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Creating Media — Digital writing

Unit introduction

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During this unit, you will...

Look at how to interact with a computer using a keyboard and mouse.

Change the look of the text that you enter on the computer.

Compare writing on a computer to writing on paper.



Today **you** are you! That's <u>truer</u> than <mark>true!</mark>

Lesson 1: Exploring the keyboard

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Lesson objective: To use a computer to write

- I can open a word processor
- I can recognise keys on a keyboard
- I can identify and find keys on a keyboard

Making changes to text

Key vocabulary

- Word processor
- Keyboard
- Keys

- Letters
- Google Docs
- Microsoft Word

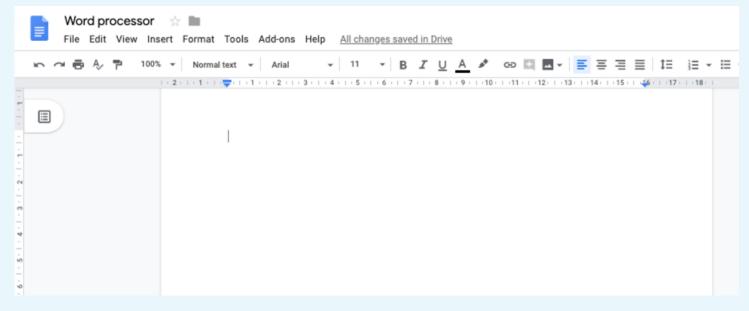
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With a partner...



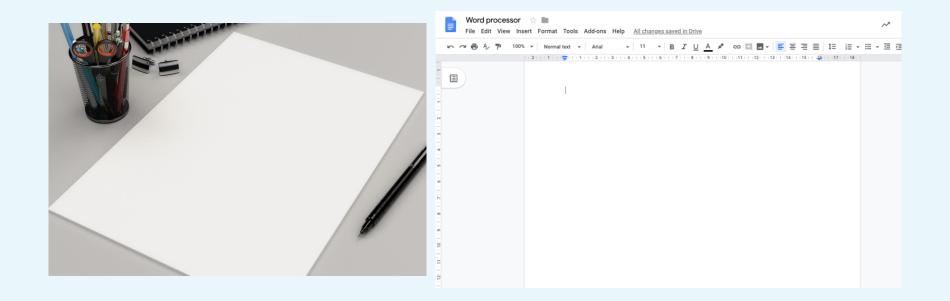
Question: What can you use to create writing?

Think, pair, share



What is this?

Have you used anything like this before?



They are both pages that you can write on!

Think, pair, share

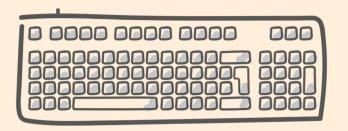
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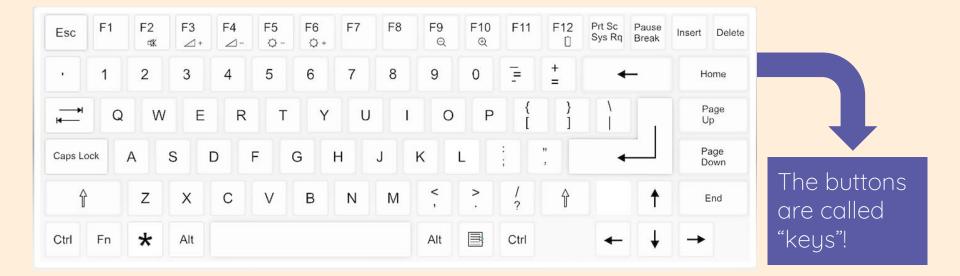
What could you use this for?

Think, pair, share

Which part of the computer could you use to add letters to your pages?

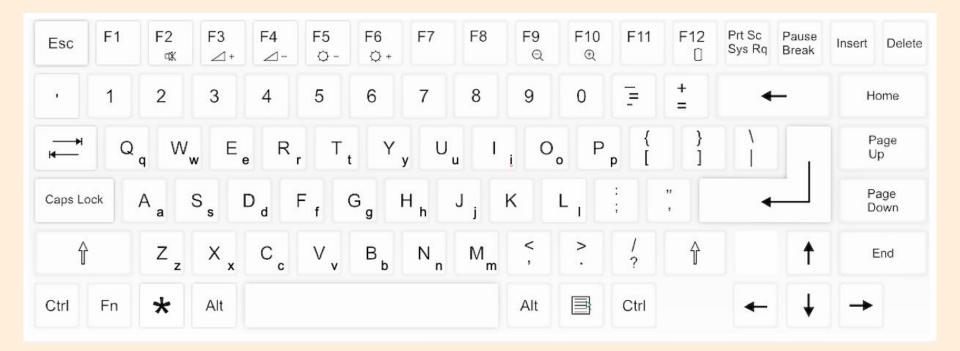






What do you notice about the keyboard?

Find and colour the letters of your name



Log in to the computer and open the word processor

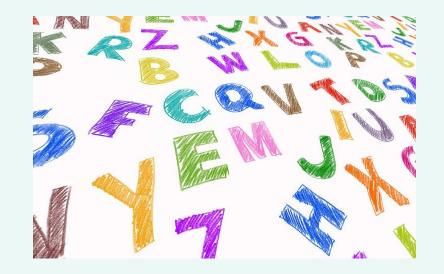


Can you press the keys on the keyboard to write...

• The letters <u>a</u>, <u>b</u>, <u>c</u>, <u>d</u>, <u>e</u> and <u>f</u>?

• Your name?

• A friend's name?



Explorer task

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What do these keys do?

Time to finish!

• Close your word processor using the x in the top right-hand corner.

• Click 'Don't Save' if it asks you to save!

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• Log off your computer.

Plenary

With a partner...

• What did you like about using the computer to write?

• Was anything tricky about using the keyboard?

• Can you share your partner's answers?



How confident are you? (1-3)

- I can open a word processor
- I can recognise keys on a keyboard
- I can identify and find keys on a keyboard



Next lesson

In this lesson, you...

Explored the way that the keyboard looks and identified some keys. You also used the keyboard to write letters and names.

Next lesson, you will...

Use the keyboard to write text onto the page and use the backspace key to remove text from the page.