IT Essentials 5.0 6.8.3.15 Lab - Test the Wireless NIC in Windows Vista

Introduction

Print and complete this lab.

In this lab, you will check the status of your wireless connection, investigate the availability of wireless networks, and test connectivity.

Recommended Equipment

- A computer with Windows Vista installed
- A wireless NIC installed
- An Ethernet NIC installed
- Linksys E2500 Wireless Router
- Internet connectivity

Step 1

Disconnect the Ethernet cable from your computer.

A red "X" appears over the "Local Area Connection" icon.



Connect to a wireless network.

Hover over the "Wireless Network Connection" icon in the tray.

What is the name of the wireless connection?



Open a command window.

Ping 127.0.0.1.

C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe	_ _ ×
C:>>ping 127.0.0.1	_
Pinging 127.0.0.1 with 32 bytes of data: Reply from 127.0.0.1: bytes=32 time=9ms TTL=128 Reply from 127.0.0.1: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128 Reply from 127.0.0.1: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128 Reply from 127.0.0.1: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=128	
Ping statistics for 127.0.0.1: Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss), Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds: Minimum = Oms, Maximum = 9ms, Average = 2ms	
C:\>_	

How many Replies did you receive?

Use the **ipconfig** command.



What is the IP address of the default gateway?

Ping the default gateway.



A successful ping indicates that there is a connection between the computer and the default gateway.



Type net view.

List the computer names that are displayed.

If you have an external connection, try the following commands.

Use the **tracert** command along with your schools Web site or the Cisco Networking Academy Web site. Example: type **tracert www.netacad.net**.

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27	37	ns	38	ms	38	ns	rcdn9-cd1-isp-gw1-ten0-0-0.cisco.com [?2.163.0.6
8 61	38	ns	38	ms	37	ns	rcdn9-sdfc-isp-ssw2-ten1-1.cisco.com [72.163.0.8
9 81	40	ms	37	ms	38	ms	rcdn9-sdfa-isp-ssw1-vla851.cisco.com [72.163.0.9
10	38	ns	36	ms	38	ms	rcdn9-cd1-isp-gw1-ten0-1-0.cisco.com [?2.163.0.8
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12 13	48 38	ns ns	48 38	ms ms	49 38	MS MS	vlan60.cswi.Dallas1.Level3.net [4.69.145.62] ae-63-63.ebr3.Dallas1.Level3.net [4.69.151.134]
14 15	57 71	ns ns	58 71	ms ms	58 71	ns ns	ae-7-7.ebr3.Atlanta2.Level3.net [4.69.134.22] ae-2-2.ebr1.Washington1.Level3.net [4.69.132.86]
16	72	ns	85	ns	77	ms	ae-91-91.csw4.Washington1.Level3.net [4.69.134.1
17	166	ns	150	ms	71	ms	ae-4-90.edge2.Washington1.Level3.net [4.69.149.2
18	164	ns	75	ms	140	ns	AMAZON.COM.edge2.Washington1.Level3.net [4.79.22
19 20	134 76	ns ns	76 75	ms ms	75 78	ns ns	72.21.220.157 205.251.245.63

What IP address was returned?

Use the nslookup command with the IP address you just discovered.



Type nslookup 72.163.6.233.

What name was returned?

Step 2

Open a web browser.

Type **www.cisco.com** in the "Address" field, and then press **Enter**.



Step 3

Open the Network Connections window.



Right-click the Wireless Network Connection icon > Status.

General			
Connection			
IPv4 Connectiv	ity:		Internet
IPv6 Connectiv	ity:		Limited
Media State:			Enabled
SSID:			BlackBear
Duration:			22:08:44
Speed:			54.0 Mbps
Signal Quality:			lltee
Details	Wireless Pro	perties	
Activity			
	Sent —	. –	Received
Bytes:	11,053	-am	27,088
Properties	🕐 Disable	Diagnose	
			Close

The "Wireless Network Connection Status" window opens.

Click Close.

Right-click the wireless connection and select Connect / Disconnect.

Select All from the Show drop-down menu.

Click the **Refresh** button.

Disconnect or connect to and	other network	
Show All	Connected	-++
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Set up a connection or network Open Network and Sharing Center		
		Disconnect Cancel

What are the names of the wireless networks that are available?