

Using the Help Guide

Where would you look if you wanted to learn how to spell a word or find information for a report? Dictionaries and encyclopedias are two types of resources that can be used to get answers quickly without having to read the books from cover to cover. Similarly, the Intel® Education *Help Guide* can be used to learn how to do certain skills on the computer.

Exploration

Write your answers to each numbered question on a separate sheet of paper.

- Go to the *Help Guide*.
- Go to the left navigation pane, which shows the contents of the *Help Guide*. Find the *Help Guide* link. This section has information about how to use the *Help Guide*.
- The *Help Guide* has sections for each of the four main computer technology areas—graphics, word processing, spreadsheets, and multimedia. The *Help Guide* includes several other technology areas that can be used for your own personal reference but will not be used in the course.
- Find the Graphics section. The Graphics section includes groups of graphics skills. Each group has a number and a name. The name describes the type of information you will find in each group. Take a moment to figure out the following:
 1. **How many groups are in the Graphics section?**
 2. **What is the name of Graphics Group 5?**
- Find Group 5: Using the Drawing Tools. Group 5 includes many graphics skills. Each skill has a number and a description. Take a moment to figure out the following:
 3. **How many skills are in Graphics Group 5?**
 4. **Which graphics skill might you look at if you needed to know how to draw an arrow?**
- Spend one or two minutes exploring the graphics skills.
 5. **Which graphics skill looks like the most fun? Why?**

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- Find the Word Processing section. The Word Processing section is organized just like the Graphics section. The Word Processing section includes many word processing groups. Each group has a number and a name. The name describes the type of information you will find in each group.
 6. Which word processing group has information about designing pages?
 7. Which word processing skill has information about how to change the color of your words?
 8. Which word processing group might contain information about changing the look of a table?
- Spend one or two minutes exploring the word processing skills.
 9. Which word processing skill looks most interesting to you? Why?
- Answer the following questions about the Spreadsheets and Multimedia sections.
 10. Which spreadsheet skill explains how to give a worksheet a new name?
 11. Which spreadsheet group has information about performing calculations?
 12. Which multimedia skill tells you how to record your voice?
 13. Which group has information about changing the look of your slides?
- Spend one or two minutes exploring the spreadsheets and multimedia skills.
 14. Which spreadsheet or multimedia skill are you most excited to learn? Why?

Discussion

Spend five minutes discussing with your partner your answers to the following questions:

- How is the *Help Guide* different from reference materials that you have seen?
- Is the *Help Guide* easy or hard to use? Why?

Now you will share your answers with the class as directed.