

# 5B - Communications - Lesson 01

## Digital Download & File Storage - Size Prefixes.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1) Draw a line from the prefix to its value.

Prefix

Tetra ●

Mega ●

Peta ●

Giga ●

Kilo ●

Value

●  $10^{15}$

●  $10^3$

●  $10^9$

●  $10^6$

●  $10^{12}$

2) One Gigabyte equals 1,000 \_\_\_\_\_ bytes.

3) One Terabyte equals 1,000 \_\_\_\_\_ bytes.

4) One Terabyte equals 1,000,000 \_\_\_\_\_ bytes.

5) 1000 kilobytes equals one \_\_\_\_\_ byte.

6) 1,000,000 bytes equals one \_\_\_\_\_ byte.

7) Which is best? A 0.5 terabyte drive or 760 gigabyte drive?

# 5B - Communications - Lesson 02

## Digital Download & File Storage

### Converting Bits & Bytes.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) What is a **bit**?
- 2) What is a **byte**?
- 3) In a 32-bit computer a **word** is made up of four bytes. How many **bits** in a word?
- 4) How many numerals are there in the decimal system? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) How many numerals are there in the binary system? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) In the binary system bits that are **ON** are represented by the number \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7) In the binary system bits that are **OFF** are represented by the number \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8) How many numerals are there in the hexadecimal system? \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) What are the **extra** numerals in the hexadecimal system?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10) Binary numbers are converted to decimal by adding the place values which have a value of '1'. Convert the following binary number in to a decimal number.

0011 1011

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1

Decimal = \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

# 5B - Communications - Lesson 03

## Digital Download & File Storage - Download Speed.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1) What is the difference between an analogue modem and an ADSL router?

2) What is the difference between kilobit (kb) and kilobyte (KB)?

3) Use the internet to find the speeds for

a. An analog to digital modem \_\_\_\_\_ b. Wireless router \_\_\_\_\_

c. ADSL router \_\_\_\_\_ d. ADSL 2+ router \_\_\_\_\_

4) You have an 8 Mb/s plan with your ISP. When you reach your limit your speed is **shaped** [slowed down] to 256kb/s. You are downloading a 500 MB file. How long will it take at:

a. Full speed [8 Mb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 8,000,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds}$$

$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds} \div 60 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ minutes.}$$

b. Shaped speed [256 kb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 256,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds}$$

$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds} \div 3600 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ hours.}$$

5) You have a 1500 kb/s plan with your ISP. When you reach your limit your speed is **shaped** [slowed down] to 64kb/s. You are downloading a 500 MB file. How long will it take at:

a. Full speed [1500 kb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 1,500,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds}$$

$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds} \div 60 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ minutes.}$$

b. Shaped speed [64 kb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 64,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds}$$

$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds} \div 3600 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ hours.}$$

6) The NBN [National Broadband Network] was planned to have a speed of 100 Mbits/s. How long will it take to download a 500 MB file?

$$\text{Bytes/s} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds}$$

7) It was announced on August 10, 2010 by NBN boss Michael Quigley that the NBN will have a speed of 1 Gbit/s. How long will it take to download a 500 MB file?

$$\text{Bytes/s} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds}$$

8) The Japanese have reached speeds of 69.1 Tbit/s in the testing of their NTT. How long will it take to download a 500 MB file?

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$$\text{Bytes/s} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ seconds}$$

SOLUTIONS

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Prefix

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(Tera) •

Mega •

Peta •

Giga •

Kilo •

Value

Peta •  $10^{15}$

Kilo •  $10^3$

Giga •  $10^9$

Mega •  $10^6$

Tera •  $10^{12}$

2) One Gigabyte equals 1,000 \_\_\_\_\_ bytes.  
*Mega*

3) One Terabyte equals 1,000 \_\_\_\_\_ bytes.  
*Giga*

4) One Terabyte equals 1,000,000 \_\_\_\_\_ bytes.  
*Kilo*

5) 1000 kilobytes equals one \_\_\_\_\_ byte.  
*million*

6) 1,000,000 bytes equals one \_\_\_\_\_ byte.  
*Mege*

7) Which is best? A 0.5 terabyte drive or 760 gigabyte drive?

*$5 \times 10^{11}$  bytes or  $7.6 \times 10^{11}$  bytes.*

# 5B - Communications - Lesson 02

## Digital Download & File Storage

### Converting Bits & Bytes.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1) What is a bit?

*is a basic unit of information in computing with a value of 0 or 1.*

2) What is a byte? *8 bits*

3) In a 32-bit computer a word is made up of four bytes. How many bits in a word?

*32 bits.*

4) How many numerals are there in the decimal system?

10

5) How many numerals are there in the binary system?

2

6) In the binary system bits that are ON are represented by the number 1.

7) In the binary system bits that are OFF are represented by the number 0.

8) How many numerals are there in the hexadecimal system?

16

9) What are the extra numerals in the hexadecimal system?

A B C D E F

10) Binary numbers are converted to decimal by adding the place values which have a value of '1'. Convert the following binary number in to a decimal number.

0011 1011

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1

Decimal = 32 + 16 + 8 + 2 + 1 = 59

# 5B - Communications - Lesson 03

## Digital Download & File Storage - Download Speed.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1) What is the difference between an analogue modem and an ADSL router?

A modem is a device that provides access to the internet, in order for devices on a network to connect to the internet, the router must be connected to a modem.

2) What is the difference between kilobit (kb) and kilobyte (kB)?

1 kilobit is roughly 1000 bits (to be exact 1024 bits) = 125 bytes.  
1 byte is equal to 8 bits, therefore 1 kilobyte is

3) Use the internet to find the speeds for (changes according to time)

a. An analog to digital modem \_\_\_\_\_ b. Wireless router \_\_\_\_\_

c. ADSL router \_\_\_\_\_ d. ADSL 2+ router \_\_\_\_\_

4) You have an 8 Mb/s plan with your ISP. When you reach your limit your speed is shaped [slowed down] to 256kb/s. You are downloading a 500 MB file. How long will it take at:

a. Full speed [8 Mb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 8,000,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \frac{10^6}{8} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \frac{10^6}{8} = 500 \text{ seconds}$$

$$= 500 \text{ seconds} \div 60 = 8.33 \text{ minutes.}$$

b. Shaped speed [256 kb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 256,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = 32,000 \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div 32,000 = 15,625 \text{ seconds}$$

$$= 15,625 \text{ seconds} \div 3600 = 4.34 \text{ hours.}$$

5) You have a 1500 kb/s plan with your ISP. When you reach your limit your speed is **shaped** [slowed down] to 64kb/s. You are downloading a 500 MB file. How long will it take at:

a. Full speed [1500 kb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 1,500,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \frac{187500}{8} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Time} &= 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \frac{187500}{8} = \underline{2666.7} \text{ seconds} \\ &= \underline{2666.7} \text{ seconds} \div 60 = \underline{44.44} \text{ minutes.} \end{aligned}$$

b. Shaped speed [64 kb/s]

$$\text{Bytes/s} = 64,000 \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \frac{8000}{8} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Time} &= 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \frac{8000}{8} = \underline{62500} \text{ seconds} \\ &= \underline{62500} \text{ seconds} \div 3600 = \underline{17.36} \text{ hours.} \end{aligned}$$

6) The NBN [National Broadband Network] was planned to have a speed of 100 Mbits/s. How long will it take to download a 500 MB file?

$$\text{Bytes/s} = \frac{100,000,000}{8} \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \frac{12500000}{8} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \frac{12500000}{8} = \underline{40} \text{ seconds}$$

7) It was announced on August 10, 2010 by NBN boss Michael Quigley that the NBN will have a speed of 1 Gbit/s. How long will it take to download a 500 MB file?

$$\text{Bytes/s} = \frac{10^9}{8} \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \frac{1.25 \times 10^8}{8} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \frac{1.25 \times 10^8}{8} = \underline{4} \text{ seconds}$$

8) The Japanese have reached speeds of 69.1 Tbit/s in the testing of their NTT. How long will it take to download a 500 MB file?

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$$\text{Bytes/s} = \frac{69.1 \times 10^{12}}{8} \text{ b/s} \div 8 = \frac{8.64 \times 10^{12}}{8} \text{ B/s}$$

$$\text{Time} = 500,000,000 \text{ bytes} \div \frac{8.64 \times 10^{12}}{8} = \underline{5.79 \times 10^{-5}} \text{ seconds}$$