Here are even more ways Internet Explorer 8 is taking the competition head-on:

Unfortunately, Microsoft has made some mistakes when writing that table [1]. So, we have to make some corrections. First of all, they forgetten incidentally one competitor - safari 4! No problem, just inserting..

How to read: The corrections are highlighted using shadows. If a symbol is semi-translucent the corresponding browser will not fulfill the feature.

	Ø	9	۲	Ò	Comments
Security	~	4	4	4	Internet Explorer 8 takes the cake with better phis- hing and <u>malware protection</u> , as well as protection from emerging threats. Come on! All browsers have this feature. And IE was not the first
Privacy	~	~	1	1	InPrivate Browsing and InPrivate Filtering help In- ternet Explorer 8 claim privacy victory. Safari, too! Chrome, too! Firefox still only with a plugin [5].
Ease of Use	~	~	~	~	Features like Accelerators, Web Slices and Visual Search Suggestions make Internet Explorer 8 easi- est to use. Without plugins, they can't provide the first both features. That's correct. BUT search suggetion: All browsers have sup- port suggested search inputs. And the IE was not the first one

Web Stan- dards	~	~	~	~	It's a tie. Internet Explorer 8 passes more of the World Wide Web Consortium's CSS 2.1 test cases than any other browser, but Firefox 3 has more support for some evolving standards. No tie! IE8 does not support the latest stan- dards, but the others do! But: The IE8 is the first IE passing the most tests cases ever (comparing IEs). That's great.
Deve- loper Tools	✓	~	~	✓	Of course Internet Explorer 8 wins this one. There's no need to install tools separately, and it offers bet- ter features like JavaScript profiling. Despite that Firefox has *not a good built-in* tool, but they are at addons.mozilla.org. The best available developer tools like Firebug and the WebtoolsDevBar. The WebKit-Tools are built-in and convient, too.
Reliabi- lity	~	~	~	V	Only Internet Explorer 8 has both tab isolation and crash recovery features; Firefox and Chrome have one or the other. Wtf? Because you bundling this features into one shame on you again! In fact, Chrome has tab isolation (first browser ever); Safari has plu- gin isolation (e.g. flash) AND crash recovery; Only Firefox has still built-in crash recovery.
Custo- mizabi- lity	~	✓	✓	~	Sure, Firefox may win in sheer number of add-ons, but many of the customizations you'd want to down- load for Firefox are already a part of Internet Explo- rer 8 – right out of the box. That is only bullshit. Firefox IS the most custo- mizable browser at the moment. All browser have great customizablilty (even safari). But if you want to compare it -> Firefox will win.

Compa- tibility	1	~	~	~	Internet Explorer 8 is more compatible with more sites on the Internet than any other browser. That's is the chicken-or-egg-dilemma. Correct is: IE8 is more compatible than every other IE before. The other stuff is window-dressing. Ye- ah.
Mana- geabili- ty	~	?	?	?	Neither Firefox nor Chrome provide guidance or enterprise tools. That's just not nice. because in your definition only products by MS are enterprise like? Okay, then this is cor- rect.
Perfor- mance		~	4		Knowing the top speed of a car doesn't tell you how fast you can drive in rush hour. To actually see the difference in page loads between all three browsers, you need slow-motion video. This one's also a tie. That is not true. In fact, testing the general usa- ge of browsers show that ie8 is not so slow like its previous versions but is not the winner. No- no Javascript-heavy sites will be important in the future (more than today) and ie8's javascript performance is winning the LAST place. And your memory consumption well done. How do you define performance?

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