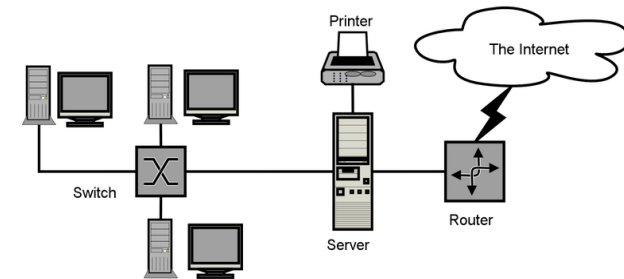


### **Information**

A network is two or more computers connected by a cable or by a wireless connection so that they can exchange information. A computer network can be made up of computers, print devices, network devices, and computer software. Once the network is set up it can transmit data, voice, and video communications over wire, fiber-optic media, radio waves, infrared waves, and microwaves.

Computer networks affect our lives in lots of different ways. Every day they help us to:

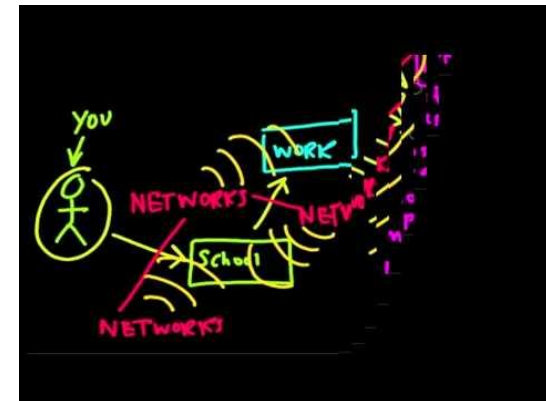
- exchange e-mail
- visit websites
- download software
- participate in electronic commerce
- work in “The Cloud”



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They are even used for urgent tasks like providing information on road conditions during storms, and immediately transporting vital documents.

One of the most important advantages of a computer network is the ability to share information and peripheral hardware, like documents, data, pictures, files, printers and other resources like software and other applications. Another advantage of a network is the option to exchange e-mail with someone who is nearby (like in the same house or office) or far away on the other side of the world.



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