

Input and Output Devices

Chapter 1: Input and Output Devices · Topic 1

Key Concept

Input devices help us give information or commands to the computer, like typing on a keyboard or clicking a mouse.

Other input devices include a microphone (for sound) and a scanner (for copying pictures or documents into the computer).

Output devices show us the results of what the computer has processed, like the monitor showing pictures or a printer printing documents.

Speakers are also an output device, letting us hear sound that the computer produces, like music or spoken words.

Quick Revision Notes

- Input devices send information into the computer.
- Keyboard and mouse are input devices.
- Microphone and scanner are also input devices.
- Output devices show us results.
- Monitor and printer are output devices.
- The monitor shows pictures.
- A printer prints documents on paper.
- Speakers let us hear sound output.

Practice Questions

- 1 List three input devices and three output devices.
- 2 Draw a keyboard and label it as an input device.
- 3 Discuss what a printer does.
- 4 Talk about how a microphone works.
- 5 Sort pictures of devices into input and output groups.
- 6 Discuss why we need both input and output devices.