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Anatomy of a Computer
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Major visible components

See `http://www.iamyourguide.com/?page_id=80`

- monitor/screen.

- mouse.

- keyboard.

- connector slots (ports). See `http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Computer_port_%28hardware%29` or `http://www.coolnerds.com/Newbies/Ports/ports.htm`

  - Universal serial bus (USB), possibly with power supply. This connects your mp3 player, memory stick, etc.

  - Ethernet port. This connects to a wire in your office, home, or hotel to allow networking.

  - Video Graphics Array (VGA) connector to connect to a projector, alternate monitor, etc..

The guts

See `http://www.iamyourguide.com/?page_id=80` or
`http://fitsolutions.zxq.net/AnatomyLaptop.html`

- Motherboard
- CPU
- memory
- hard drive (disk)
- power supply

It's time to dismantle a laptop.