

Discovering Computers 2009



Chapter 1 Introduction to Computers

Chapter 1 Objectives

Recognize the importance of
computer literacy

Define the term, computer

Identify the components
of a computer

Discuss the advantages and
disadvantages of using computers

Recognize the purpose of a network

Discuss the uses of the Internet and
World Wide Web

Distinguish between system software
and application software

Describe the categories of computers

Identify the elements of
an information system

Describe the various types
of computer users

Discuss various computer
applications in society

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A World of Computers

What is **computer literacy** (digital literacy)?

- Current knowledge and understanding of computers and their uses
- Computers are everywhere



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What Is a Computer?

How is a **computer** defined?

- Electronic device operating under the control of instructions stored in its own memory

Accepts **data**
Collection of unprocessed items

Processes data into **information**
Conveys meaning and is useful to people

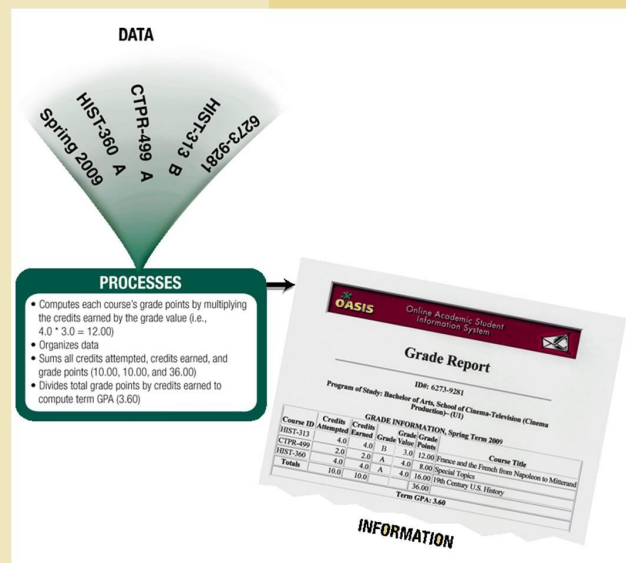
Produces and stores results

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What Is a Computer?

What is the information processing cycle?

- Input
- Process
- Output
- Storage
- Communication



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The Components of a Computer

What is an **input device**?

- **Hardware** used to enter data and instructions



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The Components of a Computer

What is an **output device**?

- Hardware that conveys information to one or more people



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The Components of a Computer

What is the **system unit**?

- Case that contains the electronic components of the computer that are used to process data



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The Components of a Computer

What are two main components on the motherboard?

Processor

Also called a **Central Processing Unit (CPU)**

The electronic component that interprets and carries out the basic instructions that operate the computer

Memory

Consists of electronic components that store instructions waiting to be executed and data needed by those instructions

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The Components of a Computer

What is storage?

- **Holds data, instructions, and information for future use**

Storage media

Physical material on which data, instructions, and information are stored

Storage device

Records and retrieves items to and from storage media

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The Components of a Computer

What is a USB flash drive?

- Portable storage device
- Small and lightweight enough to be transported on a keychain or in a pocket
- The average USB flash drive can hold about 2 billion characters

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The Components of a Computer

What is a hard disk?

- Provides greater storage capacity than a USB flash drive
- Most are housed inside the system unit

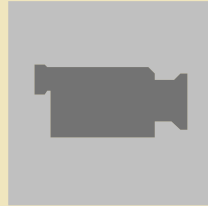


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The Components of a Computer

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The Components of a Computer

What is a compact disc?

- **Flat, round, portable metal disc**
 - CD
 - DVD



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The Components of a Computer

What is a **communications device**?



Hardware component that enables a computer to send and receive data, instructions, and information



Occurs over cables, telephone lines, cellular radio networks, satellites, and other transmission media



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Advantages and Disadvantages of Using Computers

What are the advantages of using computers?



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Advantages and Disadvantages of Using Computers

What are the disadvantages of using computers?



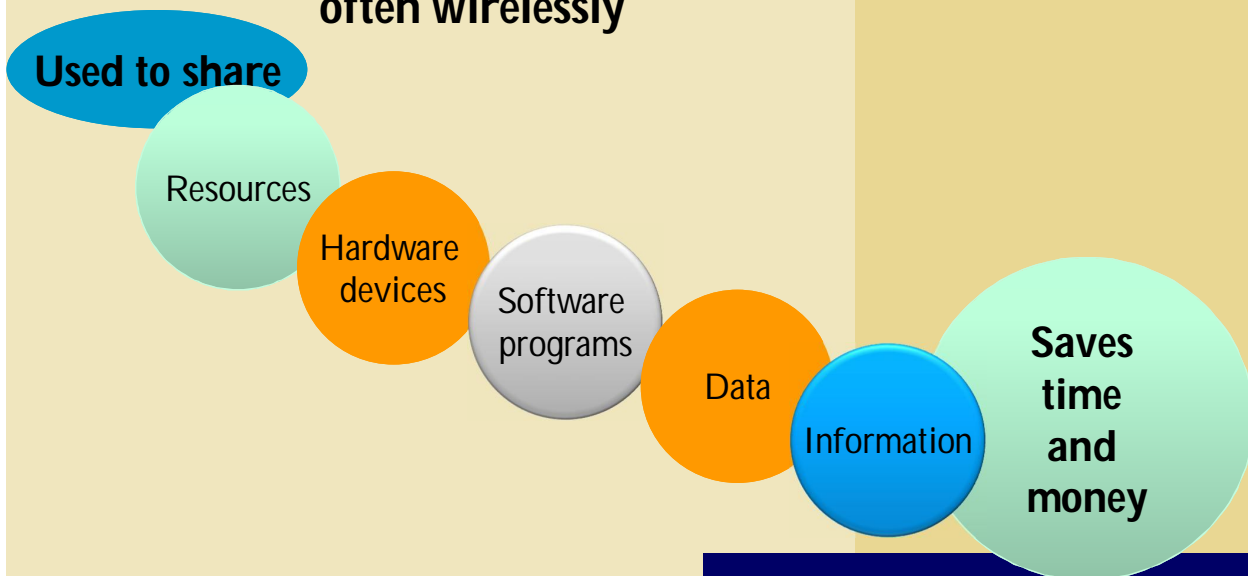
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Networks and the Internet

What is a **network**?

- Collection of computers and devices connected together, often wirelessly



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Networks and the Internet

What is a server?

- A server controls access to resources on a network
- Clients, or workstations, request resources from the server



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Networks and the Internet

What is the **Internet**?

- Worldwide collection of networks that connects millions of businesses, government agencies, educational institutions, and individuals



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Networks and the Internet

Why do users access the Internet?

1. Communications
2. Research and Information
3. Shopping
4. Banking and Investing
5. Classes
6. Entertainment
7. Download Music
8. Share Information



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Networks and the Internet

What is the **Web**?

- Billions of documents, called **Web pages**, available to anyone connected to the Internet

A Web site is a collection of related Web pages

You can share information on a **social networking Web site** or a **photo sharing community**

A **podcast** is recorded audio stored on a Web site that can be downloaded

A **Web page** contains text, graphics, audio, video, and links to other Web pages

A **blog** consists of time-stamped articles in a journal format



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Computer Software

What is **software**?

Consists of a series of instructions that tells the computer what to do and how to do it

Also called a **program**

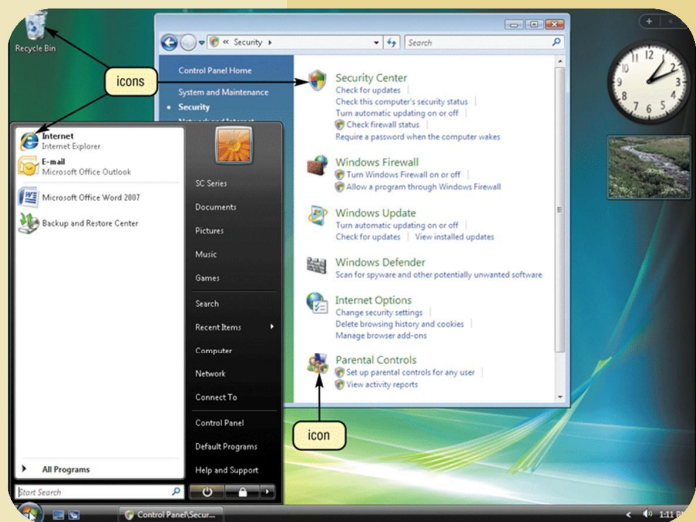
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Computer Software

What is a **graphical user interface (GUI)**?

- Allows you to interact with the software using text, graphics, and visual images such as icons
- Controls how you enter data and instructions and how the screen displays information



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Computer Software

What is **system software**?

- Programs that control or maintain the operations of the computer and its devices

Operating System (OS)

is a set of programs that coordinates all activities among computer hardware devices

Utility Programs allow the user to perform maintenance-type tasks usually related to managing a computer, its devices or its programs



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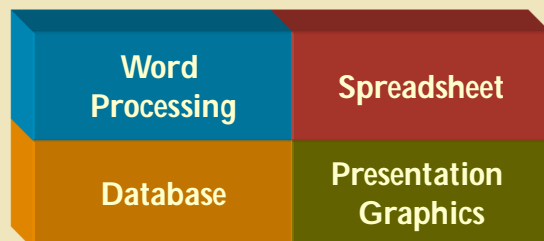
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Computer Software

What is **application software**?

- Programs designed to make users more productive



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Computer Software

How do you **install** and **run** programs?



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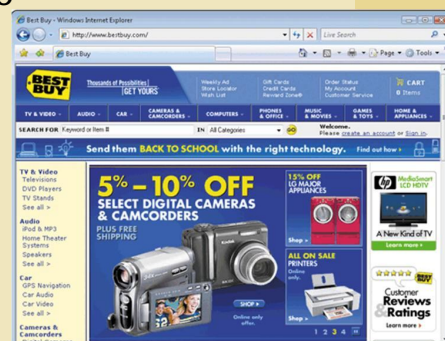
What is a programmer?

➤ Someone who develops software

- Programmer writes the instructions to direct the computer to process data into information

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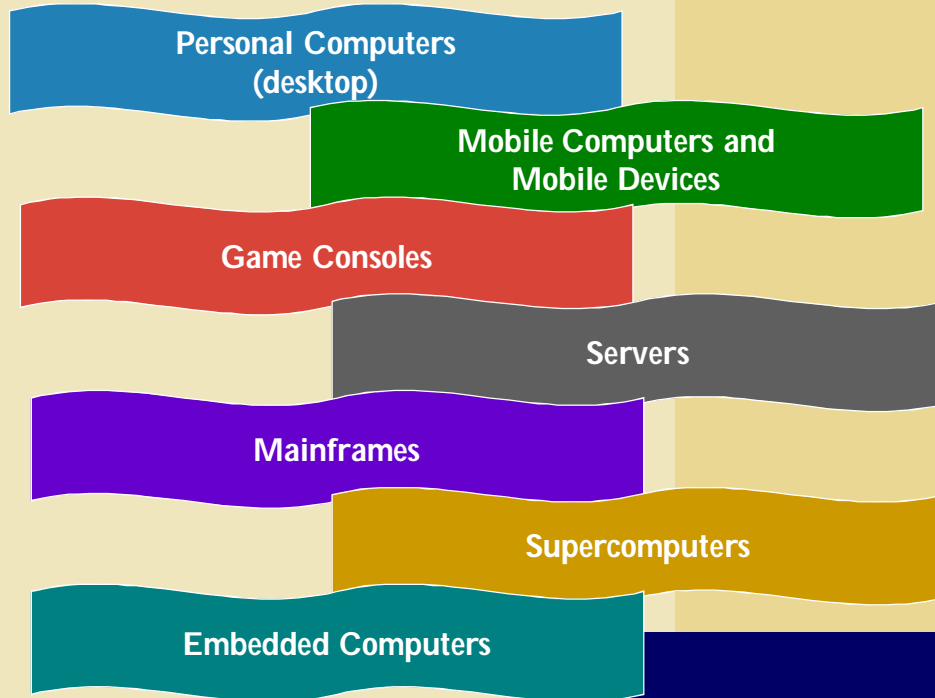
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Categories of Computers

What are the categories of computers?



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Personal Computers

What are the two most popular styles of **personal computers**?

- PC and compatibles use the Windows operating system
- Apple Macintosh usually uses the Macintosh operating system (Mac OS X)



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Personal Computers

What is a **desktop computer**?

- Designed so all of the components fit entirely on or under a desk or table



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Mobile Computers and Mobile Devices

What is a **notebook computer**?

- Portable, small enough to fit on your lap
- Also called a **laptop computer**
- Usually more expensive than a desktop computer with equal capabilities



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Mobile Computers and Mobile Devices

What is a **Tablet PC**?

- Resembles a letter-sized slate
- Allows you to write on the screen using a digital pen
- Especially useful for taking notes



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Mobile Computers and Mobile Devices

What are mobile devices?

Small enough to carry in a pocket

Internet-enabled telephone is a "smart phone"

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Mobile Computers and Mobile Devices

What is a **handheld computer**?

Small
enough to fit
in one
hand

Used
by mobile
employees such as
meter readers and
delivery people



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Mobile Computers and Mobile Devices

What is a **personal digital assistant (PDA)**?

➤ Provides personal organizer functions

- Calendar
- Appointment book
- Address book
- Calculator
- Notepad



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Mobile Computers and Mobile Devices

What are **smart phones**?



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Game Consoles

What are **game consoles**?

Mobile computing device designed for
single-player or multiplayer video games



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Servers

What types of servers are there?

A **server** controls access to network resources and provides centralized storage

Mainframe Very powerful, expensive computer that supports thousands of connected users

Supercomputer The fastest, most powerful, most expensive computer. Used for applications requiring complex mathematical calculations



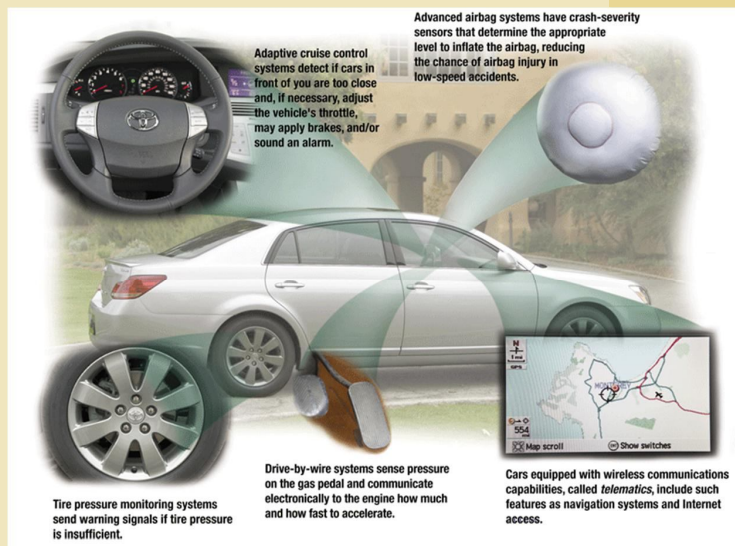
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Embedded Computers

What is an **embedded computer**?

- A special-purpose computer that functions as a component in a larger product



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Elements of an Information System

What are information system elements?

- Hardware
- Software
- Data
- People
- Procedures



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Examples of Computer Usage

What software is available for a home user?

- Personal finance management
- Web access
- Communications
- Entertainment



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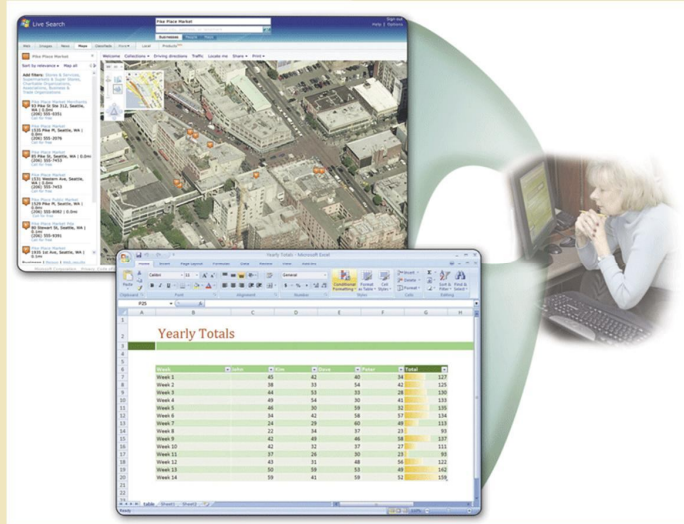


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Examples of Computer Usage

What software is available for a **small office/home office (SOHO)** user?

- Productivity software
- Specialty software
- Web usage
- E-mail



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Examples of Computer Usage

What is available for a **mobile user**?

- **Hardware**
 - Notebook computers
 - Tablet PCs
 - Internet-enabled PDAs
 - Smart phones
- **Software**
 - Word processing
 - Spreadsheet
 - Presentation graphics software



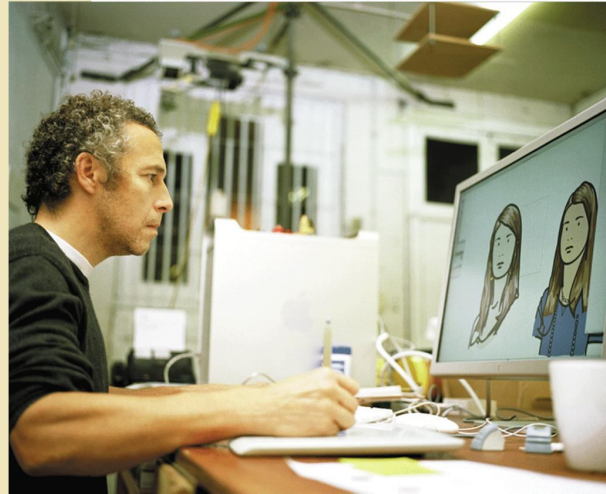
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Examples of Computer Usage

What are the needs of a **power user**?

- Speed and large amounts of storage
- Types of power users
 - Engineers
 - Scientists
 - Architects
 - Desktop publishers
 - Graphic artists



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Examples of Computer Usage

What are the needs of the **large business user**?

- Payroll
- Inventory
- E-commerce
- Desktop publishing



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Computer Applications in Society

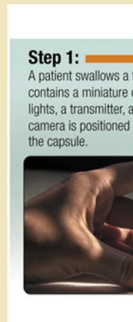
What are some examples of computer applications in society?

- Education
- Finance
- Government
- Health Care
- Science
- Publishing
- Travel
- Manufacturing



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Summary of Introduction to Computers

Basic computer concepts

The uses of the Internet

The term, computer

Computer software

The components of a computer

Categories of computers

The advantages and disadvantages of using computers

Types of computer users

The purpose of a network

Computer applications in society

Chapter 1 Complete

DATA

Kumpulan dari sesuatu yang belum di proses, dapat berupa huruf (A-Z), angka (0-9), suara dan video

Informasi

Data yang sudah di olah, dan berguna bagi yang memerlukan