

Open Forum 1

Web Site Worksheet

Chapter 11

Name: _____

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1. Preparing to Listen

You are going to listen to a tour guide talk to some visitors at a museum of science and technology. Before you listen, think about the following questions.

What was the first computer you used?

Where did you first use a computer—at home or at school?

How old were you?

2. Listening for Main Ideas

Read questions 1 and 2. Listen to the talk. Then choose the correct answer for each question.

- After the BBC showed the program “The Mighty Micro,” _____.
 - someone built the first computer
 - computers became very expensive
 - people in Britain became interested in small computers
- The BBC wanted to design a microcomputer that was _____.
 - expensive
 - affordable
 - big

3. Listening for More Detail

Read questions 3–12. Listen to the talk again and write *T* for true or *F* for false for each question.

- _____ 3. Dr. Christopher Evans believed that computers were only useful for playing games.
- _____ 4. A prediction is a guess about the future.
- _____ 5. A microcomputer is a very big computer.
- _____ 6. The British government decided to make a microcomputer.
- _____ 7. Acorn was a big company before it won the BBC contract.
- _____ 8. The BBC Model A computer was first sold in 1981.
- _____ 9. The BBC Model B computer was not successful at first.
- _____ 10. British children used the BBC Model B computers in school.
- _____ 11. The BBC Model B computer could control a robot.
- _____ 12. Most British children in the 1980s probably did not have a home computer.