



Learning Objectives (1)

- Understand the difference between system software and application software.
- Explain the different functions of an operating system and discuss some ways that operating systems enhance processing efficiency.
- List several ways in which operating systems differ from one another.

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Learning Objectives (2)

- Name today's most widely used operating systems for smartphones and other mobile devices.
- Discuss the operating systems used with mainframes and supercomputers.
- Discuss the role of utility programs and outline several tasks that these programs perform.
- Describe what the operating systems of the future might be like.

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Overview

- This chapter covers:
 - Differences between system software and application software
 - Functions of and general differences between operating systems
 - Specific operating systems most widely used today
 - Various types of utility programs
 - A look at future of operating systems

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System Software vs. Application Software

- System software refers to the operating system and utility programs that control a computer system and allow you to use that system
 - Enables the boot process, launches applications, transfers files, controls hardware configuration, manages files on the hard drive, and protects from unauthorized use
- Application software refers to programs that allow a user to perform specific tasks on a computer
 - Word processing, playing games, browsing the Web, listening to music, etc.

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The Operating System

- A computer's operating system is a collection of programs that manage and coordinate the activities taking place within a computer
 - Acts as an intermediary between the user and the computer and between the application programs and system hardware



FIGURE 5-1
The intermediary
role of the operating
system.

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Functions of an Operating System: Interfacing with Users and Booting the PC

- Interfacing with users (typically via a GUI)
- Booting the computer
 - Loads the essential part of operating system (kernel) into memory
 - Reads opening batch of instructions
 - Determines the hardware connected to computer
 - Startup programs are launched automatically
 - Windows users can control via the Task Manager
 - Other instructions are stored in the Windows registry



Windows Task Manager

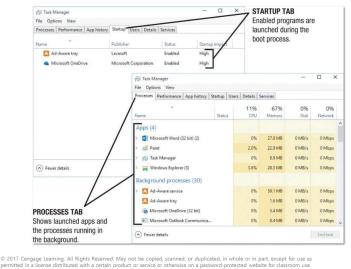


FIGURE 5-2

Windows Task Manager. Shows all running programs and processes and allows you to specify startup programs.



Configuring Devices

- Configuring devices so they operate properly
 - Device drivers communicate with peripheral devices
 - Most operating systems look for and recognize new devices each time the computer boots
 - Device drivers can be updated and reinstalled as needed

FIGURE 5-3 hardware. Most operating systems are new hardware and to try to configure it automatically





Managing Networking Connections

- Managing network connections
 - Manages wired connections to home or office network
 - Manages wireless connections at home, school, work, or on the go
 - Can troubleshoot and repair networking connections when

needed



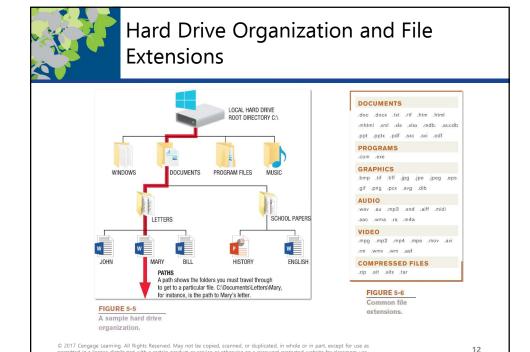
Close the troubleshooter Explore additional options



Managing Resources, Files, and Security

- Managing and monitoring resources and jobs
 - Makes resources available to devices and programs
 - Monitors for problems and tries to correct any that arise
 - Schedules jobs to be carried out
- File management Keeps track of stored files on computer so they can be retrieved when needed
 - Path shows folders from root to desired item
 - File extensions indicate type of file
- Security Uses passwords, biometric characteristics and other security procedures to limit access to system resources

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Processing Techniques for Increased Efficiency: Multitasking and Multithreading

- Multitasking refers to the ability of an operating system to have more than one program (task) open at one time
 - CPU rotates between tasks
 - Switching is done quickly
 - Appears as though all programs are executing at the same time
- Multithreading enables the computer to rotate between multiple threads so that processing is completed faster and more efficiently
 - A thread is a sequence of instructions within a program that is independent of other thread
- In either case, tasks are performed sequentially

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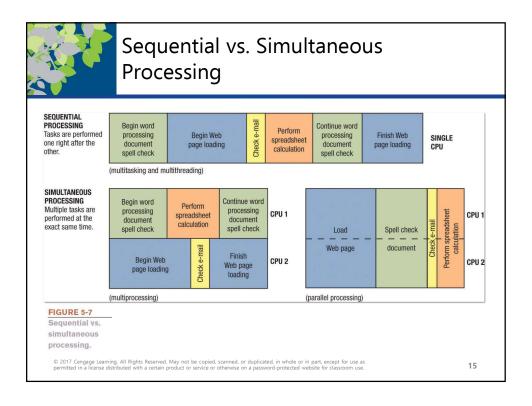
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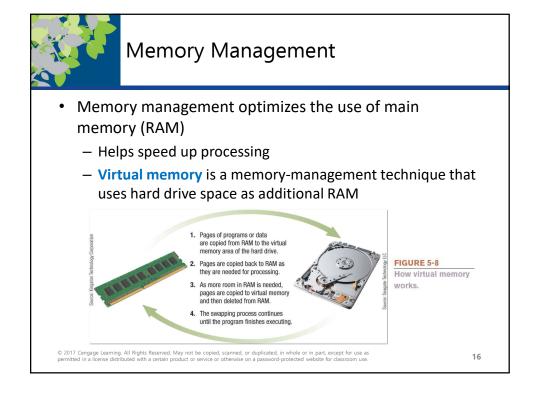


Multiprocessing and Parallel Processing

- Both involve using two or more CPUs or CPU cores in one computer to perform work more efficiently
 - Multiprocessing: Each CPU or core typically works on a different job
 - Used with computers and devices that have multi-core CPUs and/or multiple CPUs
 - Parallel processing: The CPUs or cores typically work together to complete one job more quickly
 - Used most often with supercomputers
- In either case, tasks are performed simultaneously

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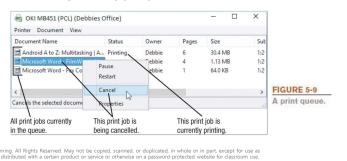






Buffering and Spooling

- A buffer is an area in RAM or on the hard drive designated to hold data that is waiting to be used by the computer
- **Buffering** or **spooling** places items in a buffer so they can be retrieved by the appropriate device when needed





Graphical vs. Command Line Interface

- · A graphical user interface (GUI) has icons, buttons, and other objects that the user selects to issue commands
 - Used by most operating systems
- A command line interface requires the user to input text-based commands using the keyboard FIGURE 5-10



Graphical user

interfaces.

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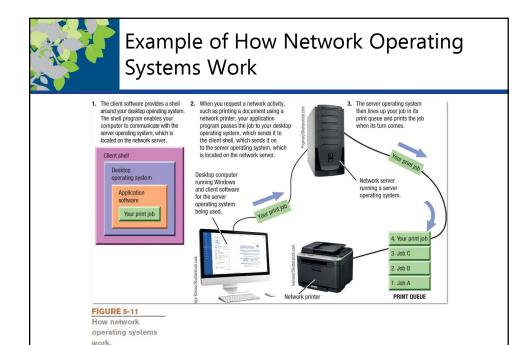


Categories of Operating Systems

- Personal (desktop) operating systems are designed to be installed on a single computer
- Server (network) operating systems are designed to be installed on a network server
 - Client computers still use a personal operating system
 - Server operating system controls access to network resources
- Mobile operating systems are used with smartphones and other mobile devices
- Embedded operating systems are built into devices (cars, kiosks, consumer electronics, etc.)

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Types of Processors Supported and Support for New Technologies

- Most operating systems are designed for a specific type of processor
 - Desktop, mobile, or server processors
 - 32-bit or 64-bit CPUs
- Operating systems must respond to new technologies or trends
 - New CPU characteristic or new type of bus
 - Virtualization
 - Mobility and wearables
 - Security concerns
 - Power-consumption concerns
 - Touch and gesture input
 - The move to cloud software

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Trend

Amazon Echo

- A voice-controlled assistant (Alexa)
- Connects to the Internet and devices via Wi-Fi and Bluetooth
- Designed to understand spoken commands and provide the requested information: Music, news, traffic, weather, Internet information, and more
- If This Then That (IFTTT) capabilities



Amazon Echo

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Quick Quiz (1)

- 1. Which processing technique allows a computer to work with more than one program at a time?
 - a. interfacing
 - b. buffering
 - c. multitasking
- 2. True or False: Most operating systems today use a command line interface.
- 3. ______ is the task included with operating systems that allows to you keep track of the files stored on a computer.

Answers:

1) c; 2) False; 3) File management

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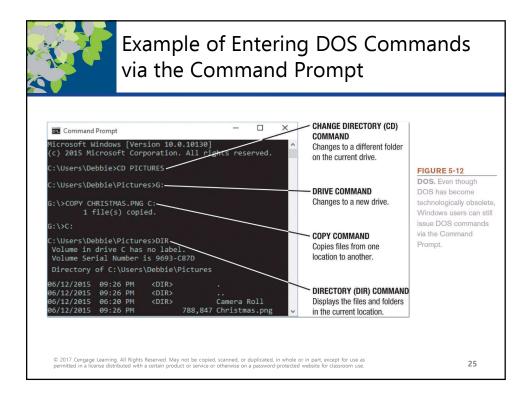
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Operating Systems for Personal Computers and Servers: DOS

- DOS (Disk Operating System)
 - DOS traditionally used a command-line interface
 - Dominant operating system in the 1980s and early 1990s
 - PC-DOS
 - Created originally for IBM microcomputers
 - MS-DOS
 - Created for use with IBM-compatible computers
 - Can enter DOS commands in Windows using the Command Prompt

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Windows

- Windows is the predominant personal operating system developed by Microsoft Corporation
- History
 - Windows 1.0 released in 1985
 - Windows 1.0 through Windows 3.x were operating environments for DOS
 - Windows after 3.11 were full-fledged operating systems
 - Windows 95, Windows 98, and Windows ME
 - Designed for personal computers
 - Windows NT (New Technology) and Windows 2000
 - Designed for high-end workstations and servers

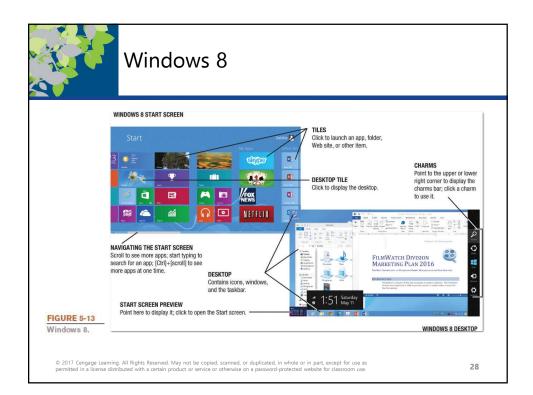
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More Recent Versions of Windows

- Windows XP
 - Support for new hardware, networking, and the Internet
- Windows Vista
 - Introduced the Aero interface and Sidebar feature
- Windows 7
 - Required less memory and processing power; designed to run well on netbooks and tablets
- Windows 8
 - Designed to be used with a wide range of deviceSupports multi-touch input
 - Includes Start screen, tiles, and charms bar
- There are also server versions of these operating systems (Windows Server and Windows Home Server)

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Windows 10

- Windows 10 is the latest version of Windows
 - Is a universal operating system that will run on any device
 - · Replaces all previous versions of Windows
 - · Looks and feel are consistent
 - · Experience is optimized to match the device being used
 - Looks similar to Windows 8 but has new features
 - The Start menu contains a menu and tiles
 - · Apps run in resizable windows
 - Task View allows personalized, virtual desktops
 - Edge Web browser
 - Cortana virtual assistant

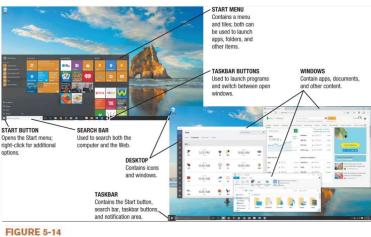
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Windows 10.

Windows 10 Desktop



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OS X

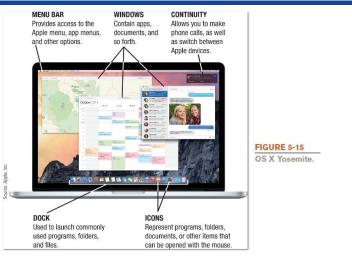
- OS X is the proprietary operating system for computers made by Apple Corporation
 - Designates a unique name for each version
 - OS X El Capitan, OS X Yosemite, etc.
 - Based on the UNIX operating system
 - Originally set the standard for graphical user interfaces
 - High level of multimedia functions and connectivity
 - Includes the Safari Web browser and a Dock
 - Recent features are the Notification Center and Continuity feature
 - Continue work from one device to another and sync all your Apple devices via iCloud
 - OS X Server is the server version of OS X

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OS X Yosemite



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UNIX

- UNIX is an operating system developed in the late 1960s for midrange servers
 - Multiuser, multitasking operating system
 - More expensive, requires high level of technical knowledge; harder to install, maintain, and upgrade
 - "UNIX" initially referred to the original UNIX operating system, now refers to a group of similar operating systems based on UNIX
 - Many UNIX flavors are not compatible with each other
 - Single UNIX Specification is a standardized UNIX programming environment

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Linux

- Linux resembles UNIX but was developed independently by Linus Torvalds in 1991
 - Open-source software; has been collaboratively modified by volunteer programmers all over the world
 - Originally used a command line interface, most recent versions use a GUI
 - Strong support from mainstream companies, such as IBM, NVIDIA, HP, Dell, and Novell
 - Reasons to switch to Linux
 - Cost
 - More control over the computer
 - Faster

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Chrome OS

- Chrome OS is the first cloud operating system
 - Is essentially the Chrome Web browser redesigned to run a computer
 - Replaces traditional desktop operating systems
 - Designed for devices that are used entirely online
 - Currently only available preinstalled on Chrome devices
 - Chromebooks

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Quick Quiz (2)

- 1. What is the most recent personal version of Windows?
 - a. Windows 10
 - b. Windows 8
 - c. Windows XP
- 2. True or False: Linux is an open source operating system available for free via the Internet.
- 3. The operating system most commonly used on Apple personal computers today is ______.

Answers:

1) a; 2) True; 3) OS X

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Operating Systems for Mobile Devices

- Notebook and other portable personal computers typically use the same operating systems as desktop computers
- Mobile devices typically use a mobile operating system
 - Mobile version of a personal operating system (Windows or Linux)
 - Special operating system designed for mobile devices (Android or Apple iOS)
- · Embedded operating systems used with everyday objects
- Users should consider the operating system when selecting a smartphone, tablet, or other mobile device

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Technology and You

Smart Cars

- Self-driving systems and selfparking systems
- Lane departure, drowsiness, and blind spot detection systems
- Adaptive cruise control and distance alert systems
- Windshield displays
- Collision warnings and auto brakes
- Keyless entry/ignition systems
- Distraction-prevention systems
- Safe use of gadgets is a concern



This mobile app controls a smart car's self-parking system.

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Windows 10 Mobile

- · Windows 10 Mobile
 - Uses the same kernel, user interface, and other features as desktop installations
 - Continuum feature allows Windows to provide the most appropriate interface for the device being used
 - · Keyboard and mouse input vs. touch input
 - Enables some smartphones to function as a PC
 - Replaces older mobile and embedded versions of Windows (Windows Phone 8, Windows RT, etc.)

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Android

- Android is a Linux-based operating system created with current mobile device capabilities in mind
 - Developed by Google and the Open Handset Alliance
 - Open platform but must adhere to specifications to call a device "Android compatible"
 - Current version is Android 6.0, known as Marshmallow
 - Supports multi-touch input and has a variety of built-in Google apps
 - Google Now and Google on Tap
 - Android Device Manager
 - Android Pay
- Android Wear, Android TV, and Android Auto

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Examples of Android Devices



FIGURE 5-18
Android is used with a variety of devices.

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iOS

- iOS is designed for Apple mobile devices
 - Supports multi-touch input
 - Current version is iOS 9
 - Safari Web browser
 - Siri virtual assistant
 - · Facetime video calling
 - Touch ID and Apple Pay
 - Find My iPhone
 - Support for Apple Watch
- watchOS (Apple Watch) and tvOS (Apple TV)

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BlackBerry OS and Mobile Linux

- BlackBerry OS and BlackBerry PlayBook OS
 - Designed for BlackBerry devices
- Additional Linux-based mobile operating systems besides Android and iOS
 - Ubuntu
 - webOS
 - Firefox OS
 - Tizen

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Inside the Industry

Drones

- · An unmanned aircraft
- Usually remote-controlled
- Look like small airplanes or multi-rotor helicopter
- Commonly used for aerial filming
- Use is skyrocketing; FAA regulates drone use
- Amazon is currently testing a drone-based delivery system



Drone assisting in a search and rescue operation.

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Operating Systems for Larger Computers

- Larger computers sometimes use operating systems designed solely for that type of system
 - IBM's z/OS is designed for IBM mainframes
- Windows, UNIX, and Linux are also used with servers and mainframes
- Linux is also used with supercomputers
- Mainframes and supercomputers may also use a customized version of UNIX or another conventional operating system

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Utility Programs

- A utility program performs a specific task, usually related to managing or maintaining the computer system
 - Many utilities are built into operating systems (for finding files, viewing images, backing up files, etc.)
 - Utilities are also available as stand-alone products and as suites

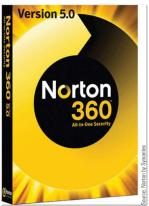


FIGURE 5-20
Utility suites contain a number of related programs.

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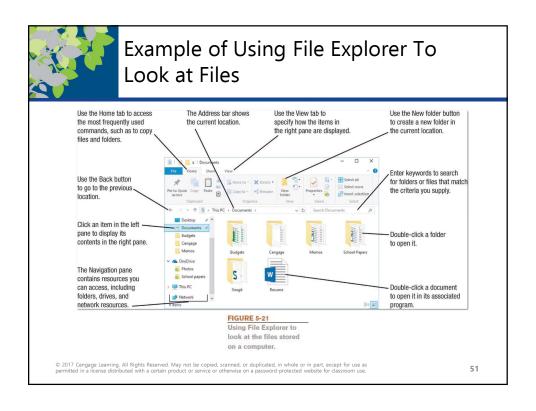
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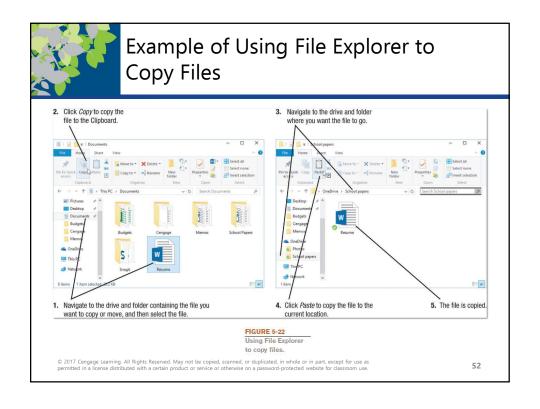


File Management Programs

- File management programs enable the user to perform file management tasks
 - Looking at the folders and files stored on a computer or device
 - Copying and moving files and folders
 - Copy or cut to the Clipboard, and then paste
 - Renaming files and folders
 - Deleting files and folders
 - Deleted files go to the Recycle Bin and can be restored until the Recycle Bin is emptied
- Current versions of Windows include File Explorer

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Search Tools

- Search tools are designed to search for documents and other files on the user's hard drive
 - Can specify search criteria
 - Can search in File Explorer
 - Can search via the Windows 10 taskbar search box



FIGURE 5-23
Using the taskbar search box in Windows 10.

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Diagnostic and Disk Management Programs

- Diagnostic programs evaluate your system and make recommendations for fixing any errors found
- Disk management programs diagnose and repair problems related to your hard drive
 - Check hard drive for errors
 - Disk defragmentation

FIGURE 5-24 Windows disk tools.



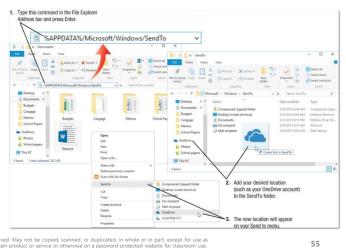
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How It Works

Sending to the Cloud

 How to add locations to the Send To menu





Uninstall and Cleanup Utilities

- Uninstall utilities remove programs from your hard drive without leaving bits and pieces behind
 - Important to properly uninstall programs, not just delete them
 - Built into operating systems and included with some programs
- Cleanup utilities delete temporary files
 - Recycle Bin, temporary Internet and installation files, etc.
 - Windows Disk Cleanup
 - Registry cleaners delete unnecessary items in the Windows registry

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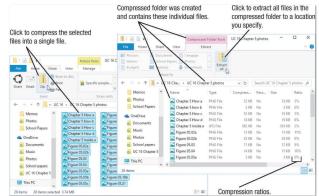


File Compression Programs

• **File compression programs** reduce the size of files to optimize storage space and transmission time

FIGURE 5-25
File compression.
Reduces the size of files so they can be more efficiently stored or transmitted.

- Both zip and unzip files
- Built into recent versions of Windows
- WinZipStuffit



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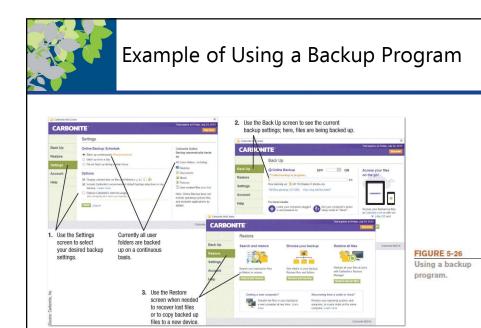
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Backup and Recovery Utilities

- Creating a backup means making a duplicate copy of important files so they can be restored if needed
 - Can backup an entire computer or just certain files
 - Can be stored on a recordable or rewritable DVD disc, a
 USB flash drive, an external hard drive, or in the cloud
 - Backup media should be secured
- Backup and recovery utilities make the backup and restoration process easier
- · Regular backup procedures are critical for businesses
- Individuals should back up any important data and important files before they are modified

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Antivirus, Antispyware, Firewalls, and Other Security Programs

- · Security concerns
 - Viruses, spyware, identity theft, phishing schemes
- Security programs protect computers and users and it is essential that all computer users protect themselves and their computers
 - Antivirus, antispyware, and firewall programs
 - Operating systems are including security software integrated into the operating system
 - Windows Defender, Windows SmartScreen, and Windows Firewall

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The Future of Operating Systems

- · Will likely be:
 - More user-friendly
 - Driven primarily by a voice interface, touch, and/or gesture interface
 - More stable and self-healing
 - Responsive to new security and technological improvements
 - Continuing to improve synchronizing and coordinating data and activities among a person's various computing and communicating devices
 - Used primarily to access software available through the Internet or other networks

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Quick Quiz (3)

- 1. Which type of utility program is used to make a file smaller for transfer over the Internet?
 - a. uninstall program
 - b. antivirus program
 - c. file compression program
- 2. True or False: A file management program can be used to see the files located on a storage medium.
- 3. A(n) _____ is a duplicate copy of one or more files that can be used if there is a problem with the original file(s).

Answers:

1) c; 2) True; 3) backup

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Summary

- System Software vs. Application Software
- · The Operating System
- Operating Systems for Personal Computers and Servers
- Operating Systems for Mobile Phones and Other Devices
- Operating Systems for Larger Computers
- Utility Programs
- The Future of Operating Systems

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