Computer devices

*People are using different computer devices to connect and use****computer.***

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| laptop.jpg | desktop-everyday.jpg | scanner.jpg |
| **Laptop**  A small portable computer | **Computer**  An electronic machine that can store and process data. | **Scanner**  A device that scans something that is flat and sends the image to the computer. |
| mouse.jpg | fax.jpg | Keyboard-Shorcuts.jpg |
| **Mouse**  A little device that you move with your hand which then moves the cursor on the screen. | **Fax machine**  A machine that is used to send paper document information to another machine. | **Keyboard**  A device which is used to type in letters to the computer. |
| usbpng.png | memorycard2.jpg |  |
| **USB flash drive**  A device which is used to store information, usually of computers. | **Memory card**  A device which is used to store information, usually of video and photo cameras. |  |

**Some examples:**

*If you want to surf on the Internet you use****computer****or a smaller computer and portable one called****laptop****.*

*To type in you use****keyboard****and to click on the desktop-****mouse.***

*If you want to send some paper document to someone****fax machine****is used and to store information****memory cards****and****USB flash drives****are used.*

Media and other technology

Apart from computer technology devices, there are many other devices. Here is the list of common modern media and other devices.

*I love to use technology devices. For example, I call my friends using****mobile phone****, I play video games using****play station****and I listen to music through****stereo****and****mp3 player****. Great!*

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| calculator.jpg | mobilephone.jpg | recover-deleted-files-from-mp3-music-player.jpg |
| **Calculator**  Device which is used to calculate different calculations | **Mobile phone**  Is used to call or text someone | **Mp3 player**  Device which is used to listen to the music |
| radio.jpg | karaoke set.jpg | cd player.jpg |
| **Radio**  Is used to listen to the radio | **Karaoke set**  Device with speakers and microphones which is used to sing karaoke | **CD player**  Device which is used to listen to the music using CD |
| sony-playstation-3-3ej-800.jpg | Tv.png | dvd player.jpg |
| **Playstation**  Is used to play video games | **TV**  Device which is used to watch television, movies and TV-shows | **DVD player**  Is used to watch movies using DVD |
| camerapng.png | stereo.jpg | Tablet-Sky-Multilaser.jpg |
| **Photo camera**  Device which is used to capture images | **Stereo**  Is used to listen to the music | **Tablet**  Is used to surf on the Internet and use it similar like laptop |
| dictaphone.jpg | video camera.jpg | gps.jpg |
| **Dictaphone**  Device which is used to record voice | **Video camera**  Is used to film video | **GPS**  Is a electronic map, which is used to track |
|  | ebook.png |  |
|  | **E-book reader**  Is used to read electronic books |  |

**Some examples:**

*Nowadays it is so easy to live. My grandmother daily watches****TV****and my grandfather listens to the****radio****to hear music and hear the weather news. My mum reads book on her****e-book reader****, but I.. I love my****play station****! I know that sometimes I play it too often and it is such a great device for video games!*

Household appliances

Household technology

The electronic devices which are used in household are called - **household appliances**.

*I am a housewife and my life would not be possible without****household appliances****that help me to cook and to clean house daily.*

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| freezer.jpg | Shomar_P06E1TW_single_cavity_cooker.jpg | refrigirator.jpg |
| **Freezer**  One that freezes, as a thermally insulated cabinet | **Cooker**  Device used to provide heat (either electric or gas) to cook food | **Refrigerator**  Appliance for maintaining food at a low temperature, or producing ice |
| dishwasher.jpg | iron.jpg | dryer.jpg |
| **Dishwasher**  Device that washes dishes | **Iron**  Instrument used for taking the wrinkles out of a piece of clothing through heat | **Dryer**  Device or appliance for removing moisture, as by hot air |
| toaster.jpg | mashing machine.jpg | vacuum cleaner.jpg |
| **Toaster**   Device used to toast bread, esp. by exposure to heat | **Washing machine**  Device used to wash clothes | **Vacuum cleaner**  Appliance using suction to clean surfaces |
| oven.jpg | microwave.jpg |  |
| **Oven**  Chamber or enclosed compartment usually used to cook in, as in a cooker | **Microwave**  A device which is used to warm up the food |  |

**Some examples:**

*I don't know what I'd do without my****dishwasher****. I can't imagine having to wash all those dishes by hand!*

*Honey, where's the****dryer****? I've just taken a shower and I need to dry my hair.*

*He goes shopping and buys enough food to put into his****freezer****for a month.*

*I really don't know how to cook. About the only thing I can do is boil an egg on the****cooker.***

Space vocabulary

This vocabulary is used to talk about Space explorations and investigations.

*We need to ask why Paul devotes so much****space****to the subject in writing to the Corinthians, while saying little about it to other churches.*

**Space**- all room around us, including the galaxy and solar system

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| planet1.jpg | moon1.jpg | telescope1.jpeg |
| **Planet**  A large, round object that orbits a star and shines as it reflects the star’ light. | **Moon**  A small body of rocky material that orbits a planet. | **Telescope**  A special tool which is used to look at stars, planets and other objects in outer space. |
| spaceship.jpg | AlienGetty460.jpg | astronaut1.jpg |
| **Spaceship**  A vehicle that travels in outer space, often with astronauts on board. | **Alien**  Unlike any other, a strange race from outer space or planet. | **Astronaut**  A person that travels and works in space. |
| star1.jpeg | constelation2.jpg | satellite.jpg |
| **Star**    A huge glowing ball of gas in outer space. | **Constellation**  A grouped star combination which makes different symbols and ornaments. | **Satellite**  A machine that rotates around the Earth and sends data back to the planet. |
| rocket.png | spaceshuttle.jpg | galaxy.jpg |
| **Rocket**  A spacecraft that can be shot into outer space. | **Space shuttle**  A spacecraft for carrying people and supplies between Earth and outer space. | **Galaxy**  A huge group of stars in outer space. |
| crater.jpg | meteor.jpg |  |
| **Crater**  A hole in the ground made after meteoroid hitting it. | **Meteor**  A small piece of rock that has entered the Earth's atmosphere, usually making a bright streak of light in the sky. |  |

**Some examples:**

*A****rocket****is the type of plane that****astronauts****used to use to fly into****space****. Now they are used to leave****satellites****in orbit around the Earth. It has a special cylindrical shape so that it can go very fast for a long distance.*

*The****sun****is the star in the middle of our solar system.*

*Some****telescopes****are very powerful and can be used to see thousands of light years away. There are many large powerful****telescopes****in the north of Chile.*

***Astronauts****need to wear space suits because it is very cold in****space****and they do not have oxygen to breath.*

Technology Idioms

**Idioms are phrases which have figurative meaning unlike literal meaning**.

For example, "break a leg" means "good luck" and many others.

There are also many idioms related to technology field. Here is a list of commonly used idioms regarding technology.



**1. Well-oiled machine** - is used to describe something that works very well and effectively.

**2. Light years ahead** - is used to describe someone who is much more ahead others in career, in personal development, etc.

**3. On the same wavelength** - is used to describe people who share the same views and opinions.

**4. Bells and whistles** - are exciting extras for electronic devices, however usually they are useless .

**5. Driven by a motor -** is used to describe people who are too hyperactive and too proactive.

**6. Push the panic button -** is used to describe someone who reacts to the situation by being frightened.

**7. Don't push my buttons** - is a phrase which is usually said to someone who starts to annoy.

**8. Rocket science** - is used to describe something which is complicated. Usually used in a negative meaning.

**9. Hit the airwaves** - is used to describe situation where person is showed in media and on TV in order to tell about something or give interview.

**10. Hold the wire -** is used to tell person not to end the call and wait for the person.

**11. Silver surfer** - is an elderly person who uses the Internet.

**Some examples:**

*My computer works like a****well-oiled machine****.*

*I have no idea why boss promoted her, because I believe you are****light years ahead****of her.*

*Many companies promote computer education to elders to increase****silver surfers****amount in the country.*

*All you need to read are only few chapters, to pass the exam is not a****rocket science!***

*I suppose I have never been****on the same wavelength****with others, all always had other views than I had.*

*After eating the chocolate my sister acts like she is****driven by a motor.***

Computer phrasal verbs

To describe various functions when using computers we can use phrasal verbs. Here are some of the most commonly used phrasal verbs related to computers.



**1. to boot up** - to load (an operating system) and start the initial processes.

**2. to key into** - to enter (data) into a computer by means of a keyboard.

**3. to type in** - to write in by means of a keyboard with types.

**4. to back up** - to make a backup of (a program or file).

**5. to switch on** - to turn on, to start.

**6. to switch off** - to turn off.

**7. to print out** - (of a computer output device, such as a line printer) to produce (printed information).

**8. to power up** - to switch on the power to (a computer system).

**9. to connect up** - to establish telephone communications with or between.

**10. to log on/in** - to enter a computer, system.

**11. to log off** - to exit a computer, system.

**12. to shut down** - to cease to operate or cause to cease operating.

**13. to hack into** - to break into another computer, system or server.

**14. to go down** - to stop operating.

**Some examples:**

Please **print out** for me this document, but first you have to **power up** the computer, because I yesterday it **went down** and I had to **boot it up**. Then when you **switch it on**and you **log in.** When you finish printing, please **shut down** the computer.