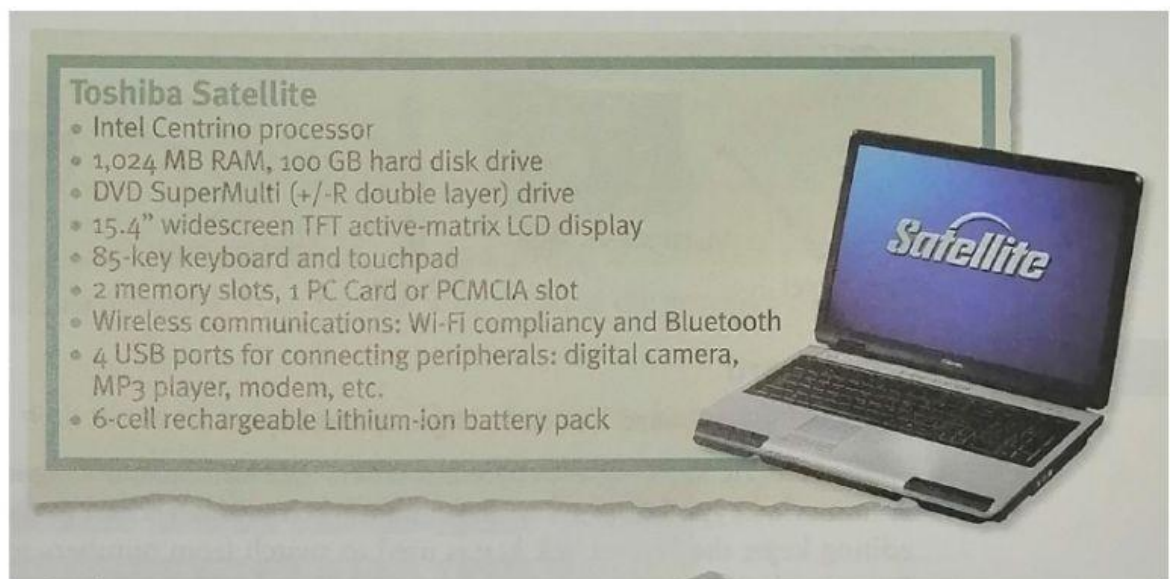


TASK 3

1. Look at the computer advertisement and find this information.

- a. What type of computer is advertised?
- b. What kind of screen does it have?
- c. What pointing device replaces the mouse?
- d. What type of ports does it have for connecting cameras and music players?
- e. What sort of power supply does it use?



Toshiba Satellite

- Intel Centrino processor
- 1,024 MB RAM, 100 GB hard disk drive
- DVD SuperMulti (+/-R double layer) drive
- 15.4" widescreen TFT active-matrix LCD display
- 85-key keyboard and touchpad
- 2 memory slots, 1 PC Card or PCMCIA slot
- Wireless communications: Wi-Fi compliancy and Bluetooth
- 4 USB ports for connecting peripherals: digital camera, MP3 player, modem, etc.
- 6-cell rechargeable Lithium-ion battery pack



2. Which type of computer do these descriptions refer to? Use the words from the box

Laptop / wearable computer /personal digital assistant (PDA)
/desktop PC/
tablet / mainframe

- a. A hand-held computer which can be used as a telephone, a web explorer and a personal organizer.
- b. A typical computer found in many businesses and popular for home use.
- c. A large computer used for intensive data processing and often linked to many terminals.
- d. A small computer that fits into items of clothing
- e. A portable computer that can be closed up like a briefcase, but it can be as powerful as a desktop PC.
- f. A full-function PC, though it only weights 1.2 kg -you can go to a meeting and write your notes on it, like a paper notepad; its screen mode can be changed from portrait to landscape.

3. Complete the interview with Adam Hawkins, and IT manager, and complete it with words from the PDA text in the box.

A personal digital assistant or PDA is a tiny computer with can be held in one hand.
The term PDA Refers to a wide variety of hand-held devices, palmtops and pocket PCs.
For input, you type at a small keyboard or use a stylus -a special pen used with a touch screen to select items, draw pictures, etc.
Some models incorporate handwriting recognition, which enables a PDA to recognize characters written by hand. Some PDAs recognize spoken words by using voice recognition software.

They can be used as mobile phones or as personal organizers for storing notes, reminders and addresses. They also let you access the Internet via wireless technology, without cables.

Interviewer: What are the basic features of a PDA?

Adam: Well, a typical PDA is a (1) device that runs on batteries and combines computing, phone and Net capabilities.

Interviewer: And how do you enter information?

Adam: For input, you use a (2) or pen to write and make selections on a (3) ; they also have buttons for launching programs. Some models have a small keyboard. They may have a (4) system that reacts to the user's voice.

Interviewer: Do they need special software?

Adam: Yes, most of them run on *Windows Mobile*. Palmtops supported by Palm Inc. use *Palm OS*. Pen-based systems include (5) , so you write on the screen and the computer recognizes your handwriting and inserts the appropriate letters.

Interviewer: What sort of things can you do with a PDA?

Adam: You can store personal information, take notes, draw diagrams and make calculations. Many PDAs can access the Net via (6) technology.

