

Year group: 2	Term: Autumn 1	Unit: What is a computer?
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Must have knowledge:

- To know the difference between a desktop and a laptop computer
- To know some input devices that give a computer an instruction about what to do (output)
- To know that people control technology

Key Vocabulary:

Computer - Electronic machine that accepts and processes information to produce an output, and then stores the results.

Desktop: A tower computer that needs a mouse, keyboard and monitor, that stays in one place.

Laptop: A compact computer that is easy to carry and move around.


Input- A way of telling the computer what you want it to do.

Output: Information or data that is sent by the computer to an output device such as a printer or speakers.

Key skills

- Recognise that buttons cause effects and that technology follows instructions.
- Develop word processing skills, including altering text, copying and pasting and using keyboard shortcuts.
- Creating and labelling images

These items all use technology.



Some computers have a keyboard, screen and mouse, others have buttons to make them do things

