

"Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day; teach a man to fish and he will eat for a lifetime."



# Catch of the Day



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## eBay Tips

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Maybe you've seen eBay's "IT" ad campaign on TV: "Whatever IT is, you can get it on eBay." The more I talk to eBay users, the more I believe that's true. If you're new to eBay, try the following tips to improve your buying and selling.

**"Snipe" auctions.** If you're buying on eBay, it pays to be watching your auction in the last few minutes. If you're quick enough, you can sneak in your winning bid even seconds before the auction ends — and before anyone else has a chance to outbid you. This is called "sniping," and can be a lot of fun!

**Photograph, photograph, photograph.** If you're selling items, people will be more likely to buy them if you provide good pictures. You don't need a fancy camera; just make sure your photo is well lit and well composed. Is it big enough? Does it show enough detail? Is the color accurate? Think about what you would want to see if you were the buyer.

**Use PayPal for sending money and accepting payments.** Some people use checks and money orders exclusively on eBay either because they think PayPal is too much trouble, or because they're scared of doing something different than what they're used to. Not only is PayPal easy to use, but it's safe, protecting both buyers and sellers in ways other payment options can't.

Happy Bidding!

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### Service Spotlight: Internet Radio

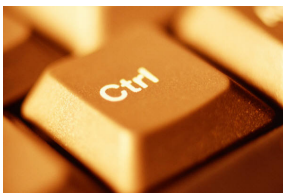


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## Shortcut of the Month (brought to you by the letter ...)



Increase efficiency with keyboard shortcuts!

### The Context Key (or Shift-F10)

Maybe you know about the Windows key (⊞), which opens the Start Menu in Windows. There's also a *context key*, which emulates a right-click with the mouse. This key is usually marked by a menu with an arrow. This brings up a *context menu*, which gives you a list of options that relate to the item you have selected or clicked on. You can also use **Shift-F10** to access this function. (Illustration courtesy of LifeHacker.com)



## The Random Resource

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