INGLÉS TÉCNICO DE GRADO SUPERIOR UD-3

INSIDE THE COMPUTER

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# GET READY!

Before you read the passage, talk about these questions.

1. Which components make up a typical desktop computer?

The key components which make up a typical desktop computer are the case where the other parts of the computer will reside, the motherboard which determines the type of components that can be used with the system and the number of internal peripherals. It can support, the processor which is the brain of the computer system, a heat sink and cooling fan used to cool the processor, a power supply which has sufficient power, a hard drive for storage, RAM and expansion cards for memory and a disk drive which reads and writes data onto a disk.

1. What do you call a person who repairs computers?

A computer technician repairs computers.

# READING

Read the technology guide about computers available at TEI Inc. Then, choose the correct answers.

1. What is the guide mostly about?
2. **Putting together a computer**
3. Problems with computer parts
4. Uses of expansion cards
5. Repairing a broken computer
6. When should the hard drive be installed?
7. Step #1
8. Step #3
9. **Step #5**
10. Step#6
11. According to the guide, what is NOT an assembly step?
12. Collecting parts
13. Opening the case
14. **Connecting the drives**
15. Installing the RAM card

# VOCABULARY

Match the words (1-6) with the definitions (A-F).

1. (C) heat sink
2. (B) RAM
3. (E) expansion card
4. (F) processor
5. (D) hard drive
6. (A) motherboard
7. A slotted board with circuits and ports.
8. A short term, quick memory source.
9. A part used to cool the processor.
10. A part used to store large amounts of data.
11. A part used to increase a computer's functions.
12. A part that completes tasks for the computer.

Write a word that is similar in meaning to the underlined part.

1. Spinning blades keep the computer from overheating. 🡪 fan.
2. The electrical source directs power throughout the computer. 🡪 power supply.
3. Joey purchased a protective bag for his computer. 🡪 case.
4. Can the coded disk reader play DVDs? 🡪 disk drive.

Listen and read the technology guide about computer assembly again. What should be hooked up to the motherboard?

According to the step #2, the processor should be connected to the motherboard.

A 🡪 Hi! I’m Andreea and I’m gonna help you today. How can I help you?

B 🡪 Hi! I’m Alberto and I need some help with my phone, it has stopped working.

A 🡪 I’m gonna help you with that, but first I need more information about your phone. Has it fallen?

B 🡪 No, I spilled my coffee on it this morning.

A 🡪 Oh! I have two possible solutions for this problem: You can put your phone in rice for two weeks and if that doesn’t work, you will have to come to our store.

B 🡪 Ok! I will do it and I will call you back in two weeks to tell you if the problem has been solved or if I must take my phone to the store. Bye and thank you for your help today! Have a nice day!

A 🡪 You’re welcome. Have a nice day too!