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Spy vs Spy: Ad-aware vs Spybot S&D - Page 1

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Internet Explorer's homepage was changed to some weak search engine site; ads every five seconds; my computer takes three times as long to load, a server is tra

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How much RAM in your box?

- 64MB
- 128MB
- 256MB
- 512MB
- 1GB
- 2GB
- >2GB
- <64MB
- RAM?

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website I visit, and this was all done intentionally to show which of the two top spy removal applications is more effective at scanning and detecting malicious objects. [aware](#) and [Spybot S&D](#) (short for Search and Destroy) under Windows 2000 Professional as a virtual pc courtesy of [VMWare Workstation](#). Twenty eight applications known to contain spyware and adware were installed. The components that were installed are listed below with information about their involvement with spyware/adware.

- [Dashbar](#) – A toolbar for internet explorer which redirects searches to paid advert Gator (GAIN).
- [Kazaa](#) - Kazaa Media Desktop contains banner advertising and the option to install applications in order to remain free to the user.
- [Morpheus](#) - StreamCast Networks counts the number of times its file swappers visit shopping sites.
- [Panicware Pop-up Stopper](#) – A pop-up blocker bundled with adware.
- [Aceclub Casino](#) – Contains software to run ads.
- [AceNotes](#) – Personal information manager bundled with adware.
- [Slotch bar](#) – Hijacks your browser by changing settings.
- [XXXtoolbar](#) – Tracks your online activities through cookies.
- [BingoFun](#) - Game which contains adware.
- [BonziBuddy](#) - The infamous BonziBuddy tracks your online activities, collects personal information and is extremely annoying.
- [Silver Surfer](#) - Will simulate mouse movement and keystrokes, attaching to MSIE
- [CashToolbar](#) - CashToolbar consists of an IE toolbar containing links and search functions, spawns advertisements, and a process started with Windows to download updates
- [ClipGenie](#) – Contains adware.
- [Download Accelerator Plus](#) - Changes browser settings other than homepage, without user permission. Displays popup/popunder ads that cannot be closed by clicking a 'close' button in the upper right of the frame.
- [EBay Toolbar](#) – Contains adware.
- [ezSearchBar](#) – Makes changes to browser without user's permission.
- [Findit Quick BrowserAid](#) – Displays popup ads.
- [Hotbar](#) - It monitors all URLs you visit to add link buttons to its toolbar depending on the sites you are visiting.
- [OnWebMedia](#) – Delivers ads to the computer.
- [DailyWinner Prize Bar](#) – Changes homepage and monitors internet activity.
- [Xtractor Plus](#) - Displays ads. Causes browser popups. Tracks web usage. Collects

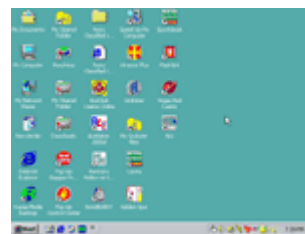
warning:

- [SaveNow](#) – Monitors your online activities.
- [Grokster](#) - Installs numerous other products, including Active Delivery, CasinoOn CommonName, Cydoor, DelFin Media Viewer, DownloadWare, eAcceleration, eUniv FlashTrack, Gator, IGetNet, IGetNet/ClearSearch, IncrediFind, IPInsight, Look2Me, NetworkEssentials, NetworkEssentials/SCBar, PeopleOnPage, RVP, SAHAgent, Sea SearchEnhancement, TOPicks, VX2/e, VX2/f, and Webhancer.
- [FlashGet](#) – Tracks online activities.
- [WebDownloader](#) - Silently downloads designated file from WWW to victim's mach
- [LinkGrabber 99](#) – Contains adware.
- [ProfitZone](#) - Poorly functioning attempt to hijack your browser will likely just wre desktop.
- [ToonComics](#) – Contains adware.

Many other ActiveX components were installed from malicious sites. In addition, m cookies which track online activities. Below is a screenshot of Internet Explorer wit visible and one of the desktop which reveals many of the programs that were insta is my sister's computer once looked like this.



Toolbars running on Internet Explorer



Desktop

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IBM, Sharp Bri
33 Deal puts Ram

In Multiple Flavors!!!!

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