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Sanyo Xacti can shoot stills while filming)

While recording video, you can snap photos without pausing with Sanyo's Xacti DMX-CG9 digital camcorder. It can capture 9.1-megapixel snapshots and TV video at 60 frames per second. When capturing a still photo, the camera automatically finds and focus on up to 12 faces in a scene. It has 40 megabytes of memory, a 5x optical zoom, a 2.5-inch color display and a slot for a Secure Digital or Secure Digital High Capacity memory card. It goes on sale in April for \$280.

Adapter helps create external storage

The NewerTech USB 2.0 Universal Drive Adapter can extend the lives of old computer hard drives. To transfer data, connect the adapter directly to a hard drive and to a USB port on a computer. While the transfer takes place, you can monitor the action on the adapter's LED lights. The adapter works with major hard drive brands, optical drive brands and removable media drives, such as lomega Zip. It costs \$30.

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