Although there are disadvantages to using a computer, I believe the advantages greatly outweigh the disadvantages (although I may be biased). Below is a list of the main advantages and benefits we'll get from using a computer.

Increase your productivity. Computers increase your productivity and with a good understanding of the software running on them you will become more productive at everything you do. For example, once you have a basic understanding of using a word processor you can create, store, edit, share, and print documents and letters. Each of these things was either impossible or much slower with all pre-existing technologies.

Connects you to the Internet. Connecting a computer to the Internet is what unlocks the power of the computer. Once connected to the Internet your choices and available options are almost limitless, and many of the benefits listed on this page are a computer that is connected to the Internet.

Can store vast amounts of information and reduce waste. Computers are capable of storing and accessing vast amounts of information. For example, a computer and devices like eBook readers can store hundreds and if given enough storage could store millions of books. By being able to store books, documents, movies, pictures, and songs digitally, you can quickly find what you need with a search and share information between devices. It eliminates the need for paper and plastics used to make non-digital versions of the media.

Keeps you connected. Computers can help keep you connect with long distance friends and family over e-mail and social networking. You can also connect with millions of other people that share the same interests as you over online forums, chat, and services like Skype. Being able to connect to people all around the world is also an excellent way to meet people you would normally never meet.

Another great thing about the communication on the Internet is that it's fast compared to other forms of communication. For example, you could send someone an e-mail on the other side of the planet, and it often arrives in less than a minute or at most a few minutes. Where postal mail would take days or even weeks to arrive.

Can help you learn and keep you informed. The computer connected to the Internet is a great learning tool and is something that can help answer almost any question and can

teach you anything that interests you. You also have access to any news station in the world and can keep up-to-date with all of the latest news, weather, and stories around the world. You could learn a new profession by reading websites or watching videos. You could even sign up for online courses that teach you about any subject you had been learned in school.

Save time. Today, there are dozens of services that can help save you time. Several examples are listed below.

- Using a site like «AliExpress», you can find many of the same products you would find at a store for the same price or cheaper. You can also have those items shipped to your door without having to leave your home.
- You could use an online banking site to view your bank balance and pay bills.
- If your favorite restaurant has a website, you can order take out without having to wait in line.
- You can view online traffic cameras and maps with traffic information to find the quickest route.

Keep you entertained. With a computer, you could store and listen to millions of songs and watch a DVD. When connected to the Internet, you could watch an endless amount of streaming and online videos from popular sites like Netflix and YouTube.

So yes, using the computer has some really cool advantages!