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Homework – Chapter 1

1. When selecting secondary storage devices for a new desktop PC, which is more important, a CD-ROM drive or a floppy drive? Why?
2. Based on what you have learned in this chapter, when working on a Word document, why is it important to save your work often? Explain your answer using the two terms, primary storage and secondary storage.
3. Most buses are 16, 32, 64, or 128 bits wide. Why do you think these bus widths are multiples of eight?
4. Why do you think the trend is to store configuration information on a motherboard in CMOS setup rather than by using jumpers or switches?
5. Why would it be difficult to install four hard drives, one CD-ROM drive, and one DVD drive in a single system?