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Using practical examples, describe green computing. List and explain the steps that you take to contribute to green computing.

What is Green computing?

Green computing, also called green technology, is the environmentally responsible use of computers and related resources. Such practices include the implementation of energy-efficient central processing units (CPUs), servers and peripherals as well as reduced resource consumption and proper disposal of electronic waste (e-waste).



Green computing” is the name attached to this movement, which represents an environmentally responsible way to reduce power and environmental waste.

The goals of green computing are similar to green chemistry; reduce the use of hazardous materials, maximize energy efficiency during the product's lifetime, and promote the recyclability or biodegradability of defunct products and factory waste research continues into key areas such as making the use of computers as energy-efficient as possible,

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and designing algorithms and systems for efficiency-related computer technologies.

Four Simple Steps which I have contributed to Green Computing:

1. Develop a sustainable green computing plan
2. Recycle
3. Make environmentally sound purchase decision
4. Conserve energy

Develop a sustainable green computing plan Discuss with your business leaders the elements that should be factored into such a plan, including organizational policies and checklists. Such a plan should include recycling policies,

recommendations for disposal of used equipment, government guidelines and recommendations for purchasing green computer equipment. Green computing best practices and policies should cover power usage, reduction of paper consumption, as well as recommendations for new equipment and recycling old machines. Organizational policies should include communication and implementation

Recycle. Discard used or unwanted electronic equipment in a convenient and environmentally responsible manner. Computers have toxin metals and pollutants that can emit harmful emissions into the environment. Never discard computers in a landfill. Recycle them instead through manufacturer programs such as HP's Planet

Partners recycling service or recycling facilities in your community. Or donate still-working computers to a non-profit agency.

Reduce Paper Consumption. There are many easy, obvious ways to reduce paper consumption: e-mail, electronic archiving, use the “track changes” feature in electronic documents, rather than redline corrections on paper. When you do print out documents, make sure to use both sides of the paper, recycle regularly, use smaller fonts and margins, and selectively print required pages.



Conserve energy.-

Turn off your computer when you know you won't use it for an extended period of time. Turn on power management features during shorter periods of inactivity. Power management allows monitors and computers to enter low-power states when sitting idle. By simply hitting the keyboard or moving the mouse, the computer or monitors awakens from its low power sleep mode in seconds. Power management tactics can save energy and help protect the environment.