

Discovering Computers 2003 Chapter 6 Objectives

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Define the four categories of output	Describe the uses of speakers and headsets
Identify the different types of display devices	Identify the purpose of data projectors, fax machines, and multifunction devices
Describe factors that affect the quality of a display device	Explain how a terminal is both an input and output device
Identify monitor ergonomic issues	Identify output options for physically challenged users
Explain the differences among various types of printers	

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Discovering Computers 2003 What is Output?

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What is output?

- Data that has been processed into a useful form, called information

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Discovering Computers 2003 What Are Output Devices?

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What is an output device?

- Any hardware component that can convey information to a user

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Discovering Computers 2003 Display Devices

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What is a display device?

- Television-like
- Information on a display device sometimes is called soft copy

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What is a CRT monitor?

- Large sealed, glass screen
- Screen coated with tiny dots of phosphor material
- Pixel, or picture element, is single point in electronic image
- Three dots (red, blue, and green) combine to make up each pixel

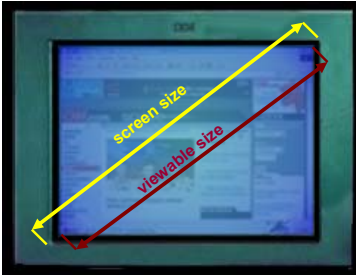
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What are typical sizes for CRT monitors?

- 15, 17, 19, 21, and 22 inch screen size
- Viewable size is diagonal measurement of actual viewing area provided by the monitor




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What is a liquid crystal display (LCD) monitor?

- Type of flat-panel display
- Uses liquid crystals between two sheets of material to present information on screen
- Electric current passes through crystals, which creates images on the screen




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Where are some features of LCD screens?

- Lightweight and compact
- Consumes less than one-third of the power than does a CRT monitor
- Ideal for notebook and handheld computers



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What is a Web-enabled device?

- Allows access to the Web or e-mail
 - Cellular telephones
 - Pagers
- Many use monochrome LCD displays to save battery power




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What is an electronic book (e-book) ?

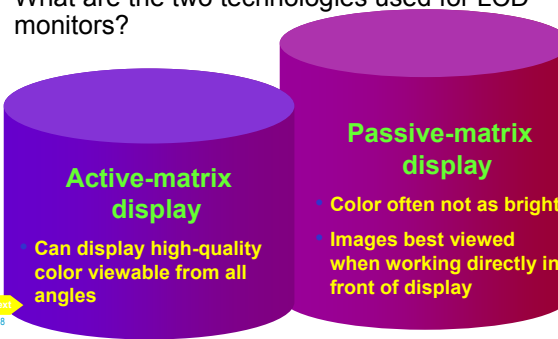
- Small, book-sized computer that uses an LCD screen
- Allows users to read, save, highlight, bookmark, and add notes to online text
- Download new book content from Web



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What are the two technologies used for LCD monitors?



- Active-matrix display**
 - Can display high-quality color viewable from all angles
- Passive-matrix display**
 - Color often not as bright
 - Images best viewed when working directly in front of display


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Display Devices

What is a gas plasma monitor?

- Flat-panel display uses layer of gas plasma between two sheets of material
- Larger screen sizes and higher display quality than LCD, but much more expensive



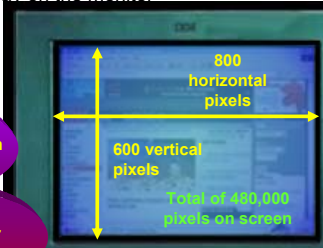
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Display Devices

What is display resolution?

- Describes the sharpness and clarity of image
- The higher the resolution, the sharper the image and the more that can display on the monitor



800 x 600 most common

1280 x 1024 maximum resolution of most monitors

2048 x 1536 maximum for high-end monitors

800 horizontal pixels

600 vertical pixels

Total of 480,000 pixels on screen


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Display Devices

What is dot pitch?

- Measure of the distance between pixels
- Sometimes called pixel pitch
- Smaller the distance between the pixels, the sharper the image



Use a monitor with a dot pitch of .29 millimeters or lower to minimize eye fatigue


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Display Devices

What is refresh rate?

- Speed at which monitor redraws images on the screen



Should be fast enough to maintain a constant, flicker-free image

High-quality monitor will provide refresh rate of at least 75 hertz

Image on the screen redraws itself 75 times per second


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Display Devices

What is a video card?

- Converts digital output from computer into analog video signal
- Controls how display device produces picture
- Also called graphics card or video adapter



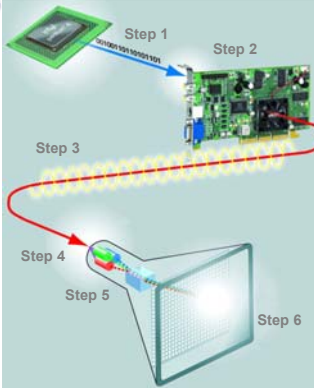
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Display Devices

How does video travel from the processor to a CRT monitor?

- 1: Processor sends digital data to video card
- 2: Video card converts digital data to analog signal
- 3: Analog signal sent via cable to CRT monitor
- 4: CRT separates signal into red, green, and blue signals
- 5: Electron guns fire color signals to front of CRT
- 6: Image displays



Step 1: Processor sends digital data to video card

Step 2: Video card converts digital data to analog signal

Step 3: Analog signal sent via cable to CRT monitor

Step 4: CRT separates signal into red, green, and blue signals

Step 5: Electron guns fire color signals to front of CRT

Step 6: Image displays

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Display Devices

What is **bit depth**?

- Number of bits a video card uses to store information about each pixel
- Also called **color depth**
- Determines number of colors a video card can display
- Greater the number of bits, better the resulting image

8-bit video card

Uses 8 bits to store information about each pixel

Can display 256 different colors

24-bit video card

Uses 24 bits to store information about each pixel

Can display 16.7 million colors

$2^8 =$
 $2 \times 2 \times$
 $2 \times 2 \times$
 $2 \times 2 \times$
 $2 \times 2 =$
256
colors

$2^{24} =$
16.7 million
colors

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Display Devices

What are video standards?

- Video Electronics Standards Association (VESA) develops video standards

Standard	Suggested Resolution	Possible Simultaneous Colors
Monochrome Display Adapter (MDA)	720 x 350	1 for text
Video Graphics Array (VGA)	640 x 480	16
	320 x 200	256
Extended Graphics Array (XGA)	1024 x 768	256
	640 x 480	65,536
Super Video Graphics Array (SVGA)	800 x 600	16.7 million
	1024 x 768	16.7 million
	1280 x 1024	16.7 million
	1600 x 1200	16.7 million
Beyond SVGA	1920 x 1440	16.7 million
	2048 x 1536	16.7 million

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What are various video card configurations?

Video Memory	Color Depth	Number of Colors	Resolution
1 MB	8-bit	256	1024 x 768
	16-bit	65,536	800 x 600
2 MB	8-bit	256	1024 x 768
	16-bit	65,536	1280 x 1024
4 MB	24-bit	16.7 million	800 x 600
	24-bit	16.7 million	1024 x 768
6 MB	24-bit	16.7 million	1280 x 1024
8 MB	32-bit	16.7 million	1600 x 1200
16 MB	32-bit	16.7 million	1920 x 1440
32 MB	32-bit	16.7 million	2048 x 1536

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Display Devices

What is **electromagnetic radiation (EMR)**?

- Magnetic field that travels at speed of light
- Small amount produced by all CRT monitors

Sit at arm's length from CRT

EMR is greatest on sides and back of CRT monitor

LCD monitors do not pose this risk

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What is the **ENERGY STAR®** program?

- Program to encourage manufacturers to create energy-efficient devices that require little power when not in use
- Monitors and devices meeting guidelines display ENERGY STAR® label

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What is **Interactive TV**?

- Two-way communications technology in which users interact with television programming
- HDTV works directly with interactive TV

Select a movie from a central library of movies

Bank

Play games

Shop

Vote or respond to network questionnaires

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Printers

What is a printer?

- Output device that produces text and graphics on paper
- Result is **hard copy**, or **printout**
- Two orientations

portrait orientation

landscape orientation

Play Auditions...
...for Grease!

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The Harbor Theatre Company will be holding auditions.

	Q1 2003	Q2 2003	Q3 2003	Q4 2003	Q1 2004
Revenue	\$100,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$180,000.00	\$200,000.00
Expenses					
Advertising	\$10,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$20,000.00
Rent	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Utilities	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Salaries	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Total Expenses	\$77,000.00	\$84,000.00	\$102,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$147,000.00
Net Income	\$23,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$48,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$53,000.00

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Printers

What is an impact printer?

- Forms characters by striking a mechanism against ink ribbon that physically contacts paper
- Ideal for printing multipart forms
- Can withstand dusty environments, vibrations, and extreme temperatures

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Printers

What is a dot-matrix printer?

- Impact printer that produces printed images when tiny wire pins on print head mechanism strike inked ribbon
- Most use continuous-form paper

continuous-form paper

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Printers

How does a dot-matrix printer work?

- When ribbon presses against paper, it creates dots that form characters and graphics
- A higher number of pins (9 to 24) means printer prints more dots per character, which results in higher print quality

dots form characters

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Printers

What is a line printer?

- High-speed impact printer that prints entire line at a time
- Speed measured by number of lines per minute (lpm) it can print
- **Band printer** prints fully-formed characters using a hammer mechanism
- **Shuttle-matrix printer** is high-speed printer that works more like a dot-matrix printer

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Printers

What is a non-impact printer?

- Forms characters and graphics on piece of paper without actually striking paper

ink-jet printer

thermal printer


laser printer

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What is an ink-jet printer?

- Nonimpact printer forms characters and graphics by spraying tiny drops of liquid ink onto piece of paper
- Most popular type of color printer for home use

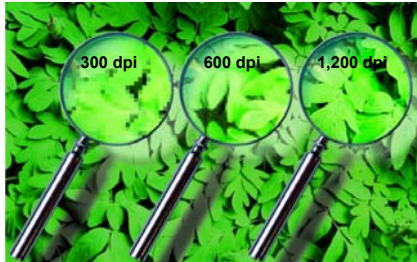


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What is the resolution of a printer?

- Sharpness and clarity of characters
- Measured by number of dots per inch (dpi) printer can output

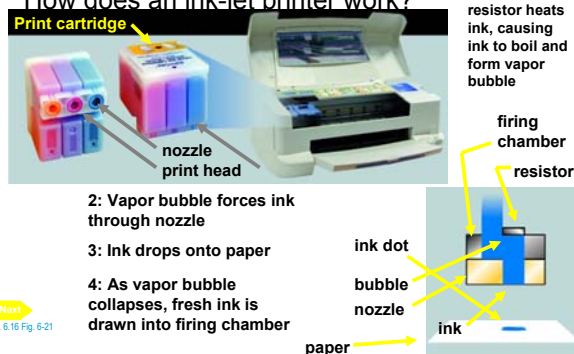


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How does an ink-jet printer work?

Print cartridge



1: Small resistor heats ink, causing ink to boil and form vapor bubble

2: Vapor bubble forces ink through nozzle

3: Ink drops onto paper

4: As vapor bubble collapses, fresh ink is drawn into firing chamber

Labels: nozzle print head, firing chamber, resistor, ink dot, bubble, nozzle, ink, paper

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What is a laser printer?

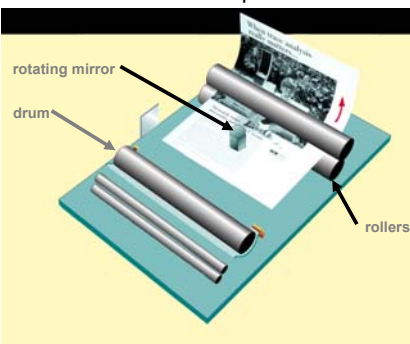
- High-speed, high-quality nonimpact printer
- Prints text and graphics in very high-quality resolution, ranging from 600 to 1,200 dpi
- Typically costs more than ink-jet printer, but is much faster



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How does a laser printer work?



1: Drum rotates as paper is fed through

2: Mirror deflects laser beam across surface of drum

3: Laser beam creates charge that causes toner to stick to drum

4: As drum rotates, toner transfers from drum to paper

5: Rollers use heat and pressure to fuse toner to paper


Labels: rotating mirror, drum, rollers

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What is a thermal printer?

- Generates images by pushing electrically heated pins against heat-sensitive paper
- Ideal for small devices, such as adding machines



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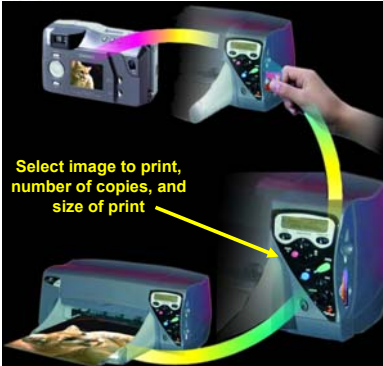
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Printers

What is a photo printer?

- Color printer that produces photo lab quality pictures and prints everyday documents

Select image to print, number of copies, and size of print



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Printers

What is a label printer?

- Small printer that prints on adhesive type material that can be placed on a variety of items
- Most also print bar codes and e-stamps



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Printers

What is a portable printer?

- Small, lightweight ink-jet or thermal printer that allows mobile user to print from notebook or handheld computer while traveling

portable printer



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Printers

What is a plotter?

- Sophisticated printer used to produce high-quality drawings
- **Large-format printer** similar to plotter and is used to print quality color prints

plotter



large-format printer



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Speakers and Headsets

What is an audio output device?

- Computer component that produces music, speech, and other sounds
- Speakers and headsets are common devices

speakers



woofer

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Speakers and Headsets

What is voice output?

- Computer talks to you through speakers on computer

RealPlayer



link to audio broadcast

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Speakers and Headsets

What is **Internet telephony**?

- Allows you to have a conversation over the Web, just as if you were talking on the telephone




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Other Output Devices

What is a **data projector**?

- Device that takes image from a computer screen and projects it onto a larger screen




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Other Output Devices

What is a **facsimile (fax) machine**?

- Device that transmits and receives documents over telephone lines




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Other Output Devices

What is a **fax modem**?

- Modem that allows you to send and receive electronic documents as faxes




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Other Output Devices

What is a **multifunction device (MFD)**?

- Provides the functionality of a printer, scanner, copy machine, and fax machine



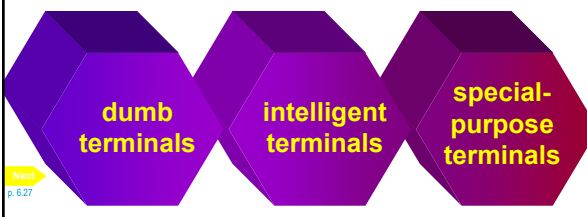
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Terminals

What is a **terminal**?

- Device that performs both input and output



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Terminals

What is a **dumb terminal**?

- Has a keyboard and monitor, but no processor or memory
- Connects to host computer that performs processing and then sends output back

keyboard and monitor



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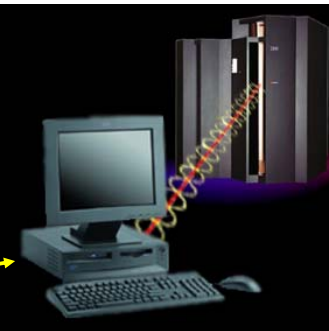
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Terminals

What is an **intelligent terminal**?

- Has monitor, keyboard, memory and processor
- Similar to a PC in that it can perform tasks independent of host computer
- Programmable

host computer



intelligent terminal

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Terminals

What is a **point-of-sale (POS) terminal**?

- Records purchases at point where purchase is made
- Output from POS terminals serves as input to host computer

POS terminal in a grocery store



scanner and keyboard are input

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Terminals

What is an **automated teller machine (ATM)**?

- Self-service banking machine that connects to host computer through telephone network



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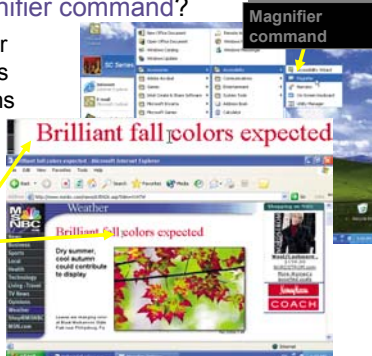
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Output Devices for Physically Challenged Users

What is the **Magnifier** command?

- Windows Magnifier command enlarges text and other items in window on screen

Magnifier command



Location of mouse pointer magnified at top of screen

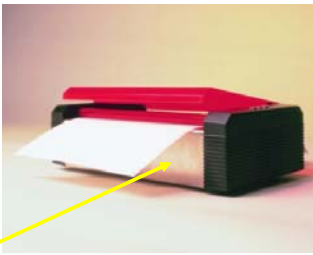
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Output Devices for Physically Challenged Users

What other output options are available for visually impaired users?

- Change Window's settings such as increasing size or changing color of text to make words easier to read
- Blind users can work with voice output
- Braille printer outputs information in Braille onto paper



Braille printer


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Summary

What are suggested output devices for the Home user?

Home



- ☐ 17- or 19-inch color CRT monitor
- ☐ High-definition television
- ☐ Ink-jet color printer; or photo printer; or label printer
- ☐ Speakers and headset


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What are suggested output devices for the SOHO user?

Small Office/Home Office



- ☐ 19- or 21-inch color CRT monitor
- ☐ Color LCD display for handheld computer
- ☐ Multifunction device; or ink-jet color printer; or laser printer, black and white
- ☐ Label printer
- ☐ Fax machine
- ☐ Speakers and headset

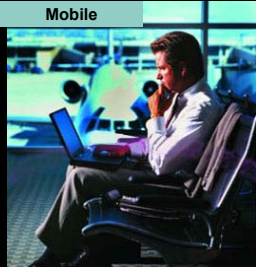
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Putting It All Together

What are suggested output devices for the Mobile user?

Mobile



- ☐ 15.4-inch color LCD display with notebook computer
- ☐ 19-inch color CRT monitor for notebook computer docking station
- ☐ Color LCD display for handheld computer
- ☐ Portable printer
- ☐ Ink-jet color printer; or laser printer, black and white, for in-office use; or photo printer
- ☐ Fax modem
- ☐ Headset
- ☐ DLP data projector

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Putting It All Together

What are suggested output devices for the Large Business user?

Large Business



- ☐ 19- or 21-inch color CRT or LCD monitor
- ☐ 15.4-inch color LCD display for notebook computer
- ☐ Color LCD display for handheld computer
- ☐ Laser printer, black and white
- ☐ Line printer (for large reports from mainframe)
- ☐ Label printer
- ☐ Fax machine or fax modem
- ☐ Speakers and headset
- ☐ DLP data projector
- ☐ Dumb terminal


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What are suggested output devices for the Power user?

Power



- ☐ 21-inch color LCD monitor
- ☐ Laser printer
- ☐ Plotter
- ☐ Photo printer; or dye sublimation printer
- ☐ Fax machine or fax modem
- ☐ Speakers and headset

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Summary of Output

- What is output?
- What are output devices?
- Display devices
- Printers
- Speakers and headsets
- Other output devices
- Terminals
- Output devices for physically challenged users

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