

New Perspectives on Computer Concepts 2010

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1. System Requirements

The New Perspectives on Computer Concepts 2010 BookOnCD (NP2010CD) is designed to run on most standard computers running current versions of the Windows operating system. Specific system requirements are listed below.

- a. Windows XP Home or Pro, or Windows Vista.
- b. A Pentium or AMD processor, preferably 800 MHz or faster.
- c. RAM requirement depends on the operating system, but a minimum of 256 MB is recommended.
- d. At least SVGA or XGA Video with True Color Graphics at 1024x768 or higher.
- e. CD-ROM Drive for stand-alone systems.
- f. Mouse or similar pointing device.
- g. To store Tracking data, a writable device such as a floppy disk, hard disk, CD-R, CD-RW or USB Flash drive.
- h. A default Web browser such as Internet Explorer, Mozilla FireFox.
- i. A sound card properly configured to run WAVE and MIDI sound files is recommended.
- j. A default media player such as the Windows Media Player or QuickTime.
- k. An Internet connection with access allowed to www.mediatechnics.net and www.course.com.
- l. Users must have the following rights:
 1. Write rights to whichever drive/device is to be used to save tracking data (could be hard drive, network, USB Flash drive, floppy drive, or whatever).
 2. Write rights to the Windows-defined Temporary Folder, typically c:\Documents and Settings\userID\Settings\Temp\ for Windows XP or c:\Users\UserID\AppData\Local\Temp for Windows Vista, but could have been configured to a different location.
 3. Write rights to the Windows-defined Documents Folder, typically c:\Documents and Settings\userID\My Documents\ for Windows XP or c:\Users\UserID\Documents for Windows Vista, but could have been configured to a different location.

If students have Write rights to the Preferences Folder, typically c:\Documents and Settings\userID\Application Data\ for Windows XP or c:\Users\UsersID\AppData\Roaming for Windows Vista, the pointer to "last-used" tracking file will be saved in the Preferences Folder (as is the preferred practice). If they don't have

Write rights to the Preferences Folder (as under an XP Limited User Account), that pointer will be written to the Documents Folder.

2. Starting the Software

The BookOnCD can be run directly from the CD. It does not require installation.

- a. On most Windows computers, simply insert the CD into the CD-ROM drive. If Auto Insert Notification is active for your CD-ROM drive, the program will automatically start.
- b. If the program does not start, click Start, then click Run and type d:\bookoncd.exe where d: is the letter assigned to your CD-ROM drive. Press Enter to start the software.
- c. For Windows Vista, if the program does not start, click Start, All Programs, Accessories, and then select Run. Type d:\bookoncd.exe where d: is the letter assigned to your CD-ROM drive. Press Enter to start the software.
- d. To change your AutoPlay settings in Windows Vista, open the Start menu and type "AutoPlay." Select the AutoPlay utility from the list of results. Adjust the setting for Software and Games to "Install or run program." Adjust the settings for Pictures and for Video files to "Ask me every time."

3. Technical Support

If you need technical assistance with this product:

- a. Go to Course Technology's Web site at www.course.com/support to view the FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) or click Help on the BookOnCD menu.
- b. If you need further assistance, send an e-mail to technical support by going to www.course.com/support and clicking Technical Support Question.
- c. If you need further assistance, call 800-648-7450 and ask for Technical Support.