Subject: Re: OT: The iPod has been smashed Posted by Crimson on Wed, 02 Nov 2005 07:38:10 GMT

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I can certainly admit there are things cheaper than Apple products, but it's difficult to want to when Apple stuff just plain WORKS. I bought two Airport Expresses for my house because they just WORK. You plug them in, configure them (which takes about 2 minutes), and they just WORK. I use them for Airtunes... you can go to any computer in my house, load iTunes, and immediately stream music to either one of the Airports. And it just WORKS. I never have to fiddle with them, reboot them, or anything. No funky adapters to play with, no dealing with network issues. It found my network and used it without complaint.

Same with my shuffle. I plug it into USB, start up iTunes, and drag and drop files to it. Or I can have pre-configured playlists or automatically-generating Smart playlists to get the songs I want onto it. Then I go in my car, switch to "Aux" mode on my sound system, plug the headphone jack via headphone-to-RCA convertor cable to my car's RCA inputs, turn it on, press play, and I'm done.

I mean, there's plenty of choice out there but the Apple stuff just works without hassle and that's worth extra bucks to me.