Computer History Internet Scavenger Hunt

1. What is an abacus?

2. What was it used for?

3. Who is considered the “father of computers?” Why is he considered the father of computers?

4. Which company became International Business Machines (IBM)? What did they sell?

5. Which computer is considered the first “PC” or personal computer?

6. How many transistors did the ENIAC computer have when it was built?

7. What was the first computer to use Computer Chips (made out of transistors)?

8. What is Moore’s Law?

9. How many transistors did the Intel 286 processor have in 1982?

10. How many transistors did an Intel Pentium processor have in 1993?

11. Physically how big was the 1993 Intel Pentium chip?

12. What was the processing speed of the original Pentium chip? (in MHz)

13. What is the current processing speed of a “decent” computer? (in GHz)

14. What year was the computer mouse invented? Who invented it?

15. What year was email invented? Who invented it?

16. Where did Bill Gates go to college?

17. What was the first mass-produced program written by Bill Gates’ company “Micro Soft”?

18. What year did was Windows first introduced by Microsoft?

19. What was the name of the first apple computer and how much did it cost.

20. Who invented it?
21. Which early commercial printer has its own musical album?

22. The first person to actually program a “thinking machine” was a man or a woman?

23. Around which year did the military start using computers to make wartime calculations?

24. What is an Intranet?

25. What is an Internet?

26. What was the first working version of the Internet called? What year did it come online?

27. Where were the first 4 Interface Message Processors (IMP's) located?

28. What are the Internet responsibilities of the W3C?

29. What was the first video game console? What year was it invented? Who invented it?

30. What was the first smartphone? What ‘smart’ functions did it do?