

Information Hunt at the
Computer History Museum

(Sign/Print) Student Name: _____
Date visited: _____

Overview of the Computer History Museum:

<http://www.computerhistory.org/>

1401 N Shoreline Blvd. Mountain View, CA 94043 650.810.1010

Directions: From East Bay via I-880 South:

- 25 Minutes - 20 Miles
- Take I-880 South toward San Jose.
- Merge onto CA-237 West toward Mountain View.
- Merge onto US-101 North toward San Francisco.
- Take Shoreline Blvd exit.
- Turn right onto Shoreline Blvd.
- Cross through intersection.
- Museum is on your right

Admission: \$13.50 for students or \$17.50 for general public, but check with museum.

Visitor Hours: (always check with the museum before going)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
CLOSED	CLOSED	10AM - 5PM	10AM - 5PM	10AM - 8PM	10AM - 5PM	10AM - 5PM

Holiday & Special Hours: (always check with the museum before going)

The mission of the Computer History Museum is to preserve and present for posterity the artifacts and stories of the Information Age.

The Computer History Museum is a nonprofit organization with a four-decade history as the world's leading institution exploring the history of computing and its ongoing impact on society. The Museum is dedicated to the preservation and celebration of computer history and is home to the largest international collection of computing artifacts in the world, encompassing computer hardware, software, documentation, ephemera, photographs, oral histories, and moving images. The Museum brings computer history to life through large-scale exhibits, an acclaimed speaker series, a dynamic website, docent-led tours and an award-winning education program.

The Computer History Museum is a wonderful place to go with friends and family. Expect to spend several hours to see and interact with all the exhibits. Do not just rush through looking for the answers to the information hunt. Remember, this is a completely optional activity outside of the course that you are selecting to do if you go. The Instructor, nor Diablo Valley College, nor the Contra Costa Community College District is NOT responsible nor liable for anything that can occur going to, during, or returning from your museum visit.

20-Question Assignment Sheet "Information Hunt"

A student who participates in extra credit opportunity and completes this **assignment** sheet may earn up to 20 **extra-credit** points. This assignment sheet is in the form of a **hunt** for **information** related to exhibits and videos in the museum's lobby and 20 main rooms. Need to print this assignment sheet and take with you for your visit at the Computer History Museum.

WARNING: Copying another person's assignment sheet is **prohibited** and would constitute an **ethics violation**. Each student must complete their own assignment sheet individually.

Visiting the museum will offer an opportunity both to earn extra-credit and to learn some history of computing. Have a great time and be sure not to miss anything! Please abide by museum rules and be considerate of other visitors.

Please submit your stapled completed 3 page assignment sheet and attach a copy of your museum ticket to your instructor no later than **the last day of the semester that coursework is accepted**.

Room	Question	Answer
Lobby	Near the Google car, what large, early computing device was once on display? (ask museum staff for help)	<u>B</u> _ _ _ _ _ <u>D</u> _ _ _ _ _ <u>E</u> _ _ _ _ _
Lobby	Also near there, what supercomputer make and model is on display?	<u>C</u> - - - = 1_
Orien- tation Theater	According to the video, what type of computers were available in the 1950s?	large m _ _ _ _ _
1	Immediately next to the slide rule exhibit, what is the name of 1 of the 3 mechanical calculators on display?	
2	According to the video, what early computer model did a woman named Jean program?	<u>E</u> _ _ _ _
5, 6, 7	What main memory type was used by both IBM SAGE and IBM System/360 computers?	<u>c</u> _ _ _
7	Fill in the blank: "RAMAC benefited anyone needing swift, _____ access to large amounts of information."	<u>r</u> _ _ _ _ _

8	On which type and size of disk drive is Steve Jobs pictured leaning in 1979? (Circle one from each column.)	<div> <div>Type</div> <div> a. optical b. hard c. floppy </div> </div> <div> <div>Size</div> <div> a. 8 inch b. 5 1/4 inch c. 3 1/2 inch </div> </div>
9	According to a large wall diagram, what high-level programming language (at the far left) gave rise to about 150 other languages?	F _ _ _ _ _
9	According to the video, what is the most widely used language for creating business software?	C _ _ _ _ _
10	According to a plaque, what computer make and model "toppled speed records" in 1964 at 3 million instructions per second?	_ _ _ - 6 _ _ _
11	What minicomputer is on display as "DEC's Blockbuster"?	P - - = 8 _
12	What is the type of logic on which much of computing is based?	B - - - - - _ _ _ _ _
12	What debuted in 1958? The solid, or integrated _____	C - - - - - _ _ _ _ _
14	Which computer brand is displayed between a Silicon Graphics Professional and an Apollo Domain?	P _ _ _ _ Image Computer
15	What networking technique debuted in 1973?	E - - - - - _ _ _ _ _
15	What input and display method was created at Palo Alto Research Center?	W - - - - - (acronym) _ _ _ _ _
16	What initial product "changed gaming forever"?	P - - - _ _ _
17	What 1981 computer inspired "often superior clones"?	I - - _ - C
19	What "gave computers a reliable, efficient way to communicate over unreliable links"?	p _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ g