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This year, Mississippi became the first state in the nation to have an online computer in every classroom in the state. As part of the Mississippi Student Computer Training Project, teens from 38 high schools across the state built nearly 6,000 computers to help meet the governor's challenge of putting an online computer in all 32,354 public school classrooms.

In "Blitz Builds" set up by the project, trained students from participating schools get together and build as many computers as they can -- as fast as they can. In one 8-hour Blitz Build, 150 students from 17 schools can build 231 computers. Some teens have even gotten so good they can build a computer in seven minutes.

So how much do you really know about computers -- besides how to turn one on? Take the quiz and test your tech know-how.



Lindsey

South Dakota has already had a computer in every class room. Where have you been on that?



chicken

that test was hard i didnt know any thing about it.



Heather

I think that computers are a very helpful source for your everyday life. I mean you can find a lot of stuff on the computer than you can in a book or magazines etc... Computers help children, teenagers, and even adults find stuff out about their heritage or other stuff. Computers help children learn more in mathematics and science etc.. Computers are really fun and exciting.



Ashley

I think that this is a great projecty not only for the people makeing the computer but alsofor that kids in the future that wilkl be abke to use them to help them learn!



Heather

I think that this program is a really great idea because it can teach teens and other kids how to use and even build computers.



Emily

Hey I took your quiz and it is a good way to learn about your computer and a lot of people will

learn from this and be able to brag about knowing more than they do about

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Toni

i took the quiz and i think that it is a little to hard for kids our age. u have to be a computer geek to get them all right!

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Emily

Hey i took the quiz and how are kids my age supposed to answer the questions hello!!

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Nichole

I think that this program is a really good idea, and I think that many other schools should look into a program like this. I think it's neat that these kids are able to give the future generations a good chance to get well educated.

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Brad

Mississippi had the right idea. Computers are becoming an everyday thing. Now many jobs require basic computer skills just to be considered for a job. Soon our whole lives will revolve around computers and today's students need to get access to these computers. I just hope to see this trend spread to other states and maybe one day go national.

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vanessa

Computers are great! They are easy to use(when you know what you are doing). They are a big help for people because they are easy to use. They even make kids want to learn more. I know that they made me want to learn More!!!!!!!!!!!!1

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Robert

I think all kids should have the chance to learn what a computer is and about it a computer will be a thing of the future so everyone should should take part in the future

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Jill

I think the computer project is a great idea. Not only does it help students get involved with their community, it teaches them things you can't learn in any other class.

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Josh

I think this project is a great idea. My school is throwing away, that's right throwing away computers. They are Pentium I's and they find them inferior just because they will not run the newest version of MS Windows (XP). Is my school not slapping this project in the face? Before I draw my conclusion I would like to point out one thing, on channel one they said that with used parts and all, each computer costs around \$400, and I am sure Microsoft is getting \$100 of that. Now what could be a possible solution for both of these? One word, Linux. For one it is free, as in freedom of speech. For another it also runs excellent on legacy hardware. How legacy you say? How about an Intel 486 (25mhz). P.S. I do not mean Linux distros such as Lindows, I am speaking of true Linux, true Open Source. Lindows is no better than the Microsoft corp.

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Bobby

I think that Computer Technology is very useful in education, and spreading the Word of God. In the past 3 years, I have spent a lot of time studying Computer Technology. I am not a professional user, but I am very intelligent about how a computer is designed and works. I am constantly learning about the Kernel and design of MS Windows. I think that computers are very useful devices!

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Timothy

I think that what the teenagers in mississippi done, was good for the state, and the kids. The computer, gives the students connections to the world, and to know what it is like in different places, from the classroom. Building the computers, helps make the kids learn.

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Steve

This test was way too easy! and only 8 questions? Ahh come on... :/ It's an okay test. But for us h4x0rz it is way too easy :P

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Bobbie Anne

I am from Mississippi and i think that it is really cool that we are the first state to have computers in every classroom. i plan on taking the class that lets you build the computers and i am really excited about the upcoming year.

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Jason

I think it is wonderful that the High School students in Mississippi took there time build all of those computers to make sure that every classroom had at least one computer that was on-line. Not only did it expand the learning capabilities of every student in the state of Mississippi, it also taught them important engineering, computer, and teamwork skills, which will be used later in life to get a good job.

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raymond

every time my mom does something wrong to the computer, she calls for me.

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Raymond

I think the idea is awesome.I wish my school did that.

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Jamie

i build many compuyters in about 10 minuets, but if i really wanted to go under 7 i could

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destiny

i think that classrooms should have a computer because what if they need it for looking up stuff and if they need help then the teacher can help tham and than the teachers well know if u are doing your work or not

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Kristen

I think it would be nice to have a computer in every calssroom at my school. You want have to worry about going to different calssrooms to use there computer, you could just have one in your own classroom.

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Dana

I think that tis class is a good program because one; the students are learning about computers for required tests, 2; They are doing their state a favor, and 3; every clasroom needs a computer because as the world gets more modern the schools should be right along beside the world.

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alicia

I think it is good for theses teens to build these computers because it gives them a chance to give something back to the people who make their lives better for them.

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michael

i did really well good on da quiz about da computer it aint hard to do da things them kids did i make computers for fun everyday in my home

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Derek

i think other states should take part in this activity to help kids in school