

# Computers

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## Belt Loop

### **Complete these three requirements:**

1. Explain these parts of a personal computer: central processing unit (CPU), monitor, keyboard, mouse, modem, and printer.
2. Demonstrate how to start up and shut down a personal computer properly.
3. Use your computer to prepare and print a document.

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### **Earn the Computers belt loop, and complete five of the following requirements:**

1. Use a computer to prepare a report on a subject of interest to you. Share it with your den.
2. Make a list of 10 devices that can be found in the home that use a computer chip to function.
3. Use a computer to maintain a balance sheet of your earnings or allowance for four weeks.
4. Use a spreadsheet program to organize some information.
5. Use an illustration, drawing, or painting program to create a picture.
6. Use a computer to prepare a thank-you letter to someone.
7. Log on to the Internet. Visit the Boy Scouts of America homepage (<http://www.scouting.org>).
8. Discuss personal safety rules you should pay attention to while using the Internet.
9. Practice a new computer game for two weeks. Demonstrate an improvement in your scores.
10. Correspond with a friend via e-mail. Have at least five e-mail replies from your friend.
11. Visit a local business or government agency that uses a mainframe computer to handle its business. Explain how computers save the company time and money in carrying out its work.