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DURABOOK - as in durable
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We here at **Mile High Tech** often get pitches about a product's attributes, which sends us searching for information about the gadget online or in print.

On some occasions, we get a review unit to test for a while. And in this case, I was tempted to drop the product, maybe even spill some coffee on it.

After all, the folks at **DURABOOK** say their laptop is up to that test.

I didn't toss the unit on my driveway or send it through the dishwasher. I did allow my young boys to test-drive it, though - they love to look at pictures of volcanoes and construction equipment, and that can mean plenty of fingerprints and other messes on the keyboard.



DURABOOK passed that test. It also gets an "A" from me when it comes to setup and ease of use.

My review unit came loaded with **Vista Business** software. I've tested several Vista-loaded units this year, and my No. 1 complaint is that they're finicky (or just won't connect) when it comes to finding my wireless home network.

The DURABOOK not only found the network right away, it worked with a wireless mouse immediately when I plugged into the USB device - there was no need to load any software.

My test unit had a 14.1-inch screen with a **DVD Super Multi** optical drive and 1GB of memory, a 100GB hard disk and an Intel GMA950 graphics card. It retails for around \$1,400.

Check it out at durabook.com

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