

Introduction to Computer Technology
Unit One – Computer Components
Interview (30 Points)

In order for you to see how technology has changed over the past few decades, I am asking you to interview a family member or a friend of the family that is **at least 40 years old**. This family member can be your parents, grandparents, aunt, uncle, or simple a friend of the family. You will ask them the following questions in your interview and then you will be required to word process the responses into complete sentences to form a well-written paragraph. The following is the information that is required to earn your points. Spelling and grammar do count for your final paragraph that will be submitted.

1. Who are you interviewing (name) and what is their relationship to you?

You will ask the following questions:

2. How was life different without a computer being used for everything?

3. How did you complete your homework in middle school?

4. How did you communicate with each other when you were a child?

5. What did you do for fun when you were young?

6. What types of games did you play when you were a child?

7. How did teachers make copies of papers at your school when you were young?

8. Did you have computers in your middle school for student use? If yes, what types of classes were they used in?

9. How and when were you first introduced to computers?

10. How have televisions changed since you were in middle school?

11. How have radios changed since you were in middle school?

12. What is your occupation?

13. Do you use a computer at your current job? If yes, would it be possible to do your job without a computer? (explain)

14. What is one positive aspect about computers and technology?

15. What is one negative aspect about computers and technology?

16. Any additional comments?

Many responses may be short, one or two word answers – this is not enough information for you to complete this assignment. It is your responsibility when you conduct your interview to get them to expand on their answers, ask more questions to get a complete answer. This will make your job a lot easier when you go to construct your paragraph. Be sure you are writing in complete sentences. Be prepared to share your paragraph with the class.