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Subject: Where do self builders get their parts from?  
Posted by [JiminyCricket](#) on Mon, 02 Aug 2010 13:32:10 GMT

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Do people scout around garage sales and recycle shops for equipment they can strip down and use, like people do for car parts in junkyards? Or are there specialist places to order from?

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Subject: Re: Where do self builders get their parts from?  
Posted by [Adveser](#) on Mon, 02 Aug 2010 21:47:42 GMT

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There are huge phonebook sized catalogs with everything in them as well as online shops that sell everything.

But yeah, If I NEED a cheap a pre-amp on the double, why not buy a cheap AVC receiver from the pawn shop and simply remove it. Those things typically have convenient insulated wires for their I/O.

I've been known to bust a cheap pair of computer speakers apart to steal the amplifier out of them. In that case I leave enough of the wiring that is attached to the PCB so I can twist a new one into place.

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Subject: Re: Where do self builders get their parts from?  
Posted by [BigMacAndCheese](#) on Tue, 10 Aug 2010 06:30:37 GMT

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I'm beginning to see a business opportunity here if I could bear to part with anything I am collecting. I know people who buy old stuff just to re-use certain parts but I need to educate myself on which items are most useful in this sense.

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Subject: Re: Where do self builders get their parts from?  
Posted by [Bohnam](#) on Sat, 02 Oct 2010 15:15:12 GMT

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There could be some money in this, that's for sure. E-bay always has enough of a selection for me to find what I need at a good price.

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Subject: Re: Where do self builders get their parts from?  
Posted by [Danny](#) on Mon, 18 Oct 2010 10:03:16 GMT

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I think a lot of people have to get this part from here, and that one from there, etc. I don't know if

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there is an Ebay store where you could get it all in one spot, but I could be wrong.... Anyway, if not, it could be a good business for someone.

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