

DESCRIBING DEVICES PHYSICALLY

X IS A <CLASS> example: A relay is a **switching device**.

COMPOSITION:

It is made of <materials>

It consists of < substances>

It has <components>

It is composed of <Parts>

It is formed by < Pieces>

FEATURES

It is <adjective> Example: shape (circular, elliptical)

It looks <adjective>

VOCABULARY. MATERIALS

Put 2 examples using this materials

acrylic - alloy - aluminum - brass - brick - bronze - carbon - cardboard - cast iron - cement - ceramics - copper - cotton - diamond - fiber - fiberglass - glass - glue - gold - iron - leather - linen - marble - clay - nylon - paper - polyester - rubber - sand - silica - silver - skin - steel - stone - titanium - vinyl - cloth - wood - wool

Example: Mobile phones are made of plastic and iron.

VOCABULARY. ADJETIVES FOR DESCRIBING.

When describing, one of the most usual word classes is adjectives.

Look at the following characteristics and classify them using the categories given below.

- Huge
- Rough
- Boiling
- Cylindrical
- Square
- Cool
- Tiny
- Molten
- Metallic
- Soft
- Rectangular
- Light
- Dark
- Warm
- Straight
- Bright
- Smooth
- Large
- Burning
- Icy
- Minute
- Wooden
- Plastic
- Opaque
- Ferrous
- Short
- Synthetic
- Organic
- Reddish
- Sticky
- Faded
- Broad
- Rounded
- Sharp

COLOUR	TEMPERATURE	SHAPE
COMPOSITION	SIZE	TEXTURE

Fisical features:

- This electronic has a shape.
- It is long (its length iscm), cm wide (its width iscm) and high (its height is 10mm).
- It is made of plastic/aluminium / glass. It is <COLOR>.
- It weightsgr (its weight is g).
- It consists of a and a (se compone de...)
- It is <adjective> Example: shape (circular, elliptical)

_Features such as shape, color, weight, dimensions, material, parts, components, are technical characteristics mentioned in physical descriptions. Some examples:

- the name of this device is ...
- It is manufactured by.....in (country)
- It costs (approximately)
- It is intended for..(ex: travellers,children aged 8 to 12)
- It can be used for/is most suitable for...
- The device is powered by
- It is equipped with....
- it is fitted with
- it includes (the latest version of..)
- It is designed(automatically) to detect...
- It performs/acts as
- it measures....
- it controls,monitors..; It enables remote instrument control via /thanks to/ through + noun (ex: Internet browser)
- It can be used for ...+ING. It can be used with+ noun .
- It can run (multiple connexions)
- It is available in....
- It is offered in X versions . X optional modules are available
- Turn on/switch on the..
- Remember to+V..
- Never try to +V
- make sure to /you +V

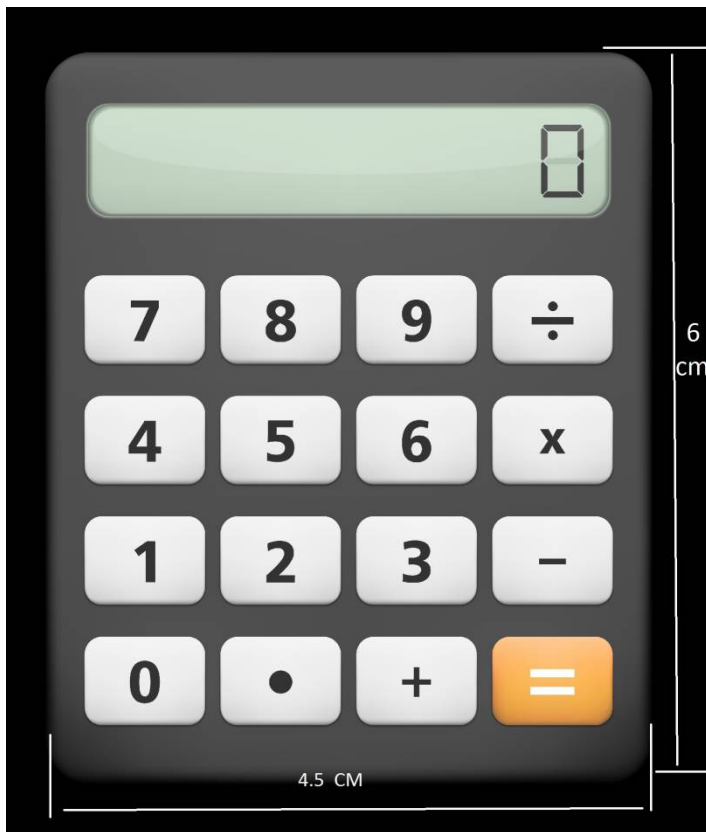
Noun	Adjective
Square	Square
Rectangle	Rectangular
Triangle	Triangular
Ellipse	Elliptical
Semicircle	Semicircular
Circle	Circular
Cube	Cubic
Pyramid	Pyramidal
Cone	Conical
Hemisphere	Hemispherical



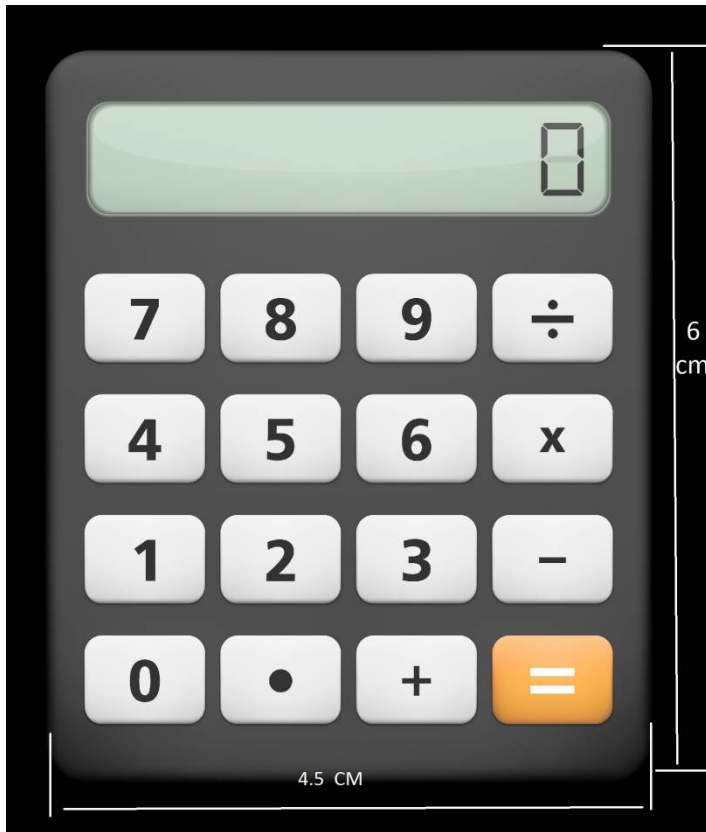
EXAMPLE:

This is a mobile phone. It has a rectangular shape. It has a dark and silver colour. It weights about 300gr. At the centre, we can see a built-in camera. At the top we can see an antenna, that is used for receiving signals from other phones. On the left of the mobile phone there are two volume keys for adjusting the volume.

Describe this calculator.



This **electronic calculator** has ashape. ...



This **electronic calculator** has a rectangular shape. It is 6cm long (its length is 6cm), 4.5 cm wide (its width is 4.5cm) and 10mm high (its height is 10mm). It is made of plastic, aluminium and glass. It is gray.

It weights 100gr (its weight is 100 g). It consists of a display with eight digits, sixteen keys and an on/off switch.

Now describe the following devices:



Describe this device



Describe this device

wiseGEEK



Describe this device



Screen



Mouse



Keyboard



Network



Modem



Router



Hard disk



Scanner



Printer



Speakers



Web cam



Laptop



Flash drive



mp3 player



iPod