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Nadiatul and the net

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This is: Nadiatul Akmal bt Man

From: Ipoh, Perak

She is: 14 years old

And studies at: Methodist Girls' Secondary School, Ipoh.

She first surfed the Net: 2 years ago

And found it: Exciting. "I mean who wouldn't? To get connected to the world. WOW!

Her personal opinion about the WWW: "...I think that it is very good as it has millions of Web pages all over the world to help me, as a student, to find any information that I need.

Her interest in computers began when: "I used to tag along with my mother to her office and watch her doing her work on the computer. I was fascinated with the machine and the many things it could achieve. I proceeded to learn how to use it.

With regards to her computer abilities she says: "Yeah I'm into web development and am learning to create a homepage of my own.

Her other hobbies include: rollerblading, reading, hanging out with friends, surfing the Net, playing games, cycling and partying.

Three things that disappoint her about this world are: environmental pollution, war and the rape of our forest reserves.

Her ambition is: to be an environmentalist.

Nadiatul is one of the applicants to the Microsoft-NST Young Programmers Club (MyPC). The club was launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mahathir Mohamad and Microsoft Corporation chairman and chief executive officer, Bill Gates, last month.

The club is part of an initiative to discover and nurture young programming talent in Malaysia. Those interested in joining this club may obtain the forms from the New Straits Times.

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