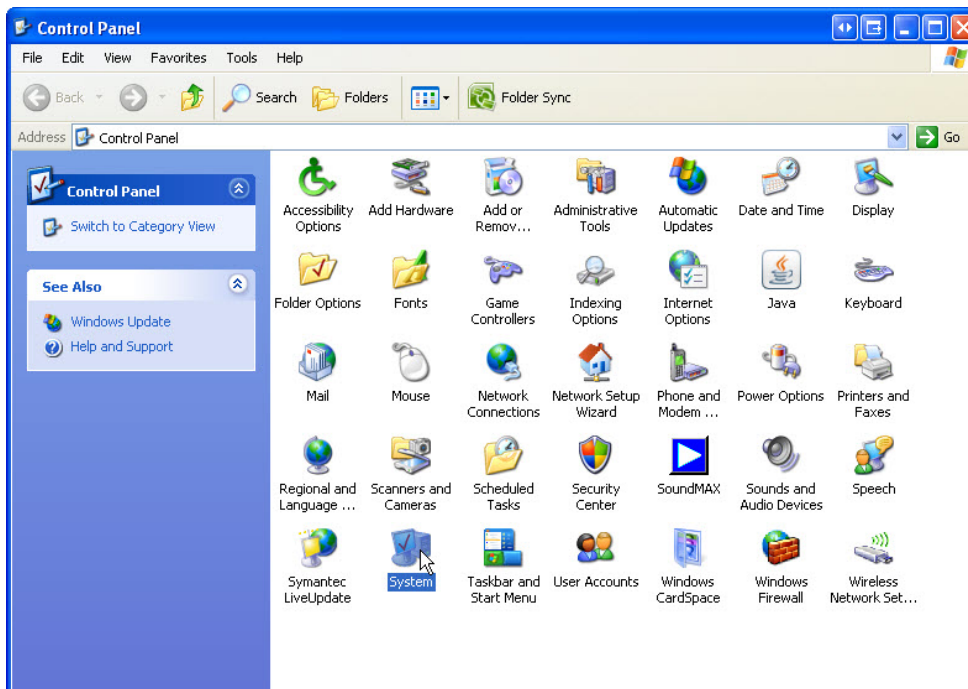
The following equipment is required for this exercise:

- A computer running Windows XP Professional

Step 1

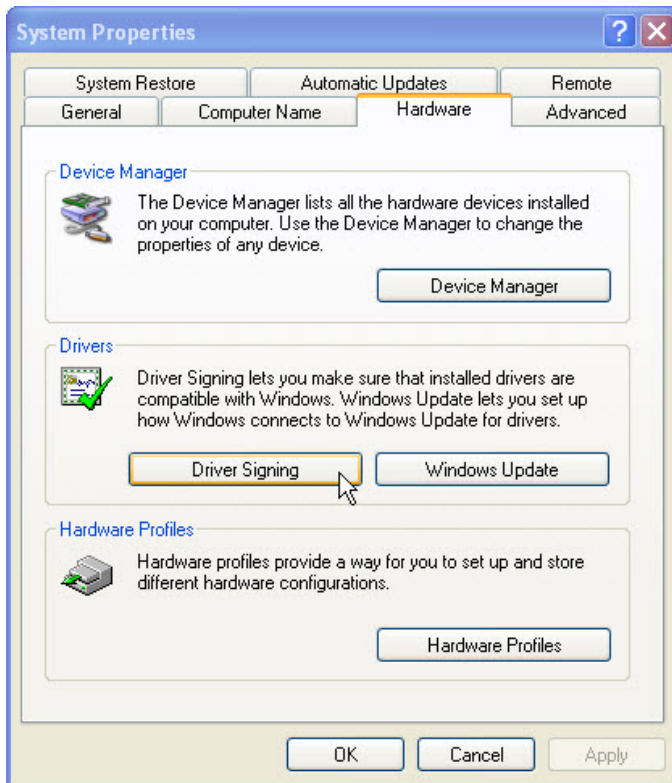
Log on to the computer as an administrator.

Click **Start > Control Panel >** double-click the **System** icon.

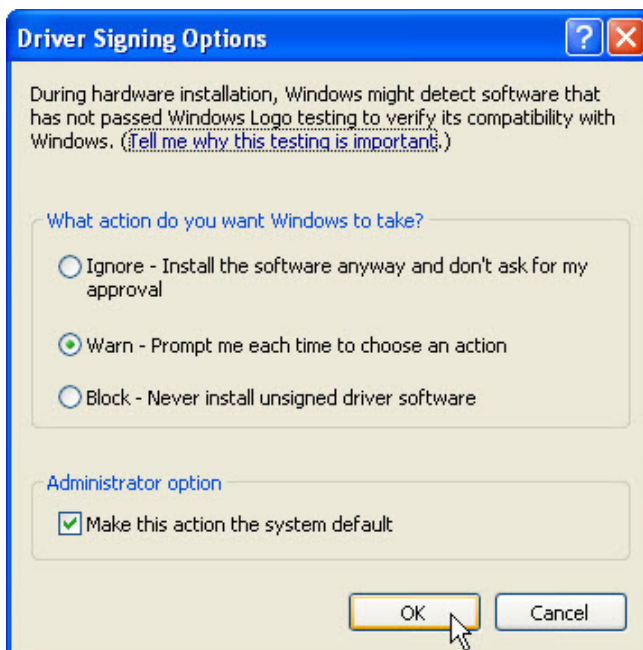


Step 2

The “System Properties” window opens.



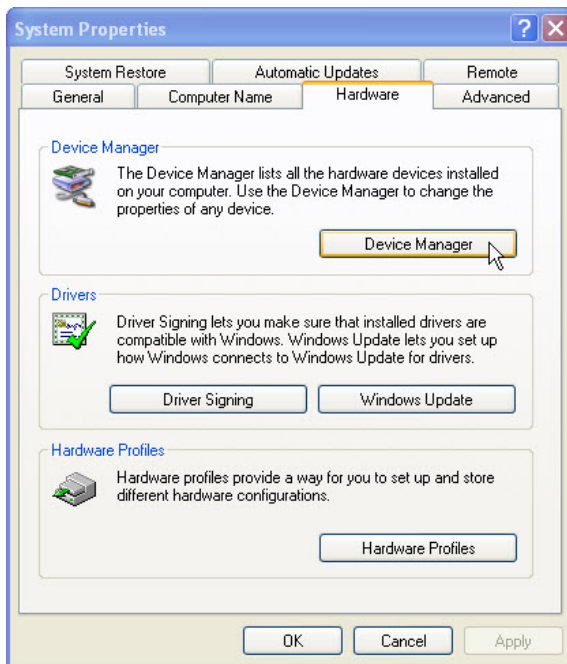
Click the **Hardware** tab > **Driver Signing** button.



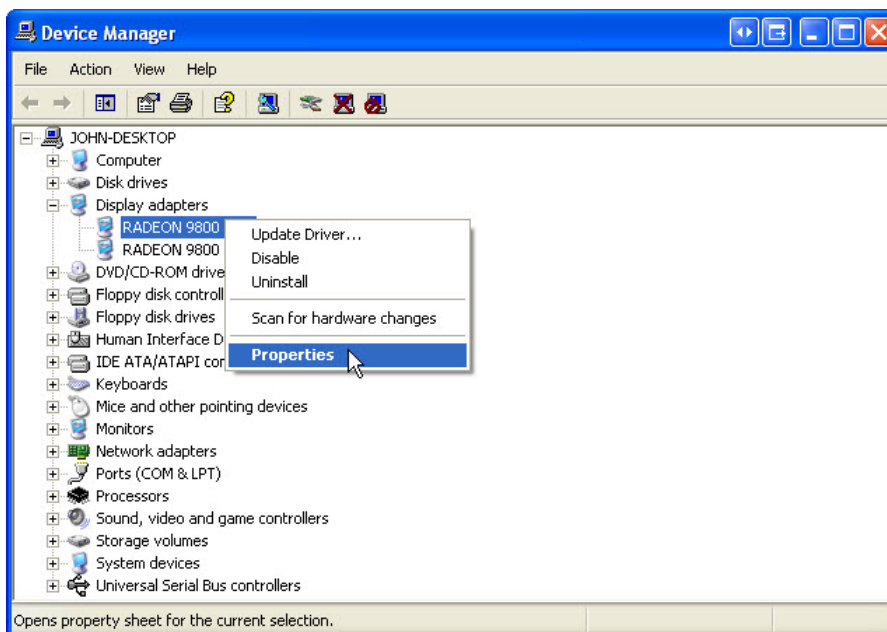
Accept the default setting and click **OK**.

Step 3

Click the **Device Manager** button.



The “Device Manager” window opens.



Select the **plus sign** next to “Display adapter” icon. Right-click the adapter name and select **Properties**.

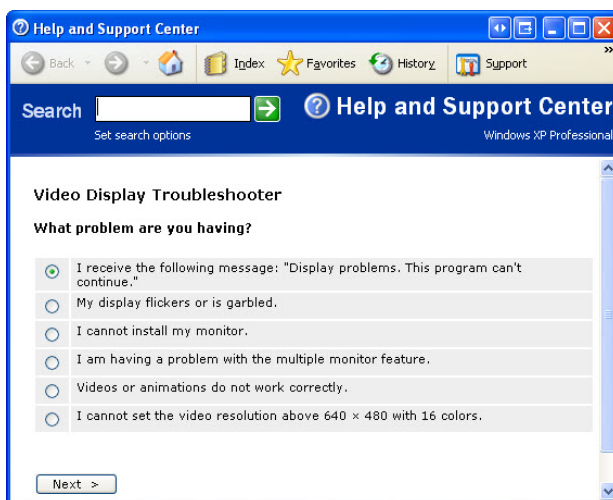
Step 4

The “Display adapters Properties” window opens.



What information is displayed under the General tab?

Click the **Troubleshoot ...** button.

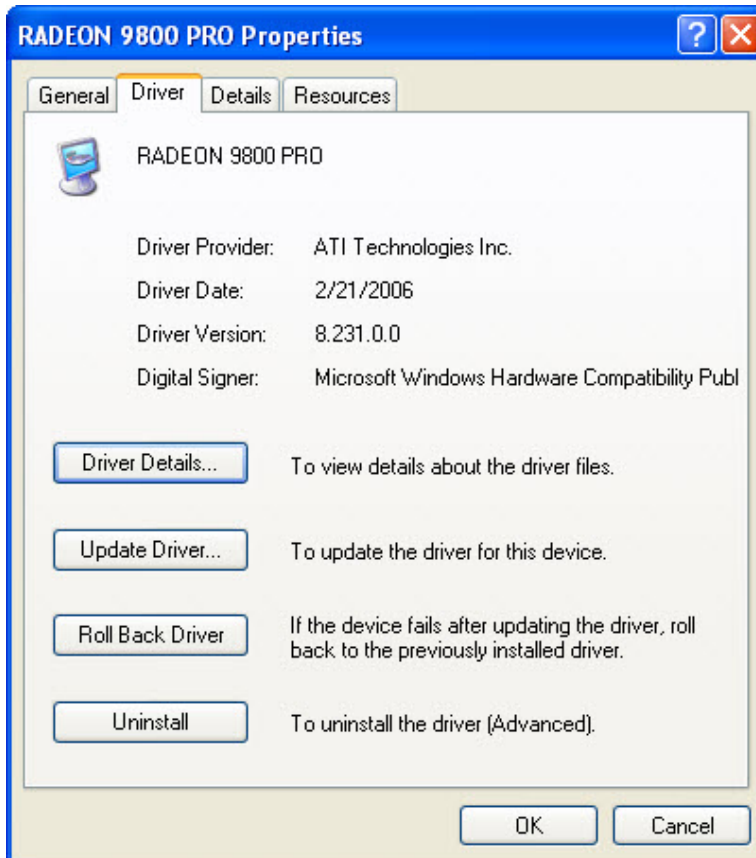


What window opens?

Close the “Help and support center” window.

Step 5

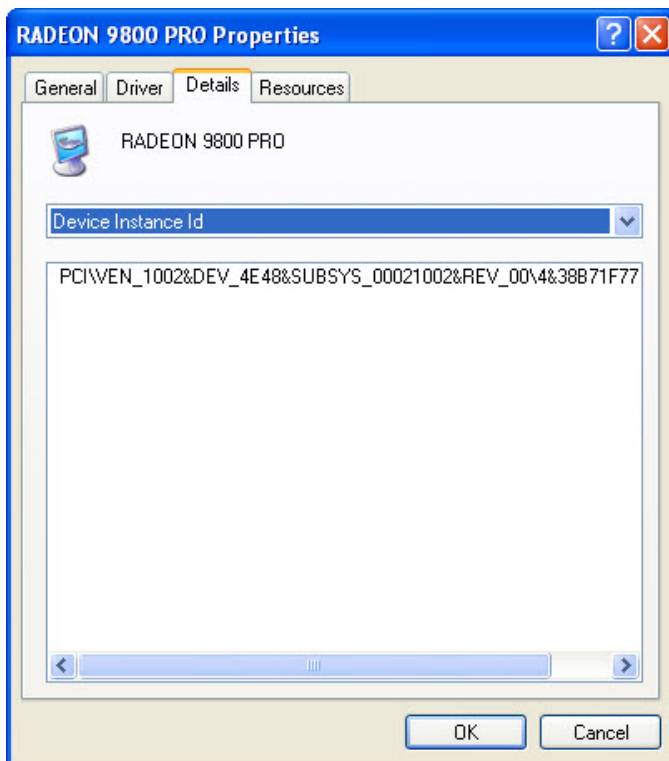
Click the **Driver** tab.



What functions can you accomplish from this page?

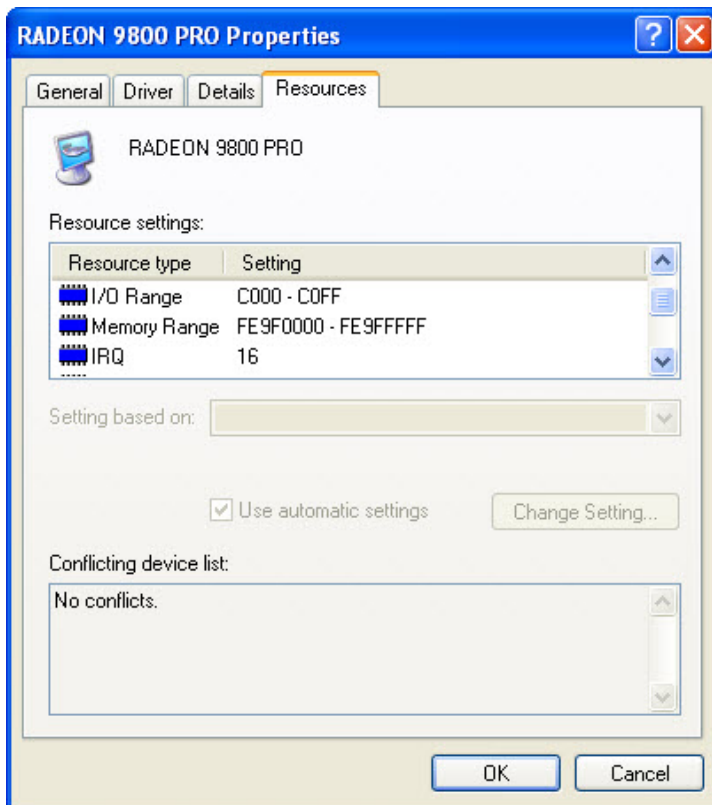
Step 6

Click the **Details** tab. This tab provides more details about the hardware.



Step 7

Click the **Resources** tab.

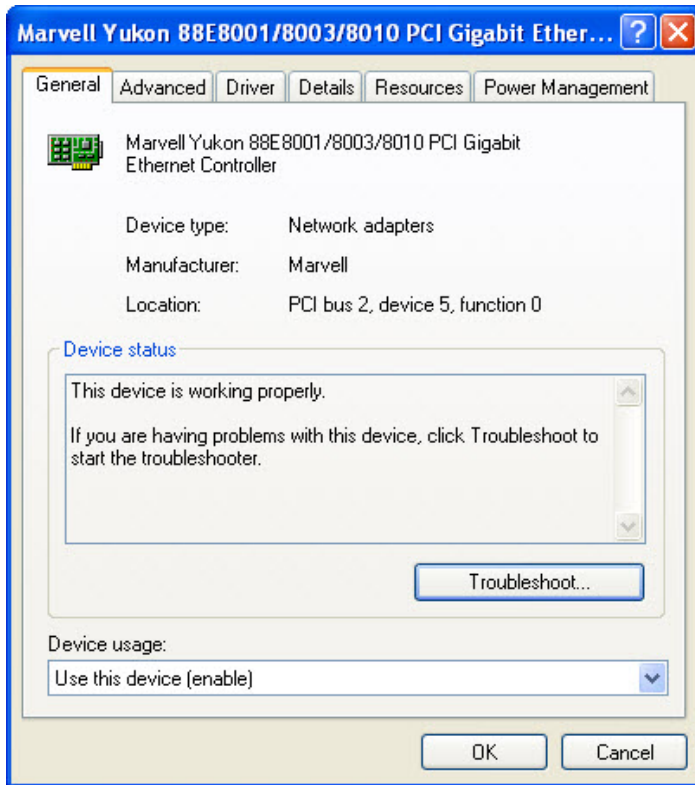


What information is displayed under the Resources tab?

Close the "Display adapters Properties" windows, click **Cancel**.

Step 8

Navigate to the "Network adapter Properties" window" by selecting the **plus sign** next to Network adapter > right-click the adapter name > select **Properties**.



Which tabs are available?

Are there any extra tabs compared to the display adapter?

What is the purpose of the extra tabs?

Close the "Network adapters Properties" windows, click **Cancel**.

Close all windows and log off.