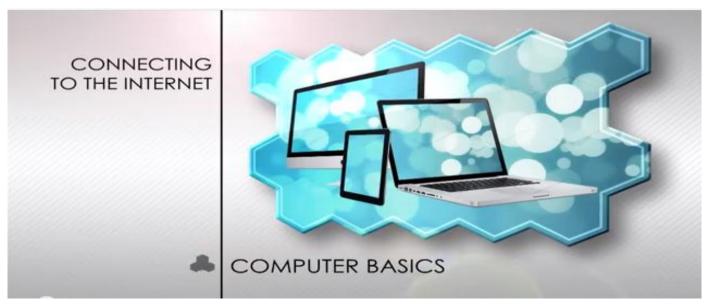


## The "Internet"

# Software/Hardware needed to connect to the Internet

• Before you can connect to the Internet, you need certain hardware and software in place, and you must choose a company to provide access to the Internet.



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#### Various Types Of Internet Connections

| Internet Connection                     | Description   | Notes   |
|---|---|---|
| dial-up access                          | The modem attached to the computer<br>uses a standard telephone line to<br>connect to the Internet                              | A dial-up connection is slow-speed<br>technology  |
| cable                                   | A cable company that provides TV<br>service also provides Internet<br>connection on the cable, instead of<br>using a phone line | This is a type of broadband service and<br>is faster than a dial-up connection  |
| Digital Subscriber Line<br>(DSL)        | A high-speed Internet connection using<br>regular copper telephone lines  | DSL offers a higher-speed broadband<br>Internet connection  |
| broadband satellite                     | A high-speed connection to the<br>Internet via satellite  |   |
| 3G/4G                                   | High-speed wireless connections for<br>smartphones, tablets and other devices   |   |
| Wireless Fidelity (Wi-Fi)               | A network uses radio signals to provide<br>Internet connections to wireless<br>computers and devices                            | Wi-Fi hotspots are located in many<br>public places<br>If your computer is in range of a<br>hotspot, your computer finds the<br>connection automatically, giving you<br>free Internet service |
| FiOS (Fiber-Optic<br>Service) broadband | The newest type of Internet connection<br>It connects to the Internet using light<br>pulses over a fiber-optic network          | The advantage of FiOS is that it can<br>provide higher speeds than traditional<br>copper wire connections such as DSL or<br>cable   |

#### Modem

- Once you have your computer, you really don't need much additional hardware to connect to the Internet. The primary piece of hardware you need is a modem.
- The type of Internet access you choose will determine the type of modem you need. Dial-up access uses a telephone modem, DSL service uses a DSL modem, cable access uses a cable modem, and satellite service uses a satellite adapter. Your ISP may give you a modem—often for a fee—when you sign a contract, which helps ensure that you have the right kind of modem. However, if you would prefer to shop for a better or less expensive modem, you can choose to buy one separately.





- A router is a hardware device that allows you to connect several computers and other devices to a single Internet connection, which is known as a home network. Many routers are wireless, allowing you to easily create a wireless network.
- You don't necessarily need to buy a router to connect to the Internet. It's possible to connect your computer directly to your modem using an Ethernet cable. Also, many modems now include a built-in router, so you have the option of creating a network without having to buy more hardware.

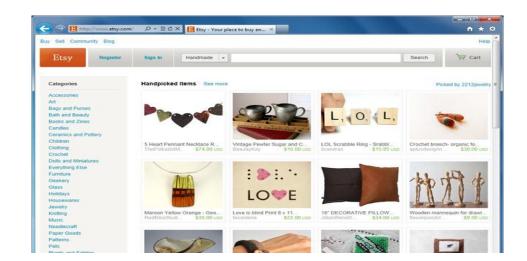


#### Network card

- A network card is a piece of hardware that allows computers to communicate over a computer network. Most newer computers have a network card built into the motherboard, so it probably isn't something you'll need to purchase. The network card will have an Ethernet port, a wireless connection, or both.
- If you have a laptop with a wireless connection, you can access the Internet at any place that offers a Wi-Fi connection. Many restaurants, coffee shops, bookstores, hotels, and other businesses offer free Wi-Fi. In addition, many cities provide free Wi-Fi in public areas such as parks and downtown areas.

#### **Web Browsers**

 A web browser is the tool you use to access the Web. The browser's main job is to display webpages. It also lets you create bookmarks sometimes called Favorites—for sites you like so you can easily find them again later.



## Classwork

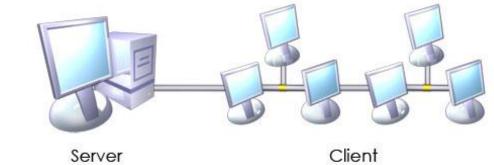
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## The client/server model



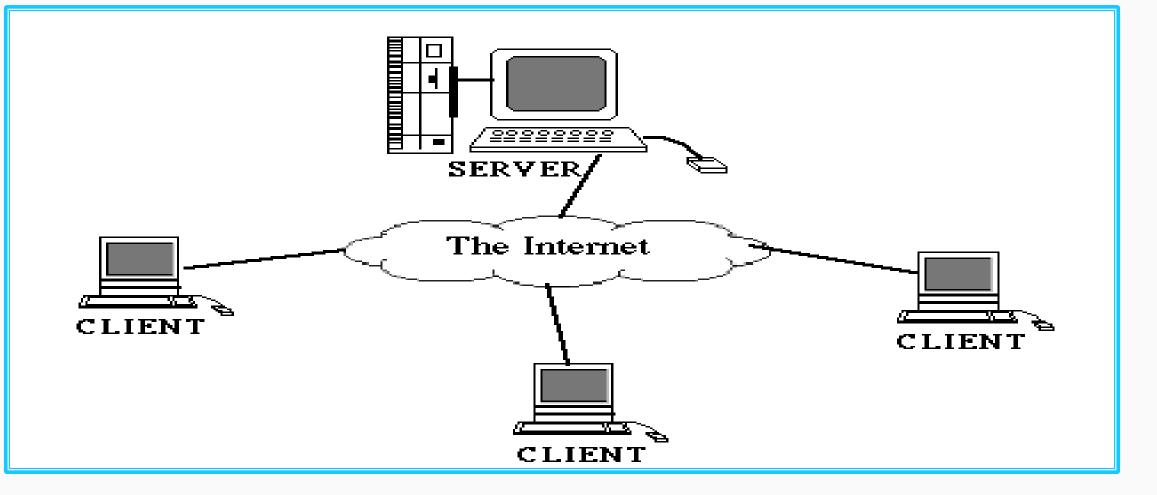
- Many networks are structured using the client/server model, in which individual computers and devices, called nodes, interact with one another through a central server to which they are all connected.
- The client/server model divides processing and storage tasks between the client and the server.
- **Client**-an individual computer connected to a network
- Server-A computer in a network that manages the network resources and provides, or serves, information to clients

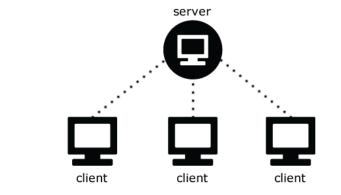


# The client/server model

- The server is more powerful than the individual computers, or clients, connected it.
- The server is responsible for storing and presenting information.
- Client/server model processes information as follows:
  - A client requests information from a shared file stored on the server 1.
  - The server processes the request, locates the requested information and 2. sends the information to the client
  - 3. The client uses or processes the data as needed

### Client/server relationship





# The client/server model

- In a client/server environment, client programs run on the computer nodes and interact with a server program running on the server.
- A network can accommodate more than one server.
- Specific servers can be dedicated to making certain resources available to clients.
- These resources can included printers, applications and documents.
- Types of servers include:
  - Network servers, which manage the flow of data between them and client nodes
  - Print servers, which store shared data
  - Web servers, which manage access to the World Wide Web
  - Email severs which manage electronic mail

# Client/server model example

- Email is a technology that uses the client/server model.
- To use email you must
  - Install and configure an email client/program on your computer
  - You can type an email, edit it repeatedly before sending, and work offline until your ready to access the network connection (Internet) and send
  - When you send the message, the email client computer connects to the network or Internet, transmit the message to an email server, and close the connection,
  - The message recipient can connect to his or her email server through a network or the Internet to retrieve the message