

IT Essentials 5.0

6.3.2.7 Lab - Configure a NIC to Use DHCP in Windows 7

Introduction

Print and complete this lab.

In this lab, you will configure an Ethernet NIC to use DHCP to obtain an IP address and test connectivity between 2 computers.

Recommended Equipment

- Linksys E2500 router
- Two computers running Window 7
- Ethernet patch cables

Step 1

For Host A, plug one end of the Ethernet patch cable into "Port 1" on the back of the router.

For Host A, plug the other end of the Ethernet patch cable into the network port on the NIC in your computer.

For Host B, plug one end of the Ethernet patch cable into "Port 2" on the back of the router.

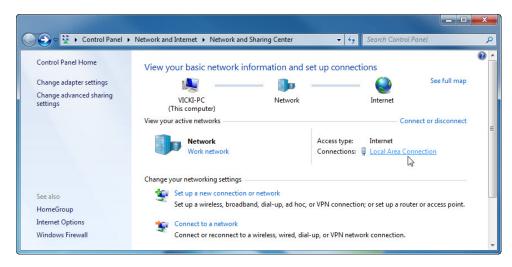
For Host B, plug the other end of the Ethernet patch cable into the network port on the NIC in your computer.

Plug in the power cable of the router if it is not already plugged in.

Turn on both computers and log on to Windows in Host A as an administrator.

Click Start > Control Panel > Network and Sharing Center.

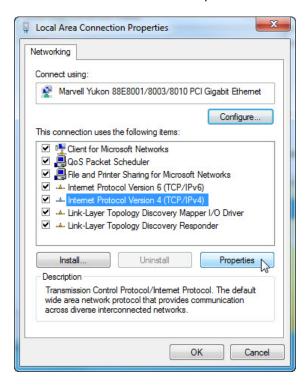
The "Network and Sharing Center" window opens.



Step 2

Click Local Area Connection > Properties.

The "Local Area Connection Properties" window appears.



What is the name and model number of the NIC in the "Connect using:" field?

What are the items listed in the "This connection uses the following items:" field?

Step 3

Select Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) > Properties.

The "Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) Properties" window opens.

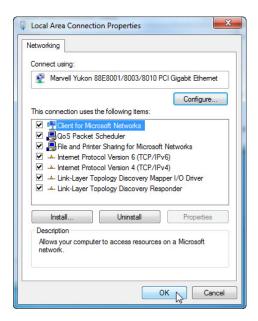


What is listed for the IP address, Subnet mask, and Default gateway in the fields of the "Use the following IP address:" area?

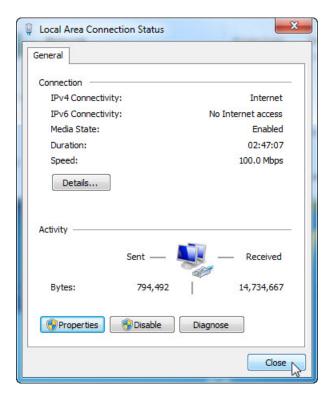
Select the Obtain an IP address automatically radio button, if it is not already selected.

Select the Obtain DNS server address automatically radio button, if it is not already selected.

Click **OK** to close the "Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) Properties" window.



Click **OK** to close the "Local Area Connection Properties" window.



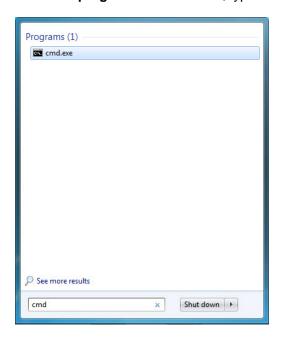
Click Close to close the "Local Area Connection Status" window.

Step 4

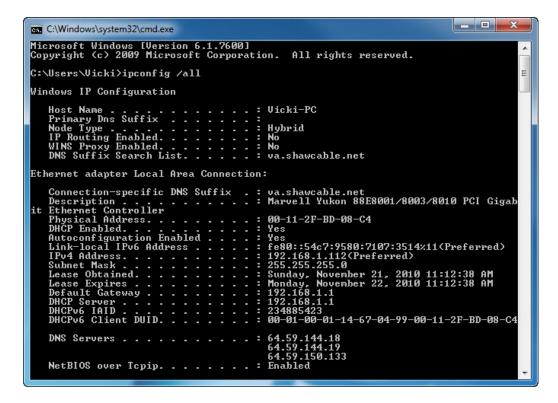
Check the lights on the back of the NIC. These lights will blink when there is network activity.

Click Start.

In Search programs and files box, type cmd and press Enter to open a command window.



Type ipconfig /all, and then press the Enter key.



What is the IP address of the computer?

What is the subnet mask of the computer?

What is the default gateway of the computer?

What are the DNS servers for the computer?

What is the MAC address of the computer?

Is DHCP enabled?

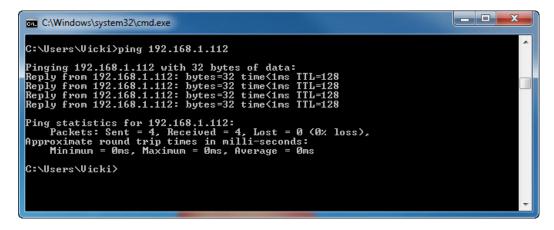
What is the IP address of the DHCP server?

On what date was the Lease Obtained?

On what date does the Lease Expire?

Step 5

Type ping your IP address. For example, ping 192.168.1.112.



Record one of the replies from your ping command.

If the ping was not successful, ask the instructor for assistance.

Step 6

Log in to Host B as an administrator and ensure the **Obtain an IP address automatically** and the **Obtain DNS server address automatically** radio buttons are selected.

Click OK > OK.

Open a command window.

Type ipconfig /all.

What is the IP address of the computer?

What is the subnet mask of the computer?

What is the default gateway of the computer?

What are the DNS servers for the computer?

What is the IP address of the DHCP server?

Step 7

Select the radio buttons Use the following IP address and Use the following DNS server address.

Enter in the IP address information for the NIC from the previous step.

Click OK > OK.

Open the command window.

Type ping IP address for Host B.

If the ping was not successful, ask the instructor for assistance.

Step 8

From Host B, type **ping** IP address for Host A.

Was the ping successful?

From Host A type **ping** *IP* address for Host B.

Was the ping successful?

Step 9

Return configurations to the settings at the start of the lab, unless stated otherwise by the instructor.

Set the NIC to Obtain an IP address automatically and Obtain DNS server address automatically.

Click OK > OK.