Internet Search-Sheet – Technology Facts 1

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1. Who invented the telegraph system? What year was the first message sent, and what did the message say?

2. What was the Antikythera machine? Who built it? When was it made? What was its purpose?

3. Who invented the first digital computer and what was it called?

4. What was the name of the first personal computer? What year was it available?

5. Explain how we came to use the phrase "computer bug"

6. What was the name of the first small handheld computer? Was it very popular?

7. Who invented the e-mail system and what did the first e-mail message say? Why do we use the @ sign in e-mails?

8. How did Google get its name? How many searches does Google process each day? How much money are the founders worth?

9. What was the first thing sold on E-Bay? How much did the person pay for it?

10. Who uses more bandwidth, YouTube or Netflix? How much bandwidth do each of them use in an average month?

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11. What was the first portable computer called? How much did it cost? Print a picture of it and staple it to this worksheet.

12. Who invented the first computer mouse? What year did he invent it? What was the first common computer to use it?

13. What year did we put the first undersea cable across the Atlantic Ocean? How much did it cost? How long did it stay working? Find a map that shows you where undersea cables are today, print it and staple it to this paper

14. Who founded Amazon? What was the first thing they ever sold? How much money is this person worth right now?

15. Find three women who were instrumental to the history of computers. Tell me their names and what they known for.

16. What were the first movie(s) to use CGI (computer generated graphics)? What about the first movie to be animated entirely by CGI?

17. Think of something you have always wondered about computers or the Internet. Tell me what it is and then tell me what you discovered about it after reading about it.

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