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1. What is Cloud Computing?

Cloud computing means delivering computing services like storage, networking, databases, and software over the internet instead of using local computers.

2. Why is Cloud Computing Important?

- Reduces hardware cost
- Accessible from anywhere
- Scalable resources
- Faster performance
- Reliable and secure systems

3. Key Features of Cloud Computing

- On-demand self-service
- Broad network access
- Resource pooling
- Rapid elasticity
- Measured service (Pay-as-you-use)

4. Types of Cloud Service Models

- IaaS – Infrastructure as a Service
- PaaS – Platform as a Service
- SaaS – Software as a Service

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5. Types of Cloud Deployment Models

- Public Cloud – Open for all users
- Private Cloud – Used by a single organization
- Hybrid Cloud – Combination of public & private

6. Benefits of Cloud Computing

- Cost-saving
- Automatic updates
- Better collaboration
- High availability
- Strong data backup & recovery

7. Popular Cloud Service Providers

- Amazon Web Services (AWS)
- Microsoft Azure
- Google Cloud Platform (GCP)
- IBM Cloud
- Oracle Cloud

8. Conclusion

Cloud computing makes technology faster, easier, and more scalable. Understanding the basics helps you start your journey into modern IT and digital transformation.