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Pathfinder's Name

## Computer

- ☐ 1. Write 200 words or give a three-minute oral report about the history of computers.

- ☐ 2. What is the definition of the following terms:

Hardware \_\_\_\_\_

Software \_\_\_\_\_

Floppy Disk \_\_\_\_\_

Hard Drive \_\_\_\_\_

Mainframe \_\_\_\_\_

Desktop Computer \_\_\_\_\_

Laptop Computer \_\_\_\_\_

ROM \_\_\_\_\_

RAM \_\_\_\_\_

Alphanumeric \_\_\_\_\_

CPU \_\_\_\_\_

Circuit board \_\_\_\_\_

Cursor \_\_\_\_\_

Port \_\_\_\_\_

Program \_\_\_\_\_

DOS or OS \_\_\_\_\_

CD Rom \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ 3. What are the proper handling and storage techniques of disks?

- ☐ 4. Describe the function of and point out the following components of a personal computer:

Keyboard \_\_\_\_\_

Monitor \_\_\_\_\_

System Unit or Central Processing Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Printer \_\_\_\_\_

Disk drive \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ 5. Know the difference between and the uses for the following printers:

	Differences	Uses
Letter Quality	_____	_____
Dot Matrix	_____	_____
Laser	_____	_____
Plotter	_____	_____
Ink Jet	_____	_____
Thermal	_____	_____

- ☐ 6. Show or describe how to protect a computer system from:
- dust \_\_\_\_\_
- dirt \_\_\_\_\_
- static electricity \_\_\_\_\_
- power surges and outages \_\_\_\_\_
- Other potentially dangerous factors that could hamper or hurt a computer system.
- \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ 7. Name at least four input devices for computers.
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ 8. What does it mean to back up a disk or a file?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Why is it important?
- \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ 9. What is computer preventive maintenance?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Why is it important?
- \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ 10. Successfully boot, load (install), and use a prepared software program for use in a computer system. (No computer games.)

- ☐ 11. Tell several ways an individual or family could use a personal computer other than for games.
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