

# Technology In Our Lives

## The Pen For The 21st Century

(NAPSA)—It happens all the time: you jot down a reminder on a slip of paper, only to forget what became of the slip of paper. Perhaps a sticky note fell off a report you gave to a co-worker. The hundreds of little jottings we make every day aren't backed up, tracked or recorded, and if they disappear, they're gone—and no one may ever know.

Now there are new electronic writing systems that let you make handwriting an effective tool for the digital world without changing the way you work. New tools such as digital pens let you avoid losing anything handwritten with electronic copies, find handwritten information quickly by using indexing and searching on your PC, have your handwritten notes available anywhere, even on the road, save hand drawn sketches and drawings from paper to your PC without scanning and more.

"It's an interesting way to take notes," says one user of the new technology, Fremont, Calif. high school student Alison Stambaugh. "My teacher thought it was pretty cool."

Alison is using the new Logitech io Personal Digital Pen, which is said to write as well as any ballpoint while also permanently recording all your ideas, sketches, and notes in digital form on your PC.

Simply write on the page, and



**New digital pen technology makes it easy to record and store notes and diagrams.**

the optical sensor under the ballpoint establishes the exact location of the text, like the sensor in an optical mouse. Once you return to your PC, simply dock the pen in the provided docking station and your handwritten text or sketches are transferred to your computer. They can then be filed for future reference or sent as an e-mail. Learning to use it is easy—it requires only the same penmanship skills you learned in elementary school.

Available accessories include pages enhanced for a digital pen, including blank, lined and graph paper.

The Logitech io is available at all CompUSA and FranklinCovey stores in the United States, and select Staples locations. For more information, visit [www.logitech.io.com](http://www.logitech.io.com).