

Before you buy a computer, make sure you have done some comparison between the models. Go over the list of the items and features (hardware and software) that you want in a machine and double check that the machine you are contemplating purchasing has the items built in. The below checklist is an easy way for you to compare computer models side by side.

PC Checklist QUESTIONS / NOTES	Example:	Model #1	Model #2	Model #3
BRAND NAME	HP ENVY 17"			
Processor Name (CPU) Processor Speed in MHZ Hof Processors in the Computer	Intel Core i7 2.7GHz, turbo boost to 3.5GHz 2			
Operating System that it comes with (Does it come with Windows, Apple IOS, Chrome, Is it preinstalled?)	Windows 10 Home (64-bit) Pre-installed			
RAM (memory) in GB (The more the better) RAM Type Memory Speed	16 GB DDR4-2133 SDRAM1600MHZ			
Hard Drive Capacity (usually in GB or TB)	1TB			
• Is it Mechanical - 5400 rpm, 7200 rpm, 10000 rpm - (traditional Drive that rotate/spin) Higher the # the better	Mechanical 7200 rpm No			

Is it SSD - Solid State - Means no moving parts and really fast! (Preferred)			
Video Card (Graphics, Graphics Memory) • Video Card Name: • Is it integrated onto Motherboard? (You would prefer a separate video card with its own memory and processor) • What is Video Card Memory?	Intel HD Graphics 620 Yes N/A		
 Does it have additional Drives: CD (Plays CD Only) CD/R (Plays and Writes CDs Only - No DVD) DVD (Plays DVD and CDs Only - Does not write) DVD+ RW (Allows writing and rewriting of CD/DVD) 	Has DVD+RW		
SD Media Card Reader (Allows you to insert SD memory cards)	Yes		
Does it have Wireless Capability? (Can it connect to WiFi) Does it have Bluetooth? (This allows you to connect devices like smart phones, cameras and fitness trackers to machine without wires) What is the Wireless Networking Card? (if its integrated it means built onto the motherboard. Separate	Yes 802.11A, Bluetooth, 802.11bgn Wireless Type 802.11 A/C Integrated 10/100/1000 Gigabit LAN		

Network Card is preferred but mostly unavailable in systems like Dell)			
USB Ports (2.0 and 3.0) Allows you to plug in things like keyboard, mouse, external hard drive, cameras etc	USB 2.0 = 1 USB 3,0 = 2		
IS the Monitor Included with Price? Most Desktop or Tower Computers DO NOT come with a Monitor except the "all in ones" that have monitor built into the computer	Laptop - Yes		
Warranty:	90 days		
Price:	\$1029		

Additional accessories that might be useful, e.g., storage cases, furniture, extra cabling, surge protector, anti-glare/radiation screen for monitor?