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Purchasing a Computer

In order to purchase a computer, there are many things you will need to take into consideration. First of all, in order to even consider wanting to buy a computer, you will need to know what you wish to use the machine for. You can use it to play games or to just surf the internet, for this example let us use the gaming aspect of the usage. If you wish to purchase a computer that is solely for gaming, you will need a processor, a strong one at that, that can run pretty fast, fast being around 2-3 Ghz, some RAM, preferably around 4-8 GB. Another question to consider is if you want to be portable or rooted to one location, in this example we will use the portable option. Now you would consider buying a laptop, for it is strong enough to handle the taxing load a game will put upon it. If it were for surfing the web or word editing, a simple netbook or notebook computer would have sufficed. Now you will need to consider cost. Most fast and efficient computers usually fare around the 700 to 1500 dollar price range. You need to remember that the processor, the RAM, now you want some ports to work with, maybe a HDMI or DVI port to attach it to a screen or monitor for more size, USB ports to attach external mice and keyboards. A DVD or CD-ROM to put CD’s into it. There are a lot of things to consider while looking for a computer. Processors, RAM, and ports are the major parts for a laptop or any computer in general. Now let’s look at Hard Drive space. The hard drive is the place you will be saving your stuff, capacity is a good thing to look for, and if it’s magnetic then speed too, maybe 5400 rpm will suffice, but that’s going a little far, 500 GB’s will be fine for our endeavors.

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