

Name \_\_\_\_\_

7. First IBM Personal Computer Introduced - August 12, 1981

## Pretty Cool



Margaret loves computers. She reads about them all the time. She believes that the computer is the most amazing thing ever invented and wants to have a career working with computers someday.

Yesterday was Margaret's birthday, and the only gift she pleaded for was her first, very own, personal computer to put in her room. She promised her parents she would use it for homework and study but would not spend too much time using it.

After dinner, it was time for cake and ice cream and presents. Margaret opened a few packages and thanked her parents but tried to hide her disappointment that none contained a computer. Her dad left the room for a moment and returned with a huge box.

"Almost forgot this one," he said with a big smile across his face. He winked at Margaret's mom.

Margaret's eyes grew wider and wider as she tore open the package. "It's a PC!" she squealed. "Awesome! Thanks so much, Mom and Dad. I love it. I know PC means personal computer, but I think it also stands for pretty cool. Can we please set it up right now? I can't wait to get started."

1. How does Margaret feel about computers?

afraid of them

loves them

bored with them

frustrated with them

2. What type of career does Margaret want to have someday?

computer

singing

acting

nursing

3. What was the only gift Margaret wanted for her birthday?

new shoes

a party

her very own PC

a television for her room

4. Margaret's parents kept her computer gift hidden at first to \_\_\_\_\_ her.

surprise

scare

upset

punish

5. How did Margaret feel about her new personal computer?

angry

excited

disappointed

confused