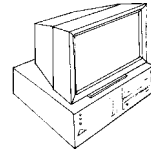


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Are you a Guru?

Computers have become part of our daily lives. People use them for business and pleasure. Not so long ago computers were enormous in size. These days we can fit them onto our laps. Did you know some people are scared of computers? They are afraid of even turning a computer on for fear of doing something wrong. Maybe you know someone who is like this? Other people have no fear at all and are very clever with computers. They are able to solve all sorts of problems. These people are often called computer guru's.

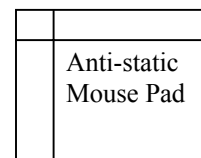
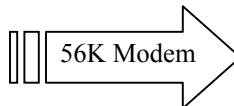
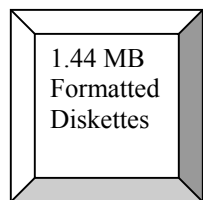
You might have a computer of your own or one in your classroom. Libraries also have computers for you to use. Library computers are not for playing games. Usually you have to ask the librarian if you can use the computer for research or you might want to find a particular book for a project you are doing. Follow the tasks below and maybe you will become a computer guru too!

Task 1) Find some information about earlier, electronic computers and write down what they were like. e.g. appearance, size and efficiency.

Task 2) When you have written about the older style computers research as much as you can about the latest computer technology. Continue your essay giving as much detail as possible. Computer magazines, newspapers and many library books will tell you all you need to know. If you have trouble finding information, ask your librarian to help you locate the correct books. Maybe you have computer magazines at home or a family member has some for you to borrow.

Task 3) After you have written your computer technology essay find some pictures showing computer items. Glue these on your essay and write next to them what they are.

Task 4) Last of all, write typical computer terms in a few fact boxes on your essay. For example,



The local library usually has a good selection of computer history from 1950's onwards.