

# Hardware, Software, and Network Components

## Hardware

- Motherboard
- RAM
- CPU
- Hard disk
- Power supplies

## Software

- Operating system
- Text editing program
- Internet browser

## Network

- LAN/WAN
- Bus/Ring/Star/Mesh
- Internet
- Client-to-server/Peer-to-peer

Computer systems are a collection of hardware, software, and/or middleware components that work together to transform data into information and meet a specific user's need. Middleware allows the hardware and software to communicate with each other, enabling data to move between computer system components. Users are frequently emphasized as another component of the computer system.