### **Course Outline**



- Identifying Computer Hardware
- Identifying Computer Software
- Setting Up a Basic Workstation
- Configuring Network Access
- Working with Files, Folders, and Applications
- Configuring and Using Wireless Devices
- Securing Computing Devices
- Supporting Computers and Users

# Identifying Computer Hardware



- Identify Types of Computing Devices
- Identify Internal Computer Components
- Common Computer Connector Types
- Identify Common Peripheral Devices

# **Computing Devices**





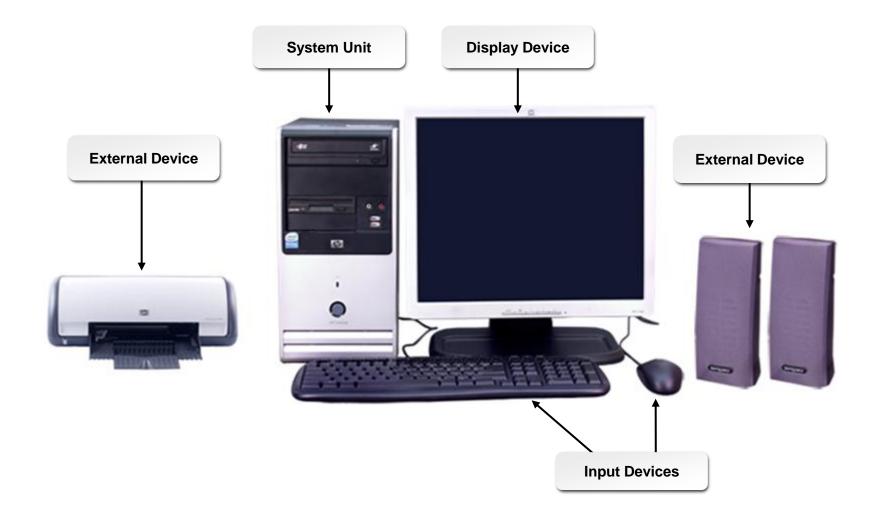
### **Personal Computers**



- Computing device for one
- Used in offices, homes, and schools
- Used for a variety of functions
  - Run software applications
  - Access the Internet
  - Communicate with others via email
  - Create new applications
  - Play games
  - Conduct research
- Only limited by imagination and hardware computing power

# **Desktop Computers**









### **Tablets**



- Apple's iPad<sup>®</sup> and iPod<sup>®</sup> touch
- Amazon<sup>™</sup> Kindle Fire<sup>™</sup>
- Samsung<sup>™</sup> Galaxy tablets
- Toshiba Excite<sup>™</sup>
- Acer<sup>®</sup> ICONIA TAB
- ASUS Eee Slate
- Samsung<sup>™</sup> Series 7 tablet
- Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Surface<sup>™</sup>
- BlackBerry<sup>®</sup> PlayBook<sup>™</sup>



### **Smartphones**

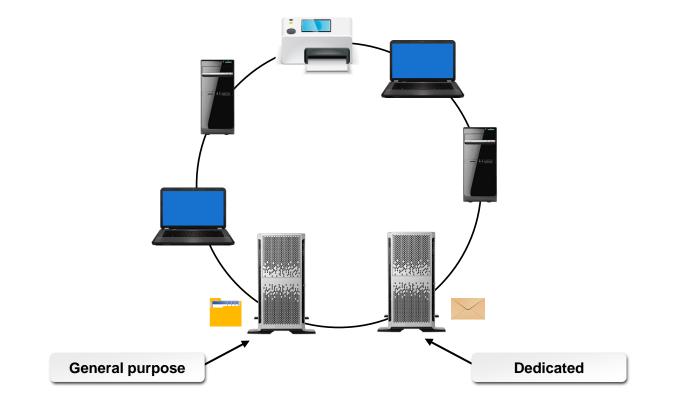


- Apple iPhone<sup>®</sup>
- Samsung<sup>™</sup> Galaxy<sup>®</sup> Note
- Motorola<sup>®</sup> Moto X
- HTC One<sup>™</sup>
- Google<sup>™</sup> Nexus
- Nokia<sup>™</sup> Lumia Icon
- Blackberry<sup>®</sup> Z30



Servers





# **Other Computing Devices**



- Super computers
- Mainframes
- eBook readers
- PDAs
- Media players

# The Motherboard





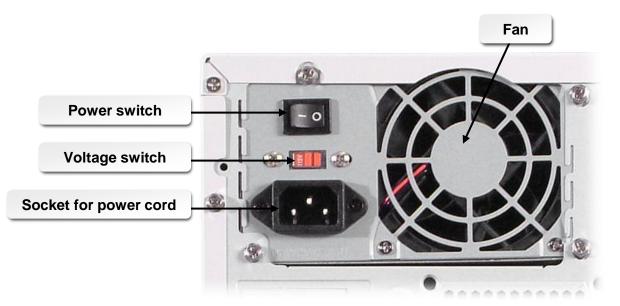
CPUs





## **Power Supply**





**External view** 



Wires from the power supply to the system board and drives

**Internal view** 







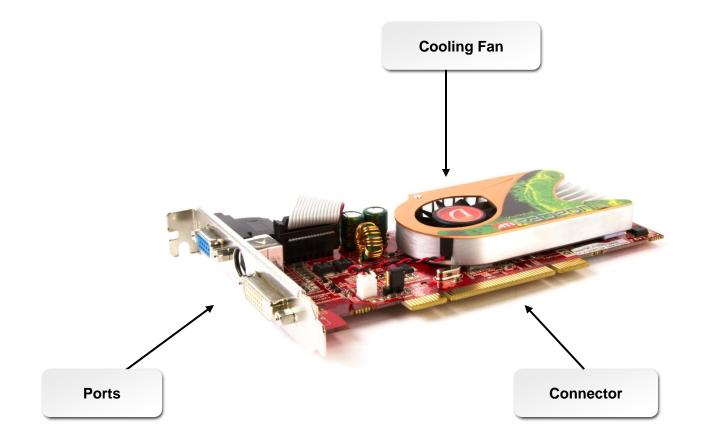
Memory Unit	Description
Byte	One character. A byte consists of 8 bits.
Kilobyte (KB)	1,024 bytes or 8,192 bits constitute 1 KB.
Megabyte (MB, Meg, or M)	1,048,576 bytes or 1,024 KB constitute 1 MB.
Gigabyte (GB)	1,073,741,824 bytes or 1,024 MB constitute 1 GB.
Terabyte (TB)	1,099,511,627,776 bytes or 1,024 GB constitute 1 TB.

# **Storage Devices**



Storage Type	Description
Hard Disk Drive (HDD)	Devices that store data digitally on non-removable magnetic coated disks that are rotated underneath a read/write head.
Solid State Drive (SSD)	Devices, such as flash drives, contain no moving parts and store data in non-volatile memory instead magnetic drives.
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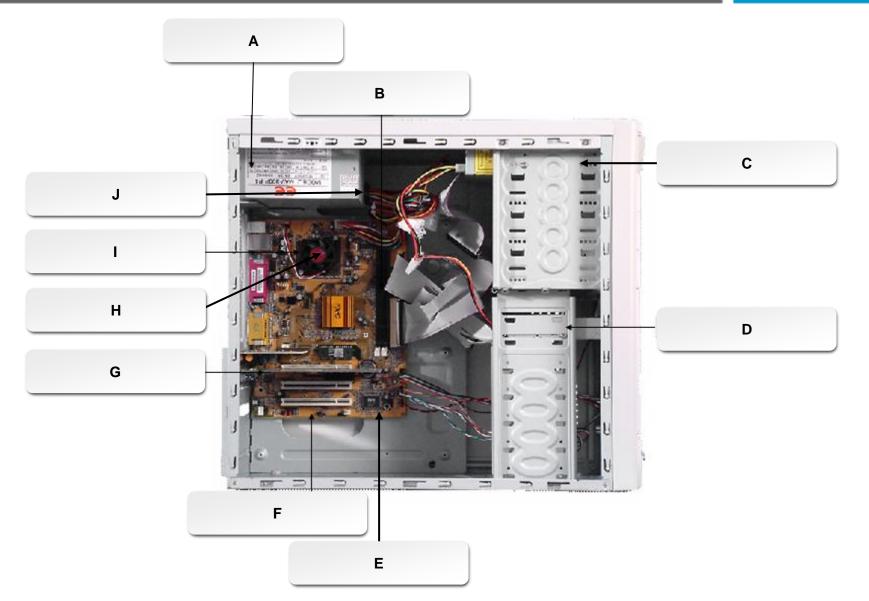
# **Cooling Systems**





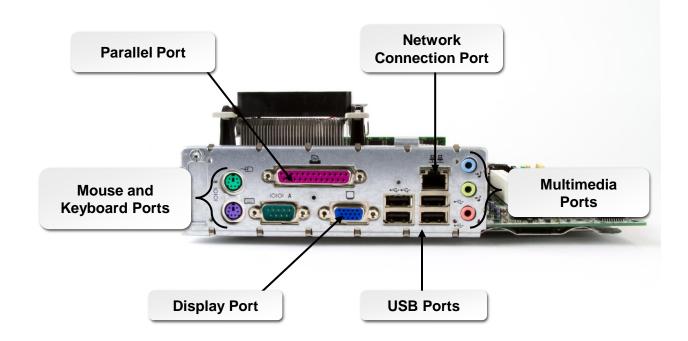
# **Internal Computer Components**





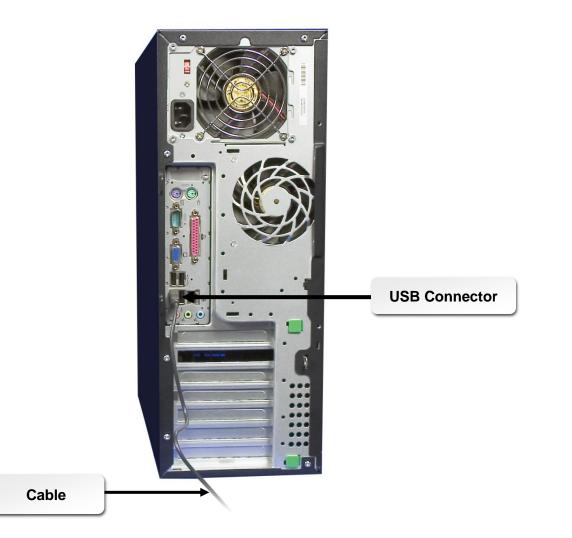
Ports





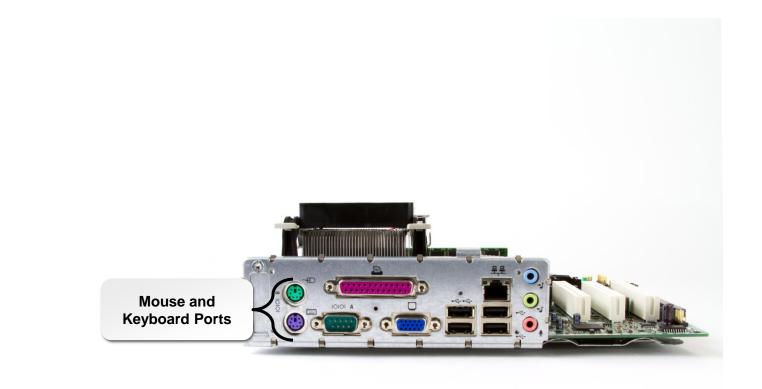
# **Computer Connections**



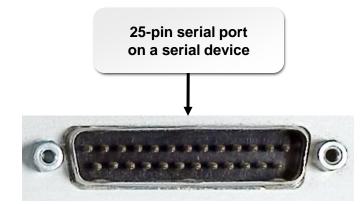


# PS/2 Ports







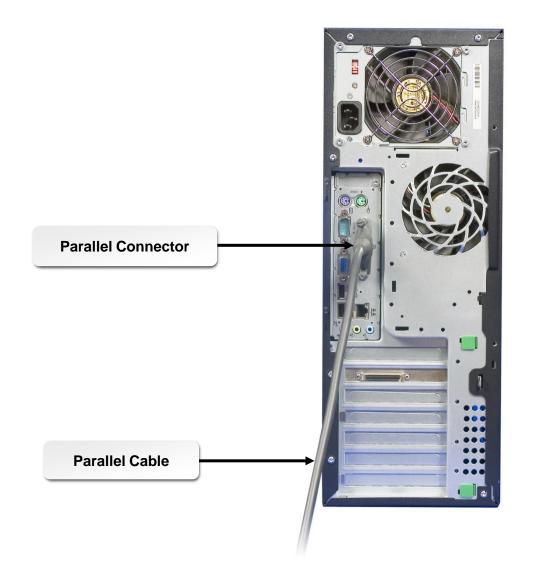


25-pin end of serial cable connects to modem and 9-pin end connects to computer's serial port



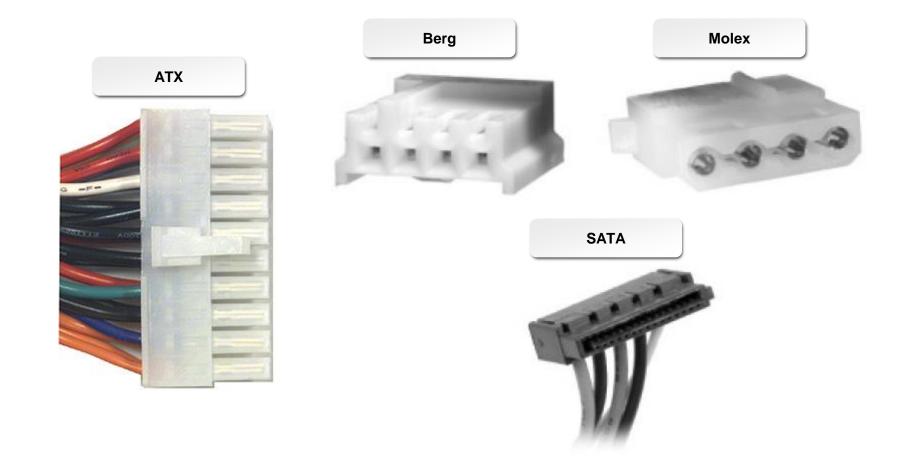
# **Parallel Connections**





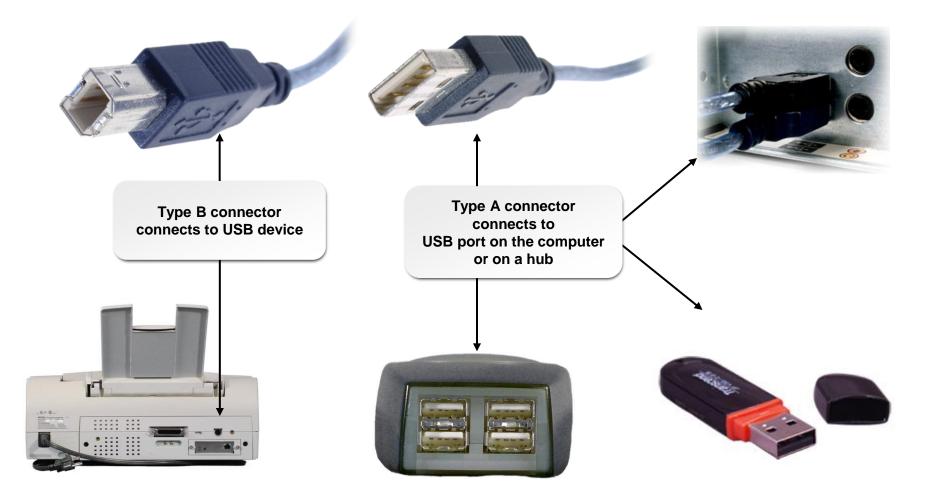
### **Power Connectors**





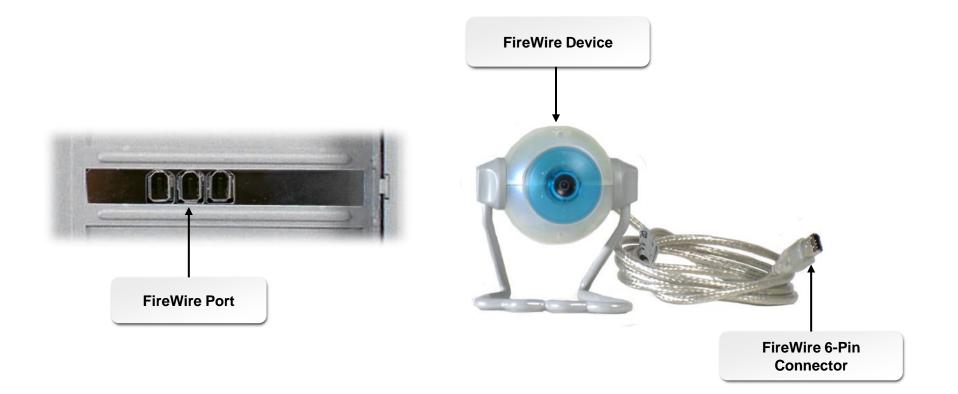
### **USB** Connections





## **IEEE 1394 and FireWire Connections**

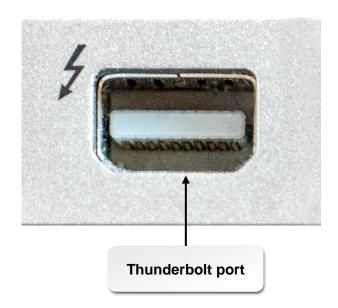




### **Thunderbolt Connections**



- Developed by Apple and Intel
- Carries data and display on a single cable
- Works with PCI and DisplayPort
- Can power peripherals with 10 watts of power
- Data transfer rate of about 10 Gbps
- Peripherals can be daisy-chained together





### **Audio Ports and Connections**





### **Video Ports and Connectors**





### eSATA



- External interface for SATA connections
- Connects external storage devices
- Provides fast data transfer rates
- Storage devices require their own power connector



### **RJ-45** Connector





### **RJ-11** Connector



- Used for telephones
- Has 4 or 6 pins
- Not suitable for network connectivity

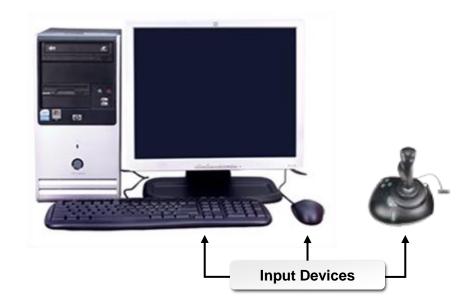


# **Peripheral Devices**



- Input
  - Mouse
  - Keyboard
- Output
  - Display
  - Speakers
  - Printer
- Storage Devices
  - Flash Drive
  - External Hard Drive





# Keyboards









# **Pointing Devices**





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# **Other Input Devices**





## **Output Devices**





# **Types of Printers**



- Laser
- Inkjet
- Thermal

# **Types of Display Devices**



- CRT
- LCD
- LED
- OLED
- Plasma
- Projector

## **Input/Output Devices**



- Fax devices
- External storage devices
  - Flash drive
  - External hard drive
  - Optical discs and drives
  - Network attached storage
  - Memory card
  - Mobile media
  - Smartphone
- Touchscreens

### **Reflective Questions**



- 1. How many of the personal computer components described are familiar to you?
- 2. Which of the device connections discussed have you worked with before? Which were new?

## **Identify Computer Software**



- Compare Functions and Features of Common Operating Systems
- Identify Application Software

## **Operating Systems**





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### **Operating System Functions**



- Provides a user-friendly environment to work with system features and applications
- Converts user input and sends it to the monitor or other display device
- Controls peripheral devices
- Provides the structure for files and folders
- Monitors the operating system's health and functionality

# Licensing



- Open source
- Freeware
- Commercial
- Copyleft
- Shareware

## **Types of Operating Systems for Workstations**



- Windows
- Mac OS X
- Linux
- Chrome OS

# **Types of Operating Systems for Mobile Devices**

- Apple iOS
- Android OS
- Blackberry OS
- Firefox OS
- Windows Phone OS



## **Operating System Compatibility Issues**



#### Hardware

- Windows Upgrade Assistant
- Architecture (32-bit and 64-bit)
  - Hardware
  - Applications
  - Drivers

## **Application Software**











Spreadsheets



PDF readers



Presentations



Email



Drawing and painting

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## **Application Platforms**



- Mobile
- Desktop
- Web-based

### **Productivity Software**



- Word processing
- Spreadsheet
- Email
- Database
- PDF
- Presentation
- Desktop publishing
- Personal information managers
- Remote desktop

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### **Collaboration Software**



- Online workspace
- Document storage/sharing
- Screen sharing
- Video conferencing
- Instant messaging
- Email

## **Utility Software**



- Anti-malware
- Firewalls
- Diagnostic/Maintenance
- Compression

### **Specialized Software**



- Computer-aided design (CAD)
- Graphic design
- Medical
- Scientific
- Financial
- Gaming
- Entertainment

### **Common File Types and Extensions**



#### Documents

- .txt, .rtf, .doc/.docx, .xls/.xlsx, .ppt/.pptx, .pdf
- Audio
  - .aac, .flac, .m4a, .mp3, .wav
- Images
  - .bmp, .gif, .jpg/.jpeg, .png, .tif/.tiff
- Video
  - .avi, .flv, .mp4, .mpg/.mpeg, .wmv
- Executables
  - .app, .bat, .com, .exe, .msi, .scexe
- Compression formats
  - .iso, .dmg, .gzip/.gz, .jar, .rar, .7zip/.7z, .tar, .zip

### **Reflective Questions**



- 1. With which type of operating system (mobile, desktop, or web-based) do you have the most experience? Which do you have the least experience using?
- 2. List one software application that you use most frequently. Which of its features do you like the most?

## Setting Up a Basic Workstation



- Connect Hardware
- Install and Configure Operating Systems
- Install and Configure Applications
- Configure Accessibility Options

### Workstation Setup Process



- **1.** Gather and connect hardware components.
- 2. Power on computer.
- **3.** Run the operating system setup utility as needed.
- 4. Configure peripherals as needed.
- 5. Configure and verify the Internet connection as needed.
- 6. Install security software.
- 7. Install and remove applications as needed.
- 8. Update operating system, security, and application software as needed.
- 9. Configure user accounts as needed.
- **10.** Manage cables.

### **Cable Management**



- Computer cords and cables can be a possible safety hazard, and can become disorganized and unsightly.
- Cable management tips:
  - Use cord protectors when cords and cables must be on the floor where people need to walk.
  - Use Velcro strips, twist ties, or binder clips to gather cables so that they take up less space in your work area.

## **Operating System Hardware Requirements**



- Minimum RAM
- Minimum hard disk space
- Minimum display resolution
- Any required hardware
  - Keyboard
  - Mouse

## **Operating System Installation Programs**



- Window setup wizard
- System image
  - ISO file
  - Virtual machine
  - USB stick image

## **Common OS Configuration Parameters**



- Date
- Time zone
- Language
- Keyboard type
- Screen resolution
- Audio settings

### **Multiple User Accounts**



- A user account is an information profile that uniquely identifies a user on a computer.
- Require a user name and password.
- A user account can have different rights and permissions than other users.

## **Peripheral Configuration**



#### Control Panel

- Devices and Printers
- Display
- Keyboard
- Mouse
- Sound
- Speech Recognition

### **OS Updates**



- Address security flaws and performance issues
- Often free of cost
- Types of updates
  - Patches
  - Hotfixes
  - Service Packs
  - Rollups

#### Automatic updates

- Automatic download
- Automatic installation or manual installation
- Disable automatic updates

## **Bundled Applications**



#### Software suites

- Productivity tools
- Programs sold with an OS or new computer
  - Security programs

### Software Inventory



- A list of all applications installed on a computer
- Manual or software-assisted

## **Desired Applications**



- Web browser
- Email client
- Word processing software
- Security software
- Software updates, including updates to the OS

### Bloatware



 Software that has lots of features and requires considerable disk space and RAM to install and run

## **Application Sharing**



- Application sharing applies to multiple users on the same computer.
- The installer might prompt you to install "For current user" only.
- Usually, applications are available to any account that has the proper permissions.

## **Guidelines for Ensuring a Computer Contains Only the Necessary Applications**



- Conduct a manual inventory or purchase an inventory utility and run it.
- Identify one application for each of the following:
  - A web browser
  - An email client
  - Word processing software
  - Security software
  - Software updates, including OS updates
- Remove unnecessary applications.
- Install any other necessary applications.





• The use of assistive technology to make computers available and easier to use

#### **Examples of Accessibility in Other OSs**



#### Mac OS X

- VoiceOver
- Zoom and Cursor Size
- Dictation
- Invert Colors
- Close Captions
- Screen Flash
- Mono Audio
- Switch Control
- Slow Keys
- Sticky Keys
- Speakable Items
- Simple Finder
- Text to Speech

#### Chrome OS

- ChromeVOX
- Accessibility settings
- Android OS
  - TalkBack
  - Explore by Touch

#### **Examples of Adaptive Technologies**



- Braille translation software to convert text to Braille
- Eye-tracking devices to enable input capabilities with eye movements
- Tobii EyeMobile software to control a Windows 8 tablet with your eyes

#### **Reflective Questions**



- 1. If you have experience with installing and configuring operating systems, what problems did you encounter and how did you address them?
- 2. What applications do you feel are important to include in your personal required software list?

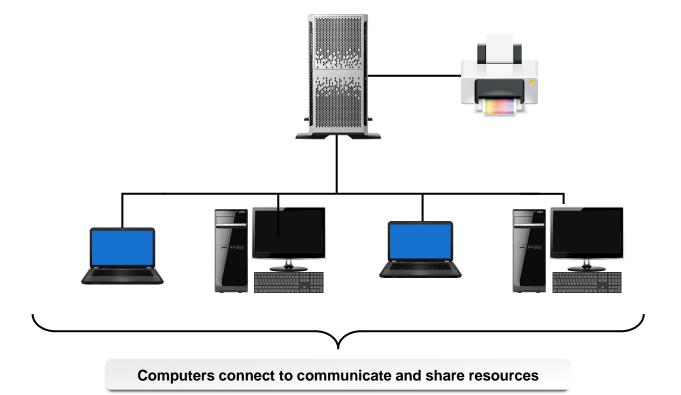
#### **Configuring Network Access**



- Network Connection Types
- Install and Configure a SOHO Router
- Network and Alternative Technologies
- Sharing and Storage Methods

# A Simple Computer Network

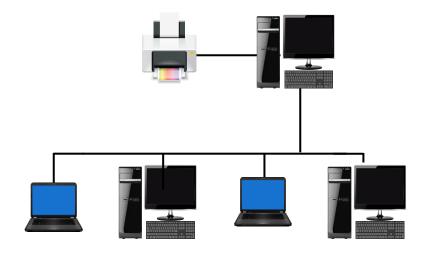




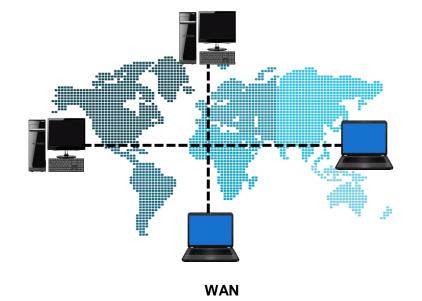
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**Network Types** 





LAN



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#### **Network Connection Methods**



- Wireless
- Wired
- Cellular

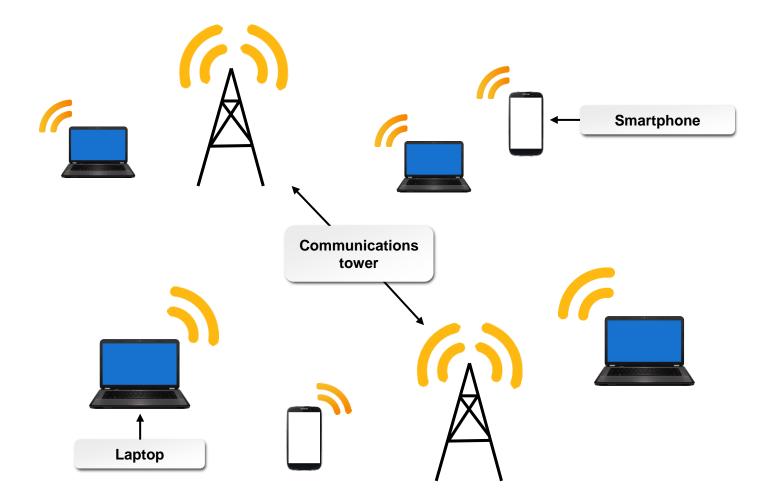
#### Wired Network Connections



- Use Ethernet
- Communicate over small distances

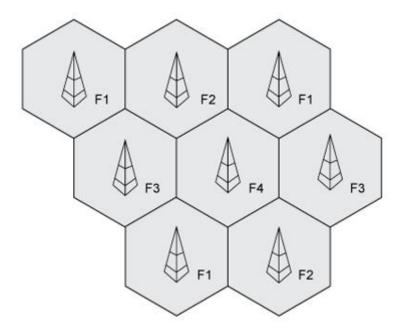
## **Wireless Network Connections**





## **Cellular Network Connections**







Network	Mobility Level
Wired	Low to None
Wireless	Medium
Cellular	High

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Network	Availability Level
Wired	Medium to High
Wireless	Medium to High
Cellular	High



Network	Bandwidth and Throughput Level
Wired	High
Wireless	Medium
Cellular	Low



Network	Reliability Level
Wired	High
Wireless	Medium
Cellular	Low



Network	Concurrent Connection Level
Wired	Medium
Wireless	Medium
Cellular	High