Objectives

- In this session, you will learn to:
 - Install and configure display devices.
 - Install and configure input devices.
 - Install and configure adapter cards.
 - Install multimedia devices.

Install and Configure Display Devices

- In order to install and configure display devices, you would need to:
 - Identify various types of display devices
 - Identify various display settings
 - Identify LCD characteristics
 - Identify different types of connectors
 - Configure the device driver

Display Devices Types

- The following are some common display devices:
 - CRT monitor
 - LCD monitor
 - Projection system



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Display Settings

- The following are some display characteristics for each video output device, which you can configure either through a dialog box in Windows, or through controls on the physical monitor.
 - Resolution
 - Refresh rate (The refresh rate is how often per second the image is rebuilt)
 - Color depth/color quality
 - Brightness (Intensity of the image)
 - Contrast (Ratio of light to dark)
 - Image position (Vertical and horizontal location of image on the screen)
 - Reset (Returns the monitor settings to factory settings)



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LCD Characteristics

- The following are some unique characteristics of LCD devices:
 - Screen type (Active or Passive Matrix)
 - Resolution
 - Contrast ratio
 - Backlighting
 - Pixelation



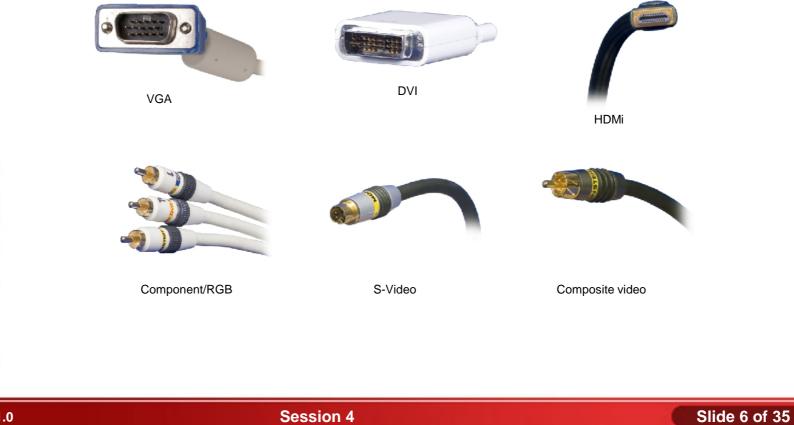
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Connector Types

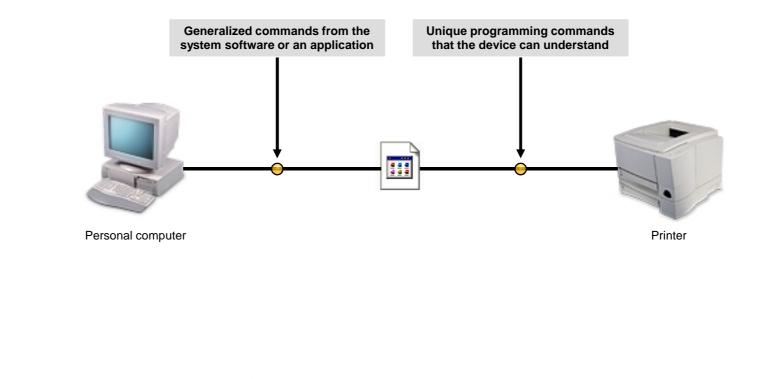
The following are some of the connector types used by display devices:



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Device Drivers

A device driver is a type of software that enables the operating system and a peripheral device to communicate with each other.



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Display Device Selection Tips

- CRT monitors offer more features and potentially better resolution.
- CRT monitors are also less expensive than flat-panel monitors.
- Many users simply prefer flat-panel monitors because they take up less space.





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Display Device Installation Considerations

- When you're ready to install a display device, keep the following considerations in mind:
 - Drivers
 - Digital Video Interfaces
 - Video Adapters



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Activity on Installing Display Devices

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Activity 4-2

Activity on Configuring Display Devices

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Standard Input Device Types

The following are some common input devices which fall under mice and keyboards:



Ergonomic keyboard



Standard keyboard



Dvorak keyboard



Mouse



Trackball



Touch pad

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Biometric Input Devices

 Biometrics is an automated method of recognizing a person based on a physiological or behavioral characteristic.





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Specialized Input Devices

- The following are some specialized input devices that you might encounter in your workplace:
 - Bar code readers
 - Touch screens





Input Device Selection Tips

- For keyboards, consider ergonomics and additional features such as wireless connectivity.
- For pointing devices, consider optical mice, wireless mice, and user preference.



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Input Device Installation Considerations

- You should consider following factors before attempting to install input devices:
 - Drivers
 - Ports
 - Manufacturer's instructions





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Activity 4-3

Activity on Installing Input Devices

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Activity 4-4

Activity on Configuring Input Devices

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Internal Bus Architectures

- System boards include several buses, or data paths, to transfer data to and from different computer components, including all adapter cards. The various internal bus architectures are:
 - 8-bit (legacy)
 - ISA (Industry Standard Architecture)
 - PCI (Peripheral Components Interconnect)
 - AGP (Accelerated Graphics Port)
 - PCI-E (Peripheral Components Interconnect-Express)
 - AMR (Audio Modem Riser)
 - CNR (Communication and Networking Riser)

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Adapter Card Types

The following figure lists the various adapter card types:

| Adapter Card Type | Description |
|-----------------------|--|
| Video adapters | A video adapter provides the interface necessary to connect a monitor for visual output. Generally, these adapters connect to the system board through PCI, AGP, or PCI-E slots. |
| Multimedia adapters | Multimedia adapters provide the interfaces necessary to connect microphones, speakers, electronic musical devices, and some gaming devices for audio input and output. |
| Input/output adapters | Input/output adapters provide the interfaces necessary to connect SCSI, serial, USB, and parallel devices for data input and output. |
| Network adapters | Network adapters provide the interface necessary for network communications. |
| Modem adapters | Modem adapters provide the interface necessary for remote communications over phone or data lines. |

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Adapter Card Selection Tips

- Verify that its bus type is compatible with the computer.
- Make sure that the adapter card's drivers are compatible with the computer's operating system.
- Use PnP to automatically configure the card's hardware resources, but make sure that the computer's BIOS and operating system supports PnP.



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Adapter Card Installation Considerations

- You should consider the following before installing adapter cards.
 - Available slot
 - Latest drivers
 - Unplug the computer and discharge electricity



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Adapter Card Configuration and Optimization Requirements

- Some of the requirements while configuring adapter card are:
 - Plug and Play support in the system should automatically detect the adapter card
 - If, not get the driver for the adapter card from the manufacturer
 - Use Add Hardware Wizard to manually select the adapter card from the device list



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Hardware Resources

- The following are the various categories of hardware resources:
 - Interrupt Request (IRQ) lines
 - I/O address
 - Direct Memory Access (DMA)
 - Base memory address

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Activity on Identifying System Parameters

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Activity 4-6

Activity on Installing Adapter Cards

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Multimedia Devices

A multimedia device is a computer peripheral or internal component that transfers sound or images to or from a personal computer.



Multimedia Devices (Contd.)



Common Multimedia Devices

- Some of the common multimedia devices are:
 - Digital cameras
 - Webcams
 - Video-conferencing systems
 - MIDI devices
 - Microphones
 - Speakers







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Multimedia Device Selection Tips

- Digital Camera: What type of output does the user need from the camera?
- Sound Cards: Responsible for translating digital music into analog signals.
- Microphones: Use microphones to complete tasks such as making phone calls via the internet and to dictate to the computer using voice recognition software.
- Speakers: If users plan to listen to music or play games on a computer, it's important to help them select higher-quality speakers.



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Multimedia Device Installation Considerations

- Some of the considerations that need to be taken while installing multimedia devices are:
 - Is there a slot available on the motherboard for installing a sound card?
 - Are the appropriate device drivers available for the computers operating system?
 - Are the necessary cables to connect multimedia devices available?
 - Do you have a memory card reader available?







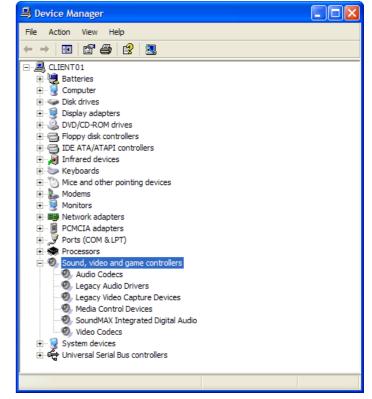
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Multimedia Device Configuration and Optimization Requirements

- The following can be configured using the Device Manager for multimedia devices:
 - Enabling and disabling audio features
 - Updating drivers
 - Specifying hardware resources



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Activity on Installing Multimedia Devices

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Summary

- In this session, you learned that:
 - The prerequisites for installing and configuring the display devices are:
 - Identification of various types of display devices
 - Identification of various display settings
 - Identification of LCD characteristics
 - Identification of different types of connectors
 - Configuring the device driver
 - The prerequisites for installing different input devices are:
 - Drivers
 - Ports
 - Manufacturer's instructions
 - The adapter cards are used to extend the capabilities of a computer.
 - Video adapter, multimedia adapter, Input/output adapter, network adapter and modem adapter as some of the types of adapter cards.

Summary (Contd.)

- A multimedia device is a computer peripheral or internal component that transfers sound or images to or from a personal computer.
- Some of the common multimedia devices are:
 - Digital cameras
 - Webcams
 - Video-conferencing systems
 - MIDI devices
 - Microphones
 - Speakers

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