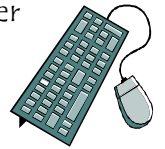
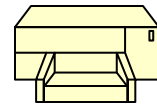


Input and Output Devices

Input and Output devices are all main parts of the computer, they allow us to enter and get the information. An input device is a type of hardware, which is used to enter data into a computer system. An output device is a type of hardware used to communicate the result of data processed by the CPU. Examples of input devices are QWERTY keyboard, mouse, tracker ball, joystick, and light pen. An output device is used to communicate the result of data processing which is done by the CPU. The most common type of output is a monitor (V.D.U.) other output devices consist of printer's (laser, inkjet, dot matrix), sound synthesizers, microfilms and plotters.



Output devices which I have used during this project are a monitor for seeing what I have done and a printer for printing out a record of my work. Printers are one type of output device and they come in three versions Laser, ink-jet and Dot-matrix each printer is unique in what type of print out it does; the laser printer is effective as it produces a very high quality print in black and white or colour very quickly. The printer also is



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The ink-jet printer is effective as it is cheaper than a laser printer but quality printouts are sacrificed, also the speed is reduced causing the time in which you have to wait for a printout to extend. However the ink-jet printer produces black and white as well as colour print out just as the laser printer.

The Dot-matrix printers are very noisy when they are producing a printout and the quality is poor, the printer however is very cheap to run but is not a good choice to choose if you want quality printouts.

Input devices which I have used during this project are a QWERTY keyboard for typing information into the computer, a mouse for controlling the cursor and placing objects where I want them. The QWERTY keyboard is an input device it is a standard keyboard with a computer so it is recognized around the world, the keyboard can be used fast by people who know how to use them properly or by people who have trained with them, it is a very quick way of putting information into a computer and they are available very cheaply.

The mouse is also an input device and is very cheap to buy; the standard mouse has a ball to help it move and two buttons for control, however now there is a large variety

of laser mouse's available which are more accurate in movement as they use light they also have only two buttons like the ordinary mouse but they can be expensive.

I have used a V.D.U., QWERTY keyboard, mouse and ink-jet printer to help me complete the tasks in which I have been set because they were available for me to use and were very easy to use. One change to the equipment which was available to me which I would of made would have been to uses a laser printer as it is very fast and produces high quality printouts, it would of also given me the opportunity of printing my documents out in colour.