The ultimate computer

A distant relative left you an inheritance of $3000. The catch is it **must be used** to purchase a computer and software products for help in your future endeavors. Your parents have decided to leave you in charge of selecting. They know that you have been taking a computer class and have been working with computers for a very long time. You need to justify your selection and educate them as to what all the ‘tech specs’ are for the computer you wish.

You are to create a powerpoint presentation that will ‘sell’ your parents on your choice.

Think about what you want to do with your computer. As you research your selection think about what needs you have. Do you want to create videos? Work with Photoshop? Or just use myspace?

There is a budget to work with, but your parents understand the importance of staying up to date with technology.

Research and explain to your parents all you can about the following:

1. A PC vs. Mac. Which one? Is one better than the other, why?
2. CPU – central processing unit
3. Memory – RAM
4. Hard Drive – size of it? Speed?
5. Optical drive – cd vs. dvd vs. blu-ray. Which is best for me? What’s the difference?
6. Monitor
7. Video Card
8. Sound Card
9. Floppy drive?
10. Network – NIC, router / modem – to connect to other computers / internet
11. USB
12. Wireless possibilities
13. Software – gaming, virus protection, Microsoft office, Adobe, others from class?
14. Printer – one for photos? Regular inkjet or laserjet?
15. Peripherals – digital camera, Ipod, scanner, etc

Rubric to follow soon.

Quiz on the terms above, be ready! It will take place on your final 😊