Computer essentials

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1 **_Look at these extracts from reviews on a consumer website. Which piece of hardware is each extract describing? Choose from the drop-down menu._**

1   Available in 15" or 21" models, … [_____]

2   With both wired and wireless versions to choose from, … [_____]

3   … you can back up over 4GB of data in minutes. [_____]

4   … , and the pages per minute increases for black and white jobs. [_____]

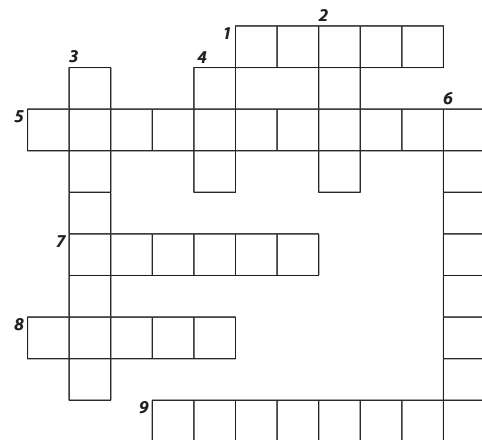5   … surprisingly at this price, it even works in very low light conditions. [_____]

2 **_Complete the crossword by typing in the words._**

ACROSS

1   The data that goes into a computer.

5   Often attached to the computer via a USB connector.

7   Information from the computer, presented on the monitor, through the speakers or on the printer.

8   Hard _____ or DVD _____ .

9   The physical parts of a computer.

DOWN

2   A socket on the computer for an external device.

3   Probably the most used input device, along with the mouse.

4   Otherwise known as the 'brain' of the computer. (Abbreviation)

6   Programs, for example Microsoft Word or Apple iTunes.

3 **_Look at these extracts from emails to an online helpdesk. Which type of computer is each person talking about? Choose from the drop-down menu._**

1   I dropped it as I was getting out of a taxi, and now it won't turn on. [_____]

2   I lost the stylus. Is it safe to use a pencil to input directly onto the screen? [_____]

3   As soon as it went offline, every PC on the network crashed. [_____]

4   I was rotating the screen round to show something to a colleague, and now it won't move. [_____]

5   Can you send someone down to show me the best position for my monitor and keyboard? I want to avoid getting any back or neck problems. [_____]

   Now listen to the sentences.

4 **_Which prepositions are used with the following words? Choose from the drop-down menu._**

1   classify [_____]   3   consist [_____]   5   class [_____]

2   divide [_____]   4   type [_____]

5 **_Complete this description of a basic PC system by typing in words from the box._**

into   classes   type   consists   divided

A basic PC system can be (1) [_____] into two main parts: hardware and software. Software basically means computer programs; for example, your media player is a (2) [_____] of software. Hardware, on the other hand, (3) [_____] of mechanical and electronic equipment. It can be divided (4) [_____] three main types: the CPU, main memory and peripherals. There are three main (5) [_____] of peripheral: input devices (keyboard, mouse, etc.), output devices (monitor, printer, etc.) and storage devices (DVD drives, flash drives, etc.).