

Understanding Parts of a Computer

Chapter 1: Parts of a Computer · Topic 1

Key Concept

The monitor is the screen that shows pictures and words. The keyboard has keys we press to type letters and numbers. The mouse helps us point and click on things on the screen. The CPU (the computer's box) is like the computer's brain.

Together, these parts help the computer show us things and understand what we want it to do.

Some computers, like laptops, combine the monitor, keyboard and CPU into one single device that we can carry around easily.

Knowing the names of computer parts helps us talk about computers and understand how to use them properly and carefully.

Quick Revision Notes

- The monitor is the screen of the computer.
- The keyboard has keys to type letters and numbers.
- The mouse helps us point and click.
- The CPU is like the computer's brain.
- A laptop combines monitor, keyboard and CPU into one device.
- Laptops are easy to carry around.
- Knowing computer parts helps us use them properly.
- Each part of a computer has its own job.

Practice Questions

- 1 Point to the monitor, keyboard, mouse and CPU on a real computer.
- 2 Draw and label the main parts of a computer.
- 3 Name one thing each part of the computer helps us do.
- 4 Tell a friend what the CPU is often called.
- 5 Compare a laptop and a desktop computer.
- 6 List all computer parts you can find at home or school.