

5.3.2 Worksheet: Upgrade Hardware Components

Print and complete this worksheet.

In this worksheet, you will use the Internet, a newspaper, or a local store to gather information about hardware components. Your customer's computer currently has 1 Module of 256 MB of RAM, a 40 GB hard disk drive, and an AGP video adapter card with 32 MB of RAM. Your customer wants to be able to play advanced video games.

1. Shop around, and in the table below list the brand, model number, features and cost for two different 1 GB Modules of DDR400 (PC3200).

Brand and Model Number	Features	Cost

2. Based on your research, which RAM would you select? Be prepared to discuss your decisions regarding the RAM you select.

3. Shop around, and in the table below list the brand, model number, features and cost for two different 500 GB 7200 rpm IDE hard disk drives.

Brand and Model Number	Features	Cost

4. Based on your research, which hard disk drive would you select? Be prepared to discuss your decisions regarding the hard disk drive you select.

5. Shop around, and in the table below list the brand, model number, features and cost for two different 8x AGP video adapter cards with 256 MB RAM.

Brand and Model Number	Features	Cost

6. Based on your research, which video adapter card would you select? Be prepared to discuss your decisions regarding the video adapter card you select.