



## On-the-go gadgets for work, pleasure

**T**his summer, I'm finding myself on the go more than ever. Being able to get the work done is a never-ending challenge. This month, I review four products that can help you balance work with some fun in the sun:



### LaCie iamaKey USB Flash Drive |

[www.lacie.com](http://www.lacie.com)

Are you sick of running back into the office for those revenue numbers or the latest sales presentation? Never be without your critical data with the new iamaKey USB Flash Drive from LaCie. Finally, someone has created an 8 GB flash drive in the form of a standard car or house key. Its sturdy metal design is both water- and scratch-resistant. Lacking the right data is a thing of the past — as long as you have overcome that bad habit of losing your keys and locking yourself out.

### Plantronics Voyager Pro | [www.plantronics.com](http://www.plantronics.com)

There is a lot to be excited about with the new Bluetooth headset from Plantronics. The Voyager Pro employs two noise-canceling microphones, adaptive equalizers, and three layers of WindSmart technology to bring you crystal-clear voice, even in the stiffest wind. With six hours of talk time and five days of standby, this headset lets your office go anywhere you go. (Even conference calls while golfing can be a “give me.”)

### Amazon Kindle 2 | [www.amazon.com/kindle2](http://www.amazon.com/kindle2)

I can never find enough time to catch up on my reading. Amazon's Kindle 2 is a perfect solution for people on the go. This second version of Amazon's wireless reading device can hold up to 1,500 books and can download new books in less than 60 seconds using a built-in 3G wireless Internet connection.



What really makes the Kindle 2 special is the Read-to-Me feature, allowing you to listen to your books in the car or while working.

Basic Web browsing and the ability to listen to music and podcasts means you have a knowledge tool designed to keep you informed while on the road. Doesn't the ability to research and e-mail from behind home plate at a baseball game sound like heaven?

### Acer X233Hbid 23-in. Widescreen LCD Monitor | [www.acer.com](http://www.acer.com)

I've long been a fan of large monitors. Their productivity benefits have been documented for years. But the stumbling block for most people has been the high price tags. With this new LCD monitor, Acer has removed all of the excuses. The X233Hbid 23-in. LCD boasts full HDTV (1920x1080) resolution, and can be found online for close to \$200.

While it's not a mobile solution, this monitor just might be able to help you get your work done early, so that leaving the office while the sun is still shining is a definite possibility.

Getting the job done, on time and under budget, is a matter of using the right tools. Hopefully, these tools can energize your work life while giving you more time and toys to explore and enjoy summer.

