

Know the Mouse

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A mouse is a small device. It is usually kept next to the monitor. It is used to point and select items on the monitor. It also helps to draw pictures on the monitor. A wire connects the mouse to the CPU.

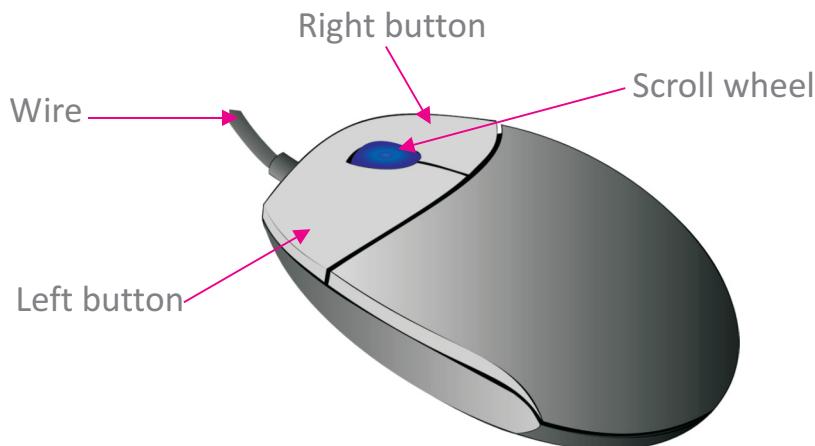
Mouse Buttons

Look at the mouse. It has two buttons (left and right) and a scroll wheel on it.

Left Button : The left mouse button is used for ‘left click’.

Right button : The right mouse button is used for ‘right click’.

Scroll Wheel : This is used to move the screen up and down.



Parts of a Mouse

InfoBit

We keep the mouse on a special seat. We call it a mouse pad. A mouse pad keeps the mouse free from dust and dirt.



Mouse Pointer

When the computer is ON, we see an arrow on the monitor. This arrow is called the **mouse pointer**. When we move the mouse, the pointer also moves on the monitor.



Holding a Mouse

Hold a mouse as shown below.



Correct way to hold a mouse for a right-handed person.



Correct way to hold a mouse for a left-handed person.



Try Out

Circle the correct answer :

1. CPU/Scroll wheel lies between the two buttons of a mouse.
2. The mouse pointer move as we move the monitor/mouse.
3. A wire connects the mouse to the CPU/monitor.

How to Use a Mouse

To make a mouse work, we press its button. Pressing a button of a mouse is called **clicking**.

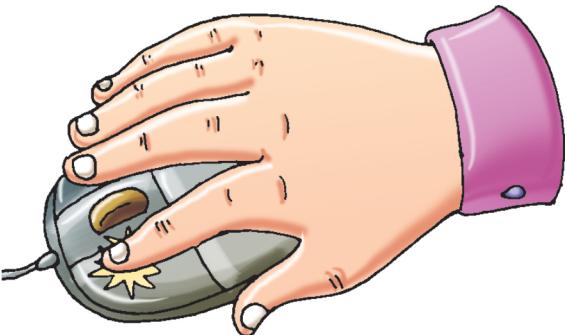
There are four mouse actions.

- Left-click ■ Double-click
- Right-click ■ Drag and drop

Left-click

To **left-click**, gently press the left mouse button once and release it. This action is also called ‘clicking the mouse’.

A click is generally used to select an item on the monitor.



Double-clicking the mouse

Double-click

To **double-click**, gently press the left mouse button twice within a short period of time and release it.

A double-click is generally used to open a window on the computer.

Right-click

To **right-click**, press and release the right mouse button once. Right-clicking shows a list of things one can do, i.e. a list of commands that one can select from.

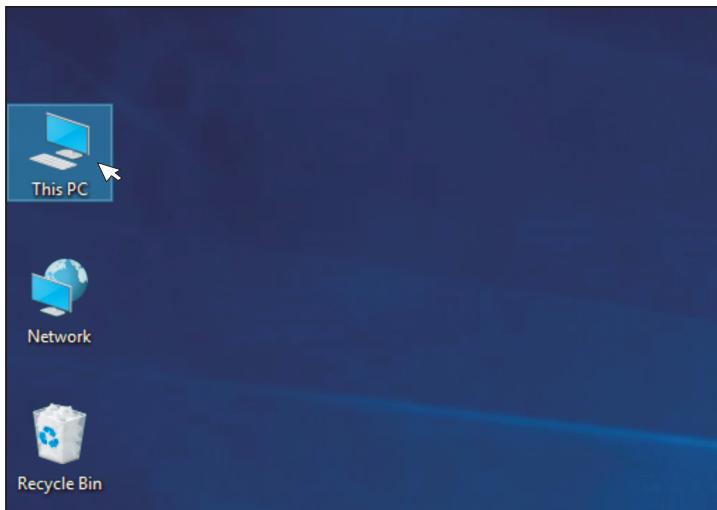


Right-clicking the mouse

Drag-and-drop

The drag-and-drop action is used to move an item from one position to another on the monitor with the help of the mouse.

Step 1 : Place the mouse pointer on the ‘Computer’. Press and hold the left mouse button.

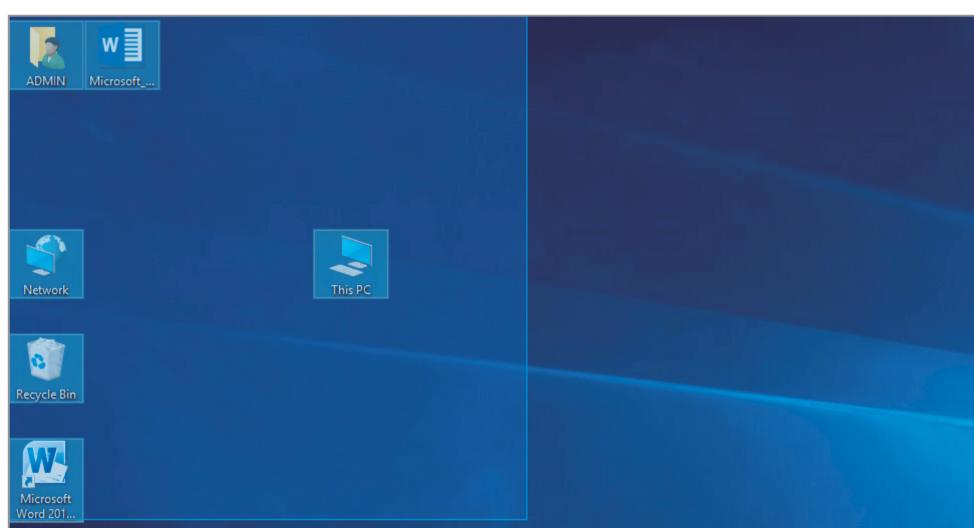


Mouse pointer on the icon



Dragging the icon

Step 3 : Release the mouse button.



Mouse button released to drop the icon.



- A mouse is used to point and select items on the monitor.
- A mouse has two buttons and a scroll wheel on it.
- When we move the mouse, the pointer also moves on the monitor.
- Pressing a button of a mouse is called clicking.
- A left click is generally used to select an item on the monitor.
- A double click is generally used to open a window on the computer.
- Right clicking shows a list of things one can do.
- The drag-and-drop action is used to move an item from one position to another on the monitor with the help of the mouse.



A. Fill in the blanks:

left-click, drop, mouse pad, pointer, double-click

1. A _____ is a special seat for a computer mouse.
2. _____ is generally used to select an object.
3. _____ is generally used to open a window.
4. The arrow on the monitor is called the _____.
5. Releasing the mouse button after drag is called _____.

B. Write 'T' for true and 'F' for false:

1. A mouse helps us to draw pictures.
2. A computer mouse has a scroll wheel in the middle.
3. To select an item, press the left mouse button twice quickly.

4. The pointer move as we move the mouse.
5. A right-click shows a list of things you can do.

C. Tick (✓) the correct option:

1. A mouse is used to:
 - (a) point and select items
 - (b) draw pictures
 - (c) both (a) and (b)
2. A computer mouse has _____ buttons.
 - (a) no
 - (b) one
 - (c) two
3. The small arrow on the monitor is called :
 - (a) tail
 - (b) wire
 - (c) pointer
4. Which of the following is used to select an item?
 - (a) Left-click
 - (b) Double-click
 - (c) Drag-and-drop
5. It shows a list of things one can do.
 - (a) Left-click
 - (b) Double-click
 - (c) Right-click

D. Answer the following questions:

1. Where is the wire of the mouse attached?
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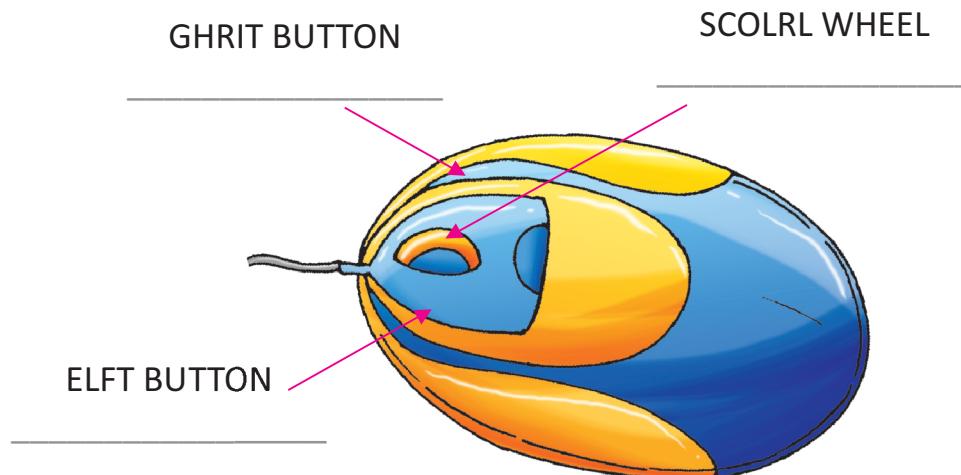
2. Name the buttons on a mouse.
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3. What is a mouse used for?
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4. What is a double-click?
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Activity Corner

A. Rearrange the letters to name the parts of the mouse:



B. Encircle the parts of a mouse and its functions using the help box:

P	L	A	Y	G	A	M	E
O	I	A	M	S	S	E	S
I	L	C	E	P	R	L	E
N	A	L	D	R	A	W	L
T	A	I	L	O	D	E	E
E	Y	C	I	N	W	C	C
R	G	K	T	E	R	T	T

Help Box

Mouse parts & Functions:

Play game; Draw; Click; Select; Tail; Pointer

C. The computer mouse has to be connected to the computer. Draw the path of its wire:

