

# Computer Copy

## Task Cards

Copy the pages and laminate them for durability, if you wish. Cut out the Task Cards. Place the Task Cards face up on the table. Students take turns selecting a card, reading it aloud, and answering it. Correct answers receive one point. The player with the most points wins. The cards are self-checking.

The main character in this story is \_\_\_\_\_.



What type of computer was Jamal working on?



What was so cool about Jamal's school?



What did Jamal remember to do in case he messed up the hard drive?



What did Jamal click that seemed to have caused the problems?



What happened when Jamal slammed his laptop shut?



When Jamal turned around after shutting his laptop, what did he see?



What did Jamal do when he clicked "User Copy?"



a laptop

Jamal

copy his main program

Every kid had his or her own  
laptop computer.

He put the computer  
to sleep rather than  
shutting it down.

“User Copy”

He made a copy of  
the user, himself.

a kid who looked  
identical to him

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What did Jamal have the computer copy do?



What did Jamal do while the computer copy was taking his math test?



What score did the computer copy receive on the math test and why?



In the afternoon, Jamal sent the copy back to class for the afternoon \_\_\_\_\_.



Why do you think Jamal was unhappy about missing English class?



Why didn't the computer get a perfect score on the math test?



Jamal came to realize that, when you have a carbon copy, you miss the work, but you also \_\_\_\_\_.



How did Jamal outsmart the copy?



played basketball with  
the early lunch group

go to class and take  
his math test

spelling bee

He received a 19 out of  
20 correct because a  
perfect score would have  
made the  
teacher suspicious.

He thought it would look  
suspicious.

He missed hearing  
the next installment of  
his favorite story about  
Harry Potter.

He waited for the computer  
battery to die down and hit  
the Delete User button to  
get rid of him.

miss out on the rewards

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There was a button that said copy **utility**. The word **utility** means \_\_\_\_\_.



After clicking a button, a **dialogue box** opened on the computer. A **dialogue box** is \_\_\_\_\_.



Copying your files to the **hard drive** is a good idea. A **hard drive** is \_\_\_\_\_.



The boy looked **identical** to Jamal. The word **identical** means \_\_\_\_\_.



Jamal missed the next **installment** of Harry's adventures. The word **installment** means \_\_\_\_\_.



Jamal **furiously** hit the keys on the computer. The word **furiously** means \_\_\_\_\_.



The copy **flickered** slightly as the power ran lower. The word **flickered** means \_\_\_\_\_.



The **laptop** screen went blank. A **laptop** is \_\_\_\_\_.



a display screen used  
for discussions

a function or task

the same or duplicate

the place where  
a computer's saved  
information is stored

desperately or frantically

part of, a section of,  
or a component of  
something

a portable computer that  
can be easily transported

flashed or fluttered