

**Free Substitutes for Brand Name Programs**  
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APPLICATION	BRAND NAME <sup>1</sup>	FREWARE SUBSTITUTE	LINK
<b>Appointments</b>	Microsoft Outlook	Lightning (add-on for Thunderbird)	<a href="http://www.mozilla.org/projects/calendar/">http://www.mozilla.org/projects/calendar/</a>
<b>Appointments</b>	Microsoft Outlook	Sunbird (stand alone)	<a href="http://www.mozilla.org/projects/calendar/">http://www.mozilla.org/projects/calendar/</a>
<b>Browser</b>	Microsoft Internet Explorer	Firefox	<a href="http://www.mozilla.com/firefox/">http://www.mozilla.com/firefox/</a>
<b>E-mail client</b>	Microsoft Outlook	Thunderbird	<a href="http://www.mozilla.com/thunderbird/">http://www.mozilla.com/thunderbird/</a>
<b>Graphics for kids</b>	Microsoft Paint	Tux Paint	<a href="http://www.newbreedsoftware.com/tuxpaint/">http://www.newbreedsoftware.com/tuxpaint/</a>
<b>Illustration</b>	Adobe Illustrator, Corel Draw	Inkscape	<a href="http://www.inkscape.org/">http://www.inkscape.org/</a>
<b>Office functions</b>	Microsoft Office	Open Office <sup>2</sup>	<a href="http://download.openoffice.org/">http://download.openoffice.org/</a>
<b>PDF creation</b>	Adobe Acrobat	PDF Creator	<a href="http://sourceforge.net/projects/pdfcreator/">http://sourceforge.net/projects/pdfcreator/</a>
<b>Photo editing</b>	Adobe Photoshop	GIMP	<a href="http://www.gimp.org/">http://www.gimp.org/</a>
<b>Publishing</b>	Adobe Quark	Scribus	<a href="http://www.scribus.net/">http://www.scribus.net/</a>
<b>Video editing</b>	Adobe Premier	Avidemux	<a href="http://avidemux.sourceforge.net/">http://avidemux.sourceforge.net/</a>
<b>Web design</b>	Adobe Dreamweaver, Microsoft FrontPage	Nvu	<a href="http://www.nvu.com/">http://www.nvu.com/</a>

**Notes:**

1. Examples of branded software packages.
2. Includes word processor, spreadsheet, presentation, and database software compatible with Microsoft standard file formats (e.g., doc, xls).

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Freeware may be right for you in some situations. Why use freeware?

1. You need to perform functions like those provided by brand name applications.
2. The brand name package is too expensive for your budget.
3. You are not a professional user.
4. Full file compatibility is not necessary (many packages are file compatible so check the website if this is important).
5. You are willing to accept limited help resources.
6. You are willing to put up with annoyances, quirks, and limitations, but also enjoy a possibly better user interface than the brand name package offers.