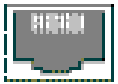
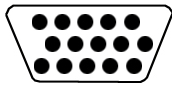


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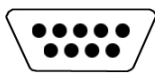
- 1. CPU:** The CPU is the computer's control center. Think of it as the brain that does all the thinking (computation), thus it is called the Central Processing Unit.
- 2. Modem:** It stands for Modulator Demodulator, but its use is much simpler. It enables a computer to "dial-up" to another computer for a variety of purposes including Fax, Gaming, or Internet connections
- 3. Monitor:** The high-resolution TV-like screen that displays your computer's output.
- 4. Motherboard:** The motherboard is easily compared to the human body's nervous system. The wires (nerves) on it transfer data between all of the other components.
- 5. NIC:** A Network Interface Card allows your computer to connect to a network of computers. The most common type of NIC is Ethernet - a very fast method of transferring data between computers. A modem is generally used to dial-up from a home computer to connect to a network or the Internet.



- 6. Video card:** A Video Card displays the graphics onto your monitor. A Video Port hooks monitor to computer.

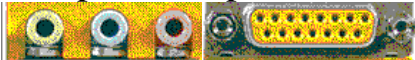


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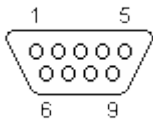


(At the video card)

- 7. Sound/Audio Card:** A sound card allows the computer to input and output sounds. This card has ports for headphones, speakers, microphones and sometimes joysticks.



- 8. Mouse and Keyboard:** The mouse and keyboard are the 2 main input devices on a computer. They allow you to input data and use features.

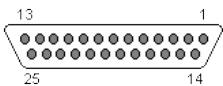


Serial port or



PS/2 (At the computer)

- 9. Printer:** A printer allows you to print your output to a hard copy, or paper. Printers are one of the main Output devices.



- 10. Power Supply:** supplies power to the computer.

