User Guide

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1 Starting right

This computer is a powerful tool designed to enhance your work and entertainment. To get the most out of your computer, read this chapter to learn about best practices after setup, fun things to do with your computer, and where to go to get more HP resources.

Best practices

To protect your smart investment, after you set up and register the computer, we recommend the following steps:

- If you haven't already done so, connect to a wired or wireless network. See details in <u>Connecting</u> to a <u>network on page 15</u>.
- Become familiar with the computer hardware and software. Go to <u>Getting to know your computer</u> on page 4 and <u>Enjoying entertainment features on page 21</u> for information.
- Update or purchase antivirus software. Learn more at <u>Using antivirus software on page 55</u>.
- Back up your hard drive by creating recovery discs or a recovery flash drive. See <u>Backing up</u>, restoring, and recovering on page 61.

Fun things to do

- You know you can watch a YouTube video on the computer. But did you know that you can also connect your computer to a TV and watch the video on TV? For more information, see Connecting an HDMI TV or monitor on page 25.
- You know you can download music to play on the computer. But did you know that you can also stream live radio to the computer and listen to music or talk radio from all over the world? See <u>Using audio on page 23</u>.

More HP resources

You have already used *Setup Instructions* to turn on the computer and locate this guide. For product details, how-to information, and more, use this table.

Resource	Contents
Setup Instructions	Overview of computer setup and features.
Ubuntu Desktop Guide	A broad range of how-to information and troubleshooting tips.
To access this guide, press the f1 key.	
Safety & Comfort Guide	Proper workstation setup.
To access this guide, double-click the HP Documents icon located on the desktop, or go to	 Guidelines for posture and work habits that increase your comfort and decrease your risk of injury.
http://www.hp.com/ergo.	Electrical and mechanical safety information.
Worldwide support	Provides links and resources that allow you to
To get support in your language, go to	Chat online with an HP technician.
http://welcome.hp.com/country/us/en/ wwcontact_us.html.	Email support.
	Find worldwide support telephone numbers.
	Locate HP service center locations.
Regulatory, Safety and Environmental Notices	 Important regulatory notices, including proper battery disposal information.
To access this guide, double-click the HP Documents icon located on the desktop.	
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2 Getting to know your computer

Finding your hardware and software information

To find out what hardware is installed in your computer:

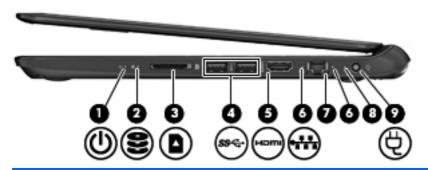
- 1. Click the **System menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click **System Settings**.
- Select the **Details** icon from the **System** section.

The Overview displays all the devices installed in your computer.

To find out what software is included on your computer:

- 1. Click the **Ubuntu Software Center** button located on the left of the desktop launcher, then click **Installed** at the top of window to display software categories.
- 2. Click a software category to display the installed software for that category.

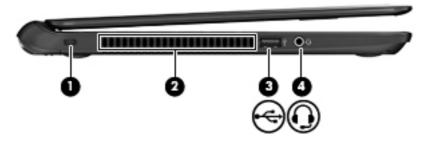
Right side



Component			Description	
(1)	dΣ	Power light	On: The computer is on.	
	\cup		Blinking: The computer is in the Suspend state.	
			Off: The computer is off or in Hibernation.	
(2)	8	Hard drive light	Blinking white: The hard drive is being accessed.	
(3)		Digital Media Slot	Supports the following digital card formats: Secure Digital (SD) Memory Card Secure Digital Extended Capacity (SDxC) Memory Card Secure Digital High Capacity (SDHC) Memory Card MultiMediaCard (MMC)	
(4)	ss←	USB 3.0 ports (2)	Connect optional USB 3.0 devices and provide enhanced USB power performance. NOTE: For details about different types of USB ports, see Using a USB device on page 42.	
(5)	наті	HDMI port	Connects an optional video or audio device, such as a high-definition television, or any compatible digital or audio device.	
(6)		RJ-45 (network) jack lights	 White: The computer is connected to a network. Blinking amber: Data is being transferred. NOTE: When both lights are off the computer is not connected to a network. 	
(7)	***	RJ-45 (network) jack	Connects a network cable.	

Component			Description	
(8)		AC adapter light	 Amber: The computer is connected to external power and the battery is charged from 0 to 90 percent. White: The computer is connected to external power and the battery is fully charged. Blinking amber: A battery that is the only available power source has reached a low battery level. When the battery reaches a critical battery level, the AC adapter light begins blinking rapidly. 	
			 Off: The computer does not have an AC power source. 	
(9)	Ą	Power connector	Connects an AC adapter.	

Left side



Component			Description
(1)		Security cable slot	Attaches an optional security cable to the computer.
			NOTE: The security cable is designed to act as a deterrent, but it may not prevent the computer from being mishandled or stolen.
(2)		Vent	Enables airflow to cool internal components.
			NOTE: The computer fan starts up automatically to cool internal components and prevent overheating. It is normal for the internal fan to cycle on and off during routine operation.
(3)	ss⇔	USB 2.0 port	Connects an optional USB 2.0 device.
	•		NOTE: For details about different types of USB ports, see Using a USB device on page 42.
(4)	O	Audio-out (headphone) jack/Audio-in (microphone) jack	Connects optional powered stereo speakers, headphones, earbuds, a headset, or television audio cable. Also connects an optional headset microphone. The jack does not support optional microphone-only devices.
			WARNING! To reduce the risk of personal injury, adjust the volume before using headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, see the <i>Regulatory, Safety and Environmental Notices</i> .
			NOTE: When a device is connected to the jack, the computer speakers are disabled.
			NOTE: Be sure that the device cable has a 4-conductor connector that supports both audio-out (headphone) and audio-in (microphone).

Display

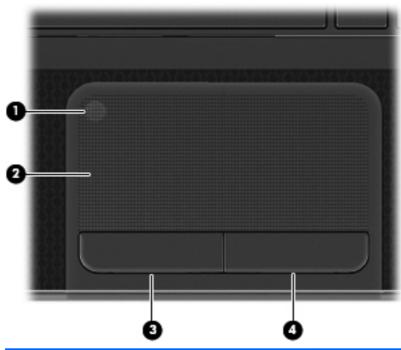


Component		Description
(1)	WLAN antennas (2)*	Send and receive wireless signals to communicate with wireless local area networks (WLANs).
(2)	Webcam light	On: The webcam is in use.
(3)	HP TrueVision HD Webcam	Records video, captures still photographs, and allows video conferences and online chat by means of streaming video.
(4)	Internal digital microphone	Records sound.

^{*}The antennas are not visible from the outside of the computer. For optimal transmission, keep the areas immediately around the antennas free from obstructions. For wireless regulatory notices, see the section of the *Regulatory, Safety and Environmental Notices* that applies to your country or region.

Top

TouchPad



Component		Description
(1)	TouchPad on/off button	Turns the TouchPad on or off.
(2)	TouchPad zone	Moves the on-screen pointer and selects or activates items on the screen.
(3)	Left TouchPad button	Functions like the left button on an external mouse.
(4)	Right TouchPad button	Functions like the right button on an external mouse.

Lights



Component			Description
(1)	۲l۱	Power light	On: The computer is on.
	\mathbf{O}		Blinking: The computer is in the Suspend state.
			Off: The computer is off or in Hibernation.
(2)		Caps lock light	On: Caps lock is on, which switches the keys to all capital letters.
(3)	40	Mute light	Amber: Computer sound is off.
	10		Off: Computer sound is on.
(4)	((1 ₎)	Wireless light	 White: An integrated wireless device, such as a wireless local area network (WLAN) device and/or a Bluetooth® device, is on.
			Amber: All wireless devices are off.

Buttons and speakers



Component



Power button

Description

- When the computer is off, press the button to turn on the computer.
- When the computer is on, press the button briefly to initiate Suspend.
- When the computer is in the Suspend state, press the button briefly to exit Suspend.
- When the computer is in Hibernation, press the button briefly to exit Hibernation.

If the computer has stopped responding and operating system shutdown procedures are ineffective, press and hold the power button for at least 5 seconds to turn off the computer.

CAUTION: Pressing and holding down the power button will result in the loss of unsaved information.

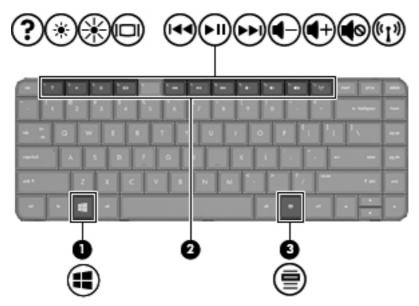
To learn more about your power settings, click the **System menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click **System Settings > Power** icon.

(2)

Speakers (2)

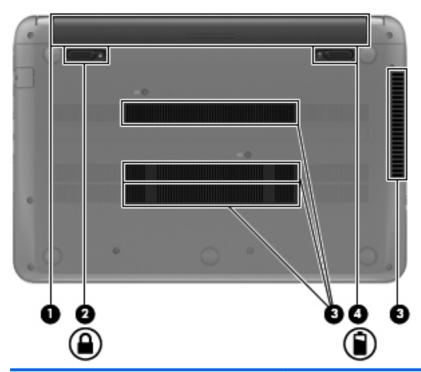
Produce sound.

Keys



Component			Description
(1)	=	Operating system logo key	Displays the operating system menu.
(2)		Action keys	Execute frequently used system functions.
(3)		Operating system applications key	Displays a shortcut menu for items beneath the cursor.

Bottom



Component			Description
(1)		Battery bay	Holds the battery.
(2)		Battery lock	Unlocks the battery.
(3)		Vents (3)	Enable airflow to cool internal components. NOTE: The computer fan starts up automatically to cool internal components and prevent overheating. It is normal for the internal fan to cycle on and off during routine operation.
(4)		Battery release latch	Releases the battery from the battery bay.

Labels

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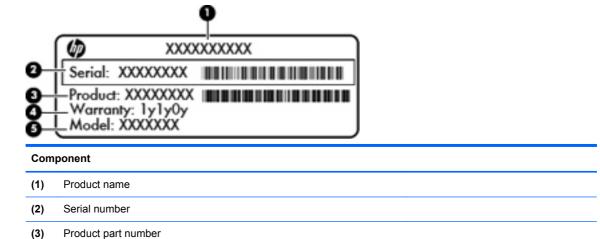
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Warranty period

Model description (select models only)

The labels affixed to the computer provide information you may need when you troubleshoot system problems or travel internationally with the computer. The labels are in easily accessible locations.

Service label—Provides important information, including the following:



Have this information available when you contact support. The service label is affixed to the bottom of your computer.

- Regulatory label—Provides regulatory information about the computer. The regulatory label is affixed to the bottom of your computer.
- Wireless certification label or labels—Provide information about optional wireless devices and
 the approval markings of some of the countries or regions in which the devices have been
 approved for use. If your computer model includes one or more wireless devices, one or more
 certification labels are included with your computer. You may need this information when
 traveling internationally. Wireless certification labels are affixed to the bottom of your computer.

Connecting to a network

Your computer can travel with you wherever you go. But even at home, you can explore the globe and access information from millions of websites using your computer and a wired or wireless network connection. This chapter will help you get connected to that world.

Connecting to a wireless network

Wireless technology transfers data across radio waves instead of wires. Your computer may be equipped with one or more of the following wireless devices:

- Wireless local area network (WLAN) device—Connects the computer to wireless local area networks (commonly referred to as Wi-Fi networks, wireless LANs, or WLANs) in corporate offices, your home, and public places such as airports, restaurants, coffee shops, hotels, and universities. In a WLAN, the mobile wireless device in your computer communicates with a wireless router or a wireless access point.
- Bluetooth device—Creates a personal area network (PAN) to connect to other Bluetoothenabled devices, such as computers, phones, printers, headsets, speakers, and cameras. In a PAN, each device communicates directly with other devices, and devices must be relatively close together—typically within 10 meters (approximately 33 feet) of each other.

Identifying wireless and network status icons

lcon	Name	Description
	Wireless (connected)	Indicates that one or more wireless devices are on.
14	Network Connection (connected)	Indicates that the wired network is connected and active. If both wired and wireless connections are active, the operating system uses the wired connection because it is faster.
\Diamond	Network Connection (disconnected)	Indicates that wired and wireless networks are not connected.

Using the wireless controls

You can control the wireless devices in your computer using these features:

- Wireless button, wireless switch, or wireless key (referred to in this chapter as the wireless button)
- Operating system controls

Using the wireless button

The computer has a wireless button, one or more wireless devices, and a wireless light, depending on the model. All of the wireless devices on your computer are enabled at the factory, so the wireless light is on (white) when you turn on the computer.

The wireless light indicates the overall power state of your wireless devices, not the status of individual devices. If the wireless light is white, at least one wireless device is on. If the wireless light is amber, all wireless devices are off.

Because the wireless devices are enabled at the factory, you can use the wireless button to turn on or turn off the wireless devices simultaneously. Individual wireless devices can be controlled by clicking on the **Network menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and then clicking **Edit Connections**.

Using operating system controls

To enable or disable a wireless or wired network device:

- 1. Click the **Network menu** icon at the far right of the top panel.
- To enable or disable one of the following devices, select or clear one of the following options:
 - Enable Networking (all network devices)
 - Enable Wireless

Using a WLAN

With a WLAN device, you can access a wireless local area network (WLAN), which is composed of other computers and accessories that are linked by a wireless router or a wireless access point.

NOTE: When creating a wireless connection or allowing access to users in a network, you are prompted for the root password.

NOTE: The terms wireless router and wireless access point are often used interchangeably.

- A large-scale WLAN, such as a corporate or public WLAN, typically uses wireless access points that can accommodate a large number of computers and accessories and can separate critical network functions.
- A home or small office WLAN typically uses a wireless router, which allows several wireless and wired computers to share an Internet connection, a printer, and files without requiring additional pieces of hardware or software.

To use the WLAN device in your computer, you must connect to a WLAN infrastructure (provided through a service provider or a public or corporate network).

Using an Internet service provider

When you are setting up Internet access in your home, you must establish an account with an Internet service provider (ISP). To purchase Internet service and a modem, contact a local ISP. The ISP will help set up the modem, install a network cable to connect your wireless computer to the modem, and test the Internet service.

NOTE: Your ISP will give you a user ID and a password to use for Internet access. Record this information and store it in a safe place.

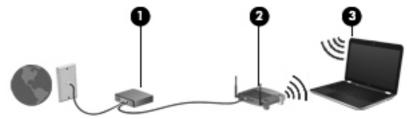
Setting up a WLAN

To set up a WLAN and connect to the Internet, you need the following equipment:

- A broadband modem (either DSL or cable) (1) and high-speed Internet service purchased from an Internet service provider
- A wireless router (2) (purchased separately)
- A wireless computer (3)

NOTE: Some modems have a built-in wireless router. Check with your ISP to determine what type of modem you have.

The illustration below shows an example of a wireless network installation that is connected to the Internet.



As your network grows, additional wireless and wired computers can be connected to the network to access the Internet.

For help in setting up your WLAN, see the information provided by your router manufacturer or your ISP.

Configuring a wireless router

For help in setting up a WLAN, see the information provided by your router manufacturer or your ISP.

NOTE: It is recommended that you initially connect your new wireless computer to the router by using the network cable provided with the router. When the computer successfully connects to the Internet, disconnect the cable, and access the Internet through your wireless network.

Protecting your WLAN

When you set up a WLAN or access an existing WLAN, always enable security features to protect your network from unauthorized access. WLANs in public areas (hotspots) like coffee shops and airports may not provide any security. If you are concerned about the security of your computer in a hotspot, limit your network activities to email that is not confidential and basic Internet surfing.

Wireless radio signals travel outside the network, so other WLAN devices can pick up unprotected signals. Take the following precautions to protect your WLAN:

Use a firewall.

A firewall checks both data and requests for data that are sent to your network, and discards any suspicious items. Firewalls are available in both software and hardware. Some networks use a combination of both types. Ubuntu does not include firewall software, but you can download Gufw, a free firewall utility that Ubuntu provides. For information on how to download and install Gufw, refer to Using firewall software on page 55.

Use wireless encryption.

Wireless encryption uses security settings to encrypt and decrypt data that is transmitted over the network.

Connecting to a WLAN

To connect to the WLAN, follow these steps:

- 1. Be sure that the WLAN device is on. If the device is on, the wireless light is white. If the wireless light is amber, press the wireless button.
- 2. Click the **Network menu** icon at the far right of the top panel.

Available wireless networks are listed under Wireless Networks.

3. Click the desired wireless network.

If the network is a security-enabled WLAN, you are prompted to enter a network security code. Type the code, and then click **OK** to complete the connection.

- NOTE: To connect to a network that is not automatically detected, click the **Network menu** icon and select **Connect to Hidden Wireless Network**. Enter the ESSID information, and set encryption parameters.
- NOTE: If no WLANs are listed, and your network is not hidden, you are out of range of a wireless router or access point.

If you do not see the network you want to connect to, click the **Network menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and click **Edit Connections**.

NOTE: The functional range (how far your wireless signals travel) depends on WLAN implementation, router manufacturer, and interference from other electronic devices or structural barriers such as walls and floors.

Using Bluetooth wireless devices (select models only)

A Bluetooth device provides short-range wireless communications that replace the physical cable connections that traditionally link electronic devices such as the following:

- Computers (desktop, notebook, PDA)
- Phones (cellular, cordless, smart phone)
- Imaging devices (printer, camera)
- Audio devices (headset, speakers)
- Mouse

Bluetooth devices provide peer-to-peer capability that allows you to set up a personal area network (PAN) of Bluetooth devices. For information about configuring and using Bluetooth devices, see the Bluetooth software Help.

Connecting to a wired network

A LAN connection uses a network cable, which is sold separately.

MARNING! To reduce the risk of electric shock, fire, or damage to the equipment, do not plug a modem cable or telephone cable into an RJ-45 (network) jack.

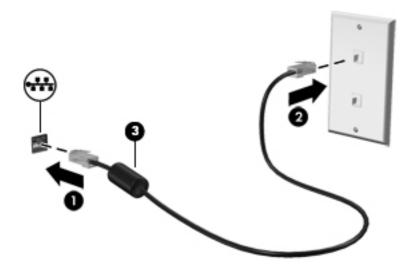
Connecting to a local area network (LAN)

Use a LAN connection if you want to connect the computer directly to a router in your home (instead of working wirelessly), or if you want to connect to an existing network at your office.

Connecting to a LAN requires an 8-pin, RJ-45 network cable.

To connect the network cable, follow these steps:

- 1. Plug the network cable into the network jack (1) on the computer.
- 2. Plug the other end of the network cable into a network wall jack (2) or router.
 - NOTE: If the network cable contains noise suppression circuitry (3), which prevents interference from TV and radio reception, orient the circuitry end of the cable toward the computer.



4 Enjoying entertainment features

Use your HP computer as an entertainment hub to socialize via the webcam, enjoy and manage your music, and download and watch movies. Or, to make your computer an even more powerful entertainment center, connect external devices like speakers, headphones, monitor, projector, TV, and, on select models, high-definition devices.

Multimedia Features

Here are some of the entertainment features on your computer.



Component			Description
(1)		Webcam light	On: The webcam is in use.
(2)		HP TrueVision HD Webcam	Records video and captures still photographs.
(3)		Internal digital microphone	Records sound.
(4)	наті	HDMI port	Connects an optional video or audio device, such as a high-definition television, any compatible digital or audio component, or a high-speed HDMI device.

Component			Description	
(5)	ss∕÷	USB 3.0 ports (2)	Connect optional USB 3.0 devices and provide enhanced USB power performance.	
			NOTE: For details about different types of USB ports, see <u>Using a USB device on page 42</u> .	
(6)		Speakers	Produce sound.	
(7)	O	Audio-out (headphone) jack/Audio-in (microphone) jack	Produces sound when connected to optional powered stereo speakers, headphones, earbuds, a headset, or television audio. Also connects an optional headset microphone. This jack does not support optional microphone-only devices.	
			WARNING! To reduce the risk of personal injury, adjust the volume before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, see the <i>Regulatory, Safety and Environmental Notices</i> .	
			NOTE: When a device is connected to the jack, the computer speakers are disabled.	
			NOTE: Be sure that the device cable has a 4-conductor connector that supports both audio-out (headphone) and audio-in (microphone).	
(8)	~	USB 2.0 port	Connects an optional USB 2.0 device.	
			NOTE: For details about different types of USB ports, see <u>Using a USB device on page 42</u> .	

Using the webcam

Your computer has an integrated webcam, a powerful social networking tool that allows you to communicate up close with friends and colleagues next door or on the other side of the world. With the webcam, you can stream video with your instant messaging software, and with the preinstalled software, guvcview, you can capture and share video and take still photos.



NOTE: For details about using your webcam, click the Help menu in the guvcview software.

Using audio

On your HP computer, you can download and listen to music, stream audio content from the web (including radio), record audio, or mix audio and video to create multimedia. To enhance your listening enjoyment, attach external audio devices such as speakers or headphones.

Connecting speakers

You can attach wired speakers to your computer by connecting them to USB ports or the Audio-out (headphone) jack/Audio-in (microphone) jack on your computer or on a docking station.

To connect *wireless* speakers to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions. To connect high-definition speakers to the computer, see <u>Configuring audio settings (with HDMI TV) on page 26</u>. Before connecting audio devices, be sure to adjust the volume.

Connecting headphones

You can connect wired headphones to the Audio-out (headphone) jack/Audio-in (microphone) jack on your computer.

To connect *wireless* headphones to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

WARNING! To reduce the risk of personal injury, adjust the volume before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, see the Regulatory, Safety and Environmental Notices.

Connecting a microphone

To record audio, use the internal digital microphone in the display or connect an optional headset microphone to the Audio-out (headphone) jack/Audio-in (microphone) jack on the computer. For best results when recording, speak directly into the microphone and record sound in a setting free of background noise.

Checking the sound

To check the system sound on your computer, follow these steps:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Sound icon.
- Click the Sound Effects tab, and then select one of the sound options under Choose an alert sound to test each sound.

To check the recording functions of the computer, follow these steps:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Sound icon.
- Click the Input tab, and then select Line in or Internal Microphone from the Record sound from panel on the left side of the window.
- Adjust the input volume by moving the Input volume slider to the desired setting.
- NOTE: For best results when recording, speak directly into the microphone and record sound in a setting free of background noise.

To confirm or change the audio settings on your computer, click the **Sound menu** icon at the right of the top panel.

Using video

Your HP computer is a powerful video device that enables you to watch streaming video from your favorite websites and download video and movies to watch on your computer, without needing to access a network.

To enhance your viewing enjoyment, use one of the video ports on the computer to connect an external monitor, projector, or TV. Some computers have a high-definition multimedia interface (HDMI) port, which allows you to connect a high-definition monitor or TV.

IMPORTANT: Be sure that the external device is connected to the correct port on the computer, using the correct cable. Check the device manufacturer's instructions if you have questions.

Connecting an HDMI TV or monitor

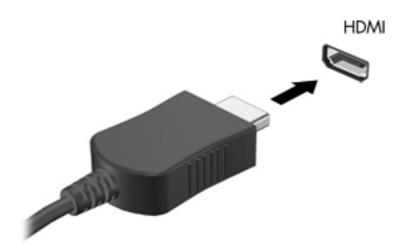
To see the computer screen image on a high-definition TV or monitor, connect the high-definition device according to the following instructions.

To connect an HDMI device to your computer, you need an HDMI cable, sold separately.

NOTE: Adjust the screen resolution of the external device, especially if you choose the "Extend" option. Click the **System menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, click **Displays** and then select a resolution from the drop-down menu next to **Resolution** for best results.

To connect a high-definition TV or monitor to your computer:

1. Connect one end of the HDMI cable to the HDMI port on the computer.



- 2. Connect the other end of the cable to the high-definition TV or monitor.
- 3. Press f4 to alternate the computer screen image between 3 display states:
 - View the screen image on the computer only.
 - View the screen image simultaneously on both the computer and external device.
 - View the screen image on the external device only.

Each time you press f4, the display state changes.

Configuring audio settings (with HDMI TV)

HDMI is the only video interface that supports high-definition video *and audio*. After you connect an HDMI TV to the computer, you can then turn on HDMI audio by following these steps:

- 1. Click the **Sound menu** icon at the right of the top panel, and then click **Sound Settings**.
- On the Output tab, click Internal Audio Digital Stereo (HDMI).
- 3. Close the Sound window.

To return the audio stream to the computer speakers, follow these steps:

- 1. Click the **Sound menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click **Sound Settings**.
- 2. On the Output tab, click Internal Audio Analog Stereo.
- 3. Close the Sound window.

Using the keyboard and pointing devices

Your computer allows easy on-screen navigation with a keyboard and pointing device. Select models also have action keys or hot key shortcuts that enable you to do common tasks. The TouchPad enables you to perform on-screen functions similar to those done by an external mouse.

To customize pointing device settings, such as button configuration, click speed, and pointer options, click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Mouse and Touchpad to explore the pointing device features and to select preferred settings. Use an external USB mouse (purchased separately) by connecting it to one of the USB ports on the computer.

The keyboard allows you to type and the action keys and hot keys allow you to perform specific functions. For more details about the keyboard keys, see Keys on page 12.

NOTE: Depending on the country or region, your keyboard may have different keys and keyboard



An action key performs an assigned function. The icons on the f1 through f4, and f6 through f12 keys illustrate the assigned function for that key. The f5 key performs the described function.

To use an action key function, press the key.

functions than those discussed in this section.

The action key feature is enabled at the factory. You can disable this feature in Setup Utility (BIOS). See <u>Using Setup Utility (BIOS)</u> and <u>System Diagnostics on page 57</u> for instructions on opening Setup Utility (BIOS), and then follow the instructions at the bottom of the screen.

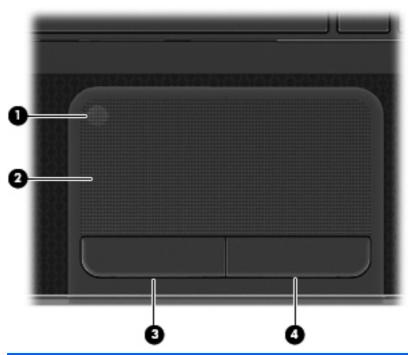
To activate the assigned function after disabling the action key feature, you must press the fn key in combination with the appropriate action key.

A CAUTION: Use extreme care when making changes in Setup Utility. Errors can prevent the computer from operating properly.

lcon	Key	Description
?	f1	Launches the Ubuntu Desktop Guide.
*	f2	Decreases the screen brightness incrementally as long as you hold down the key.

Icon	Key	Description
*	f3	Increases the screen brightness incrementally as long as you hold down the key.
	f4	Switches the screen image between display devices connected to the system. For example, if a monitor is connected to the computer, pressing this key alternates the screen image from the computer display to the monitor display to a simultaneous display on both the computer and the monitor.
	f5	Launches the file browser and displays the contents of the Home Folder.
144	f6	Plays the previous track of an audio CD or the previous section of a DVD.
►II	f7	Begins, pauses, or resumes playback of an audio CD or a DVD.
▶ ▶I	f8	Plays the next track of an audio CD or the next section of a DVD.
4-	f9	Decreases speaker volume incrementally as long as you hold down the key.
4 +	f10	Increases speaker volume incrementally as long as you hold down the key.
4 ⊗	f11	Mutes or restores speaker sound.
(·I _{›)}	f12	Turns the wireless feature on or off. NOTE: A wireless network must be set up before a wireless connection is possible.

Using the TouchPad

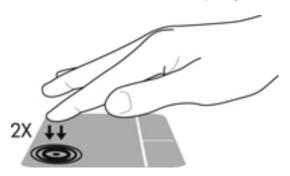


Component		Description
(1)	TouchPad on/off button	Turns the TouchPad on or off.
(2)	TouchPad zone	Moves the on-screen pointer and selects or activates items on the screen.
(3)	Left TouchPad button	Functions like the left button on an external mouse.
(4)	Right TouchPad button	Functions like the right button on an external mouse.

To move the pointer, slide one finger across the TouchPad in the direction you want the pointer to go. Use the left and right TouchPad buttons as you would use the buttons on an external mouse.

Turning the TouchPad off or on

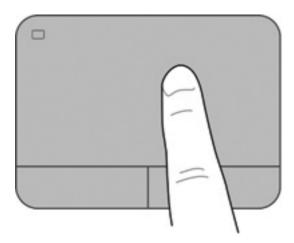
To turn the TouchPad off or on, quickly double-tap the TouchPad on/off button.



Navigating

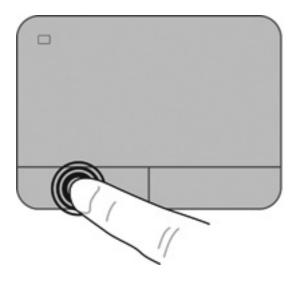
NOTE: To click, double-click, and drag using your TouchPad, click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click **System Settings > Mouse and Touchpad > Touchpad** tab, and select Enable mouse clicks with touchpad.

To move the on-screen pointer, slide one finger across the TouchPad in the direction you want the pointer to go.



Selecting

Use the left and right TouchPad buttons as you would use the corresponding buttons on an external mouse.



Using TouchPad gestures

To use TouchPad gestures, place two fingers on the TouchPad at the same time or use the edges of the TouchPad.

NOTE: TouchPad gestures are not supported in all programs.

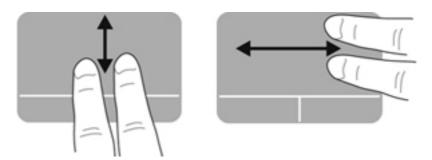
To turn the gestures on and off:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel and click System Settings > Mouse and Touchpad > Touchpad tab.
- Under **Scrolling**, select the gesture that you want to turn on or off. 2.
- To enable the selected gesture to scroll horizontally dragging your fingers left and right on the TouchPad, select Enable horizontal scrolling.
- Click the \mathbf{x} in the top left corner to close the window.

Two-finger scrolling

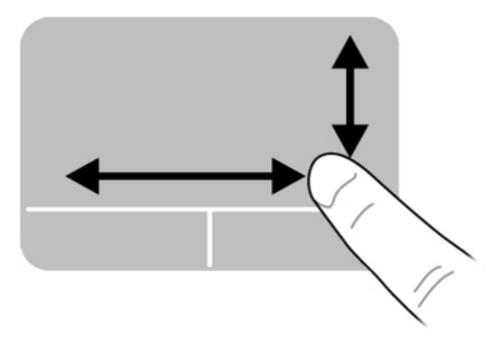
Scrolling is useful for moving up, down, or sideways on a page or image. To scroll, place two fingers slightly apart on the TouchPad, and then drag them across the TouchPad in an up, down, left, or right motion depending on whether Enable horizontal scrolling has been selected.

NOTE: Scrolling speed is controlled by finger speed.



Edge scrolling

Edge scrolling allows you to scroll using the edge of the TouchPad. When this is selected, slide your finger up and down the right side of your TouchPad to scroll vertically. When **Enable horizontal scrolling** is selected, move your finger left and right along the bottom of the TouchPad to scroll horizontally.



6 Managing power

Your computer can operate on either battery power or external power. When the computer is only running on battery power and an AC power source is not available to charge the battery, it is important to monitor and conserve the battery charge.

Shutting down the computer

A CAUTION: Unsaved information will be lost when the computer is shut down.

The shutdown command closes all open programs, including the operating system, and then turns off the display and computer.

Shut down the computer under any of the following conditions:

- When you need to replace the battery or access components inside the computer
- When you are connecting an external hardware device that does not connect to a USB port
- When the computer will be unused and disconnected from external power for an extended period

To shut down the computer, follow these steps:

NOTE: If the computer is in the Suspend state or in Hibernation, you must first exit Suspend or Hibernation before shutdown is possible.

- Save your work and close all open programs.
- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click Shutdown > Shut Down.

If the computer is unresponsive and you are unable to use the preceding shutdown procedure, try the following emergency procedures in the sequence provided:

- Press and hold the power button for at least 5 seconds.
- Disconnect the computer from external power, and then remove the battery if the computer includes a user-replaceable battery.

Setting power options

Using power-saving states

The computer has two power-saving states enabled at the factory: Suspend and Hibernation.

When Suspend is initiated, the power lights blink and the screen clears. Your work is saved to memory, letting you exit the Suspend state faster than exiting Hibernation. If the computer is in the Suspend state for an extended period or if the battery reaches a critical battery level while in the Suspend state, the computer initiates Hibernation.

When Hibernation is initiated, your work is saved to a hibernation file on the hard drive and the computer turns off.

CAUTION: To prevent possible audio and video degradation, loss of audio or video playback functionality, or loss of information, do not initiate Suspend or Hibernation while reading from or writing to a disc or an external media card.

NOTE: You cannot initiate any type of networking connection or perform any computer functions while the computer is in the Suspend state or in Hibernation.

Initiating and exiting Suspend

The system is set at the factory to initiate Suspend after a period of inactivity when running on battery power or on external power.

Power settings and timeouts can be changed by clicking the **System menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and then clicking **System Settings > Power** icon.

With the computer on, you can initiate Suspend in any of the following ways:

- Briefly press the power button.
- Close the display.

NOTE: This method works only when the computer is running on battery power.

Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click Suspend.

To exit Suspend:

Briefly press the power button.

When the computer exits Suspend, the power lights turn on and your work returns to the screen where you stopped working.

Initiating and exiting Hibernation

The system is set at the factory to initiate Hibernation after a period of inactivity when running on battery power or on external power, or when the battery reaches a critical battery level.

Power settings and timeouts can be changed by clicking the **System menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and then clicking **System Settings > Power** icon.

With the computer on, you can initiate Hibernation in any of the following ways:

- Briefly press the power button and click Hibernate.
- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click Hibernate.

To exit Hibernation:

Briefly press the power button.

When the computer exits Hibernation, the power lights turn on and your work returns to the screen where you stopped working.

Using the Power icon

The Power icon is located in the System Settings folder. The Power icon allows you to access power settings, view remaining battery charge, and select a different power plan.

- To display the percentage of remaining battery charge when the computer is running on battery power, click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Power icon.
 - NOTE: In power settings, the remaining battery charge displays only when the computer is running on battery power. When the computer is connected to AC power, click the **Battery menu** icon at the right of the top panel to view battery charge time.
- To access power settings, click the **System menu** icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click **System Settings > Power** icon.

Using power settings

Power settings is a collection of system settings that manages how the computer uses power. Power settings can help you conserve power or maximize performance.

You can customize power settings.

Viewing the current power settings

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings.> Power icon.
- NOTE: To quickly access power settings, you can also click the **Battery menu** icon at the right of the top panel, and then click **Power Settings**.

Changing the current power settings

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Power icon.
- 2. Change the settings under **On battery power** and **When plugged in**, as needed.

Using battery power

When a charged battery is in the computer and the computer is not plugged into external power, the computer runs on battery power. When a charged battery is in the computer and the computer is plugged into external AC power, the computer runs on AC power.

If the computer contains a charged battery and is running on external AC power supplied through the AC adapter, the computer switches to battery power if the AC adapter is disconnected from the computer.

NOTE: When you disconnect AC power, the display brightness is automatically decreased to save battery life. For information on increasing or decreasing display brightness, refer to Using the keyboard and pointing devices on page 27.

You can keep a battery in the computer or in storage, depending on how you work. Keeping the battery in the computer whenever the computer is plugged into AC power charges the battery and also protects your work in case of a power outage. However, a battery in the computer slowly discharges when the computer is off and unplugged from external power.

MARNING! To reduce potential safety issues, use only the battery provided with the computer, a replacement battery provided by HP, or a compatible battery purchased from HP.

Computer battery life varies, depending on power management settings, programs running on the computer, display brightness, external devices connected to the computer, and other factors.

Displaying the remaining battery charge

▲ Click the **Battery menu** icon at the right of the top panel.

Removing a user-replaceable battery

Your computer includes a user-replaceable battery.

- <u>WARNING!</u> To reduce potential safety issues, use only the user-replaceable battery provided with the computer, a replacement battery provided by HP, or a compatible battery purchased from HP.

To remove the battery:

- 1. Turn the computer upside down on a flat surface.
- 2. Slide the battery lock (1) to unlock the battery.
- 3. Slide the battery release latch (2) to release the battery.
- NOTE: The battery release latch automatically returns to its original position.
- 4. Remove the battery (3) from the computer.



Charging a battery

MARNING! Do not charge the computer battery while you are onboard aircraft.

The battery charges whenever the computer is plugged into external power through an AC adapter or an optional power adapter.

The battery charges whether the computer is off or in use, but it charges faster when the computer is off

Charging may take longer if a battery is new, has been unused for 2 weeks or more, or is much warmer or cooler than room temperature.

To prolong battery life and optimize the accuracy of battery charge displays, follow these recommendations:

- If you are charging a new battery, charge it fully before turning on the computer.
- NOTE: If the computer is on while the battery is charging, the battery meter in the notification area may show 100 percent charge before the battery is fully charged.
- Allow the battery to discharge below 5 percent of a full charge through normal use before charging it.
- If the battery has been unused for one month or more, calibrate the battery instead of simply charging it.

Maximizing battery life

To maximize battery life:

- 1. Click the **Battery menu** icon in the top panel, and then click **Power Settings**.
- 2. Under On battery power:
 - Select 30 minutes from the drop-down menu to the right of Suspend when inactive for.
 - Select the Suspend or Hibernate option to the right of When the lid is closed.
 - Select the Hibernate or Shutdown option to the right of When power is critically low.
- Click Close.

Managing low battery levels

The information in this section describes the alerts and system responses set at the factory. Some low-battery alerts and system responses can be changed using power settings. Changes set using power settings do not affect lights.

Identifying low battery levels

When a battery that is the sole power source for the computer reaches a low or critical battery level, the following behavior occurs:

- If Hibernation is enabled and the computer is on or in Suspend, the computer initiates Hibernation.
- If Hibernation is disabled and the computer is on or in Suspend, the computer remains briefly in Suspend, and then shuts down and loses any unsaved information.

Resolving a low battery level

Resolving a low battery level when external power is available

- Connect one of the following devices:
 - AC adapter
 - Optional power adapter purchased as an accessory from HP

Resolving a low battery level when a charged battery is available

- 1. Turn off the computer or initiate Hibernation.
- Replace the discharged battery with a charged battery.
- 3. Turn on the computer.

Resolving a low battery level when no power source is available

- Initiate Hibernation.
- Save your work and shut down the computer.

Resolving a low battery level when the computer cannot exit Hibernation

When the computer lacks sufficient power to exit Hibernation, follow these steps:

- 1. Replace the discharged battery with a charged battery, or connect the AC adapter to the computer and to external power.
- 2. Exit Hibernation by briefly pressing the power button.

Conserving battery power

- Turn off wireless and local area network (LAN) connections and exit modem applications when you are not using them.
- Disconnect unused external devices that are not plugged into an external power source.
- Stop, disable, or remove any external media cards that you are not using.
- Decrease brightness.
- Initiate Suspend or Hibernation, or shut down when you are not using the computer.

Storing a battery

<u>CAUTION</u>: To reduce the risk of damage to a battery, do not expose it to high temperatures for extended periods of time.

If a computer will be unused and unplugged from external power for more than 2 weeks, remove the battery and store it separately.

To prolong the charge of a stored battery, place it in a cool, dry place.

NOTE: A stored battery should be checked every 6 months. If the capacity is less than 50 percent, recharge the battery before returning it to storage.

Calibrate a battery before using it if it has been stored for one month or more.

Disposing of a used battery

WARNING! To reduce the risk of fire or burns, do not disassemble, crush, or puncture; do not short external contacts; do not dispose of in fire or water.

Refer to the Regulatory, Safety and Environmental Notices for battery disposal information.

Replacing the battery

Computer battery life varies, depending on power management settings, programs running on the computer, display brightness, external devices connected to the computer, and other factors.

You can find details about the battery by clicking the **Battery menu** icon at the right of the top panel.

NOTE: To ensure that you always have battery power when you need it, HP recommends purchasing a new battery when the storage capacity indicator turns green-yellow.

Using external AC power

NOTE: For information on connecting to AC power, refer to the *Setup Instructions* poster provided in the computer box.

External AC power is supplied through an approved AC adapter.

WARNING! To reduce potential safety issues, use only the AC adapter provided with the computer, a replacement AC adapter provided by HP, or a compatible AC adapter purchased from HP.

Connect the computer to external AC power under any of the following conditions:

- When you are charging or calibrating a battery
- When you are installing or modifying system software
- When writing information to a CD or DVD

When you connect the computer to external AC power, the following events occur:

- The battery begins to charge.
- If the computer is turned on, the **Battery menu** icon in the top panel changes appearance.

When you disconnect external AC power, the following events occur:

- The computer switches to battery power.
- The display brightness is automatically decreased to save battery life.

Testing an AC adapter

Test the AC adapter if the computer exhibits any of the following symptoms when it is connected to AC power:

- The computer does not turn on.
- The display does not turn on.
- The power lights are off.

To test the AC adapter:

- 1. Shut down the computer.
- 2. Remove the battery from the computer.
- 3. Connect the AC adapter to the computer, and then plug it into an AC outlet.
- 4. Turn on the computer.
 - If the power lights turn **on**, the AC adapter is functioning properly.
 - If the power lights remain **off**, the AC adapter is not functioning and should be replaced.

Contact support for information on obtaining a replacement AC power adapter.

7 Managing and sharing information

Drives are digital storage devices or solid-state drives that help you store, manage, share, and access information. Your computer has an internal hard drive that stores your computer's software, operating system, as well as providing storage for all of your personal files. Your computer may also have an optional external optical drive that allows you to read or write to a CD or DVD, to play and record audio and video.

For added capacity or functionality, connect an external drive (purchased separately), such as an optical drive or hard drive, or insert a digital storage card to import information directly from your phone or camera. A Universal Serial Bus (USB) flash drive, connected to the USB port on your computer, also allows quick data transfer. Some devices use the computer's power to run; others have their own power source. Some devices come with software that must be installed.

NOTE: For information about connecting external wireless devices, see Connecting to a network on page 15.

NOTE: For more information about required software and drivers, or to learn which computer port to use, see the manufacturer's instructions.

Using a USB device

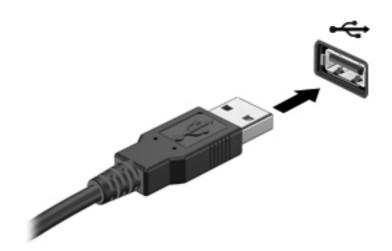
Most computers have more than one USB port, because this versatile interface allows you to connect numerous kinds of external devices to your computer, such as a USB keyboard, mouse, external drive, printer, scanner, or USB hub.

Your computer may have more than one type of USB port. See <u>Getting to know your computer</u> on page 4 for the types of USB ports you have on this computer. Be sure to purchase devices that are compatible with your computer.

Туре	Description
USB 2.0	Transfers data at 60 MB/s.
USB 3.0	Transfers data at 640 MB/s. USB 3.0 ports, also known as SuperSpeed ports, are also compatible with USB 1.0 and 2.0 devices.

Connecting a USB device

- CAUTION: To reduce the risk of damage to a USB connector, use minimal force to connect the device.
 - Connect the USB cable for the device to the USB port.
 - NOTE: The USB port on your computer may look slightly different from the illustration in this section.



NOTE: The first time you connect a USB device, a message in the notification area lets you know that the device is recognized by the computer.

Removing a USB device

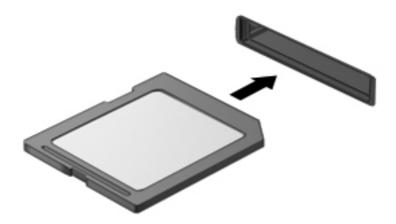
CAUTION: Use the following procedure to safely remove the USB device.

- To remove a USB device, save your information and close all programs associated with the device.
- Open File Browser by selecting the Home Folder located on the left side of the desktop in the Launcher.
- Click the Eject icon next to the device name in the Devices list on the left pane of File Browser.
 The USB device icon disappears from the Device list and the device can be safely removed.
- Remove the device.
- NOTE: You can also right-click the **Eject** icon next to the device name and select either **Eject** or **Safely Remove**. The USB device icon disappears from the Device list and the device can be safely removed.
- CAUTION: To safely remove an external USB DVD drive, always right-click the icon next to the device name and select Safely Remove. This allows the DVD file system to unmount from the operating system and power down the device.

Inserting and removing a digital storage card

To insert a digital storage card:

- 1. Hold the card label-side up, with the connectors facing the computer.
- 2. Insert the card into the digital storage slot, and then press in on the card until it is firmly seated.



To remove a digital storage card:

<u>CAUTION</u>: To reduce the risk of loss of data or an unresponsive system, use the following procedure to safely remove the digital card.

- Save your information and close all programs associated with the digital card.
- Open File Browser from the Home Folder located on the left side of the desktop in the Launcher.
- Click the Eject icon next to the digital card name in the Devices list on the left pane of File Browser. The USB device icon disappears from the Device list and the device can be safely removed.
 - NOTE: You are prompted that it is safe to remove the hardware device.

Press in on the card (1), and then remove it from the slot (2).



NOTE: If the card is not ejected, pull the card out of the slot.

Using optical drives

Your computer may include an optional external optical drive. An optical disc drive uses laser light to read or store large amounts of information. Some drives can only read information, but others can also write (burn) information onto a blank disc.

Use these tips for best performance of your optical drive:

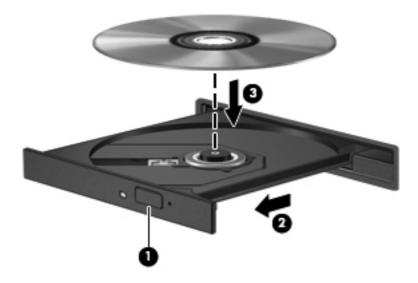
- When the battery is the only source of power, be sure the battery is sufficiently charged before writing to media.
- Do not type on the keyboard or move the computer while an optical drive is writing to a disc. The write process is sensitive to vibration.
- Make sure you have installed the latest software updates for the drive.
- If the disc you are using is not clean, wipe it with a dry, lint-free, soft cloth.

The optional external optical drive may support one or more of the following disc technologies:

- CD—A compact disc stores data that is read by a laser from the optical disc drive. The following CD formats are available:
 - CD-Recordable (CD-R), which allows the computer to read information and to record information one time on the CD. Once the information is recorded on the CD-R disc, it cannot be changed or erased; it is permanent.
 - CD-Re-Writable (CD-RW), which allows you to read information and record information many times to the CD. Information on the CD can be erased.
- DVD—A digital video disc is a high-capacity optical disc. It can store more information than a CD. A double-sided DVD can store up to 17 GB. The following DVD formats are available:
 - DVD-Recordable (DVD-R or DVD+R), which allow the computer to read information and to record information one time on the DVD. After the information is recorded on the disc, it cannot be changed or erased; it is permanent. The DVDs can be used in DVD±R drives.
 - DVD-Re-Writable (DVD-RW or DVD+RW), which allow to read information and record information many times to the disc. Information on the disc can be erased. The DVDs can be used in DVD±R drives.

Inserting an optical disc

- Turn on the computer.
- 2. Press the release button (1) on the drive bezel to release the disc tray.
- 3. Pull out the tray (2).
- Hold the disc by the edges to avoid touching the flat surfaces and position the disc label-side up over the tray spindle.
 - NOTE: If the tray is not fully accessible, tilt the disc carefully to position it over the spindle.
- Gently press the disc (3) down onto the tray spindle until the disc snaps into place.



Close the disc tray.

NOTE: After you insert a disc, a short pause is normal. If you have not selected a media player, an AutoPlay dialog box opens. It prompts you to select how you want to use the media content.

Removing an optical disc

- 1. Press the release button (1) on the drive bezel to release the disc tray, and then gently pull out the tray (2) until it stops.
- Remove the disc (3) from the tray by gently pressing down on the spindle while lifting the outer edges of the disc. Hold the disc by the edges and avoid touching the flat surfaces.
 - NOTE: If the tray is not fully accessible, tilt the disc carefully as you remove it.



3. Close the disc tray and place the disc in a protective case.

If the disc tray does not open normally, see <u>Disc drive problems on page 67</u>.

8 Maintaining your computer

Updating programs and drivers

HP recommends that you update your programs and drivers on a regular basis to the latest versions. Updates can resolve issues and bring new features and options to your computer. Technology is always changing, and updating programs and drivers allows your computer to run the latest technology available. For example, older graphics components might not work well with the most recent gaming software. Without the latest driver, you would not be getting the most out of your equipment.

There are two ways you can obtain updates for your computer:

- Go to http://www.hp.com/support to download the latest versions of HP programs and drivers. In addition, register to receive automatic update notifications when they become available.
- Set your computer to receive automatic updates.

To set your computer to receive free automatic Ubuntu updates:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click Software up to Date.
- 2. In the **Update Manager** window, click the **Check** button to check for new software updates.
- 3. Click the box on the right of the updates to indicate which updates are to be installed, and then click the **Install Updates** button.
- Click Close after the updates have been installed.
- NOTE: To change the settings for software updates, click the **Settings** button on the bottom of the **Update Manager** window.

Cleaning your computer

Cleaning your computer and external devices helps keep them in good working condition. If you don't clean your computer, dust and dirt particles can build up.

Avoid using the following cleaning products to clean your computer:

Strong solvents, such as alcohol, acetone, ammonium chloride, methylene chloride, and hydrocarbons, which can permanently damage the surface of the computer.

Cleaning the display, sides, and cover

Gently wipe the display using a soft, lint-free cloth moistened with an *alcohol-free* glass cleaner. Allow the display to dry before closing the computer cover.

Use a pre-moistened germicidal wipe to clean the sides and cover. Fibrous materials, such as paper towels, can scratch the computer.

NOTE: When cleaning the cover of the computer, use a circular motion to aid in removing dirt and debris.

Cleaning the TouchPad and keyboard

- To clean and disinfect the TouchPad and keyboard, use a soft microfiber cloth or a static-free cloth without oil (such as a chamois cloth) moistened with an alcohol-free glass cleaner or use an acceptable germicidal disposable wipe.
- To prevent keys from sticking and to remove dust, lint, and particles from the keyboard, use a can of compressed air with a straw extension.

WARNING! To reduce the risk of electric shock or damage to internal components, do not use a vacuum cleaner attachment to clean the keyboard. A vacuum cleaner can deposit household debris on the keyboard surface.

Traveling with or shipping your computer

If you have to travel with or ship your computer, here are some tips to keep in mind to keep your equipment safe.

- Prepare the computer for traveling or shipping:
 - Back up your information to an external drive.
 - Remove all discs and all external media cards, such as digital storage cards, from the computer.
 - Turn off, and then disconnect all external devices.
 - Remove any media from the drive before removing the drive from a drive bay.
 - A CAUTION: Perform this action before shipping, storing, or traveling with a drive. This will help reduce the risk of damage to the computer, damage to a drive, or loss of information.
 - Shut down the computer.
- Take along a backup of your information. Keep the backup separate from the computer.
- When traveling by air, carry the computer as hand luggage; do not check it in with the rest of your luggage.
- Avoid exposing a drive to magnetic fields. Security devices with magnetic fields include airport walk-through devices and security wands. Airport conveyer belts and similar security devices that check carry-on baggage use X-rays instead of magnetism and do not damage drives.
- If you plan to use the computer during a flight, listen for the in-flight announcement that tells you when you are allowed to use your computer. In-flight computer use is at the discretion of the airline.
- If the computer will be unused and disconnected from external power for more than 2 weeks, remove the battery and store it separately.
- If you are shipping the computer or a drive, use suitable protective packaging and label the package "FRAGILE."
- If the computer has a wireless device installed, the use of these devices may be restricted in some environments. Such restrictions may apply onboard aircraft, in hospitals, near explosives, and in hazardous locations. If you are uncertain of the policy that applies to the use of a particular device, ask for authorization to use your computer before you turn it on.
- If you are traveling internationally, follow these suggestions:
 - Check the computer-related customs regulations for each country or region on your itinerary.
 - Check the power cord and adapter requirements for each location in which you plan to use the computer. Voltage, frequency, and plug configurations vary.
 - MARNING! To reduce the risk of electric shock, fire, or damage to the equipment, do not attempt to power the computer with a voltage converter kit sold for appliances.

9 Securing your computer and information

Protecting the computer

NOTE: Security solutions are designed to act as deterrents, but they may not deter software attacks or prevent the computer from being mishandled or stolen.

Security features provided with your computer can protect the computer, personal information, and data from a variety of risks. The way you use your computer will determine which security features you need to use.

The operating system offers certain security features. Additional security features are listed in the following table. Most of these additional security features can be configured in Setup Utility.

To protect against	Use this security feature	
Unauthorized use of the computer	Power-on authentication using passwords	
Unauthorized access to Setup Utility (f10)	Administrator password in Setup Utility*	
Unauthorized access to data	 Firewall software (not installed in the Ubuntu operating system by default) 	
	Operating system updates	
Unauthorized access to Setup Utility settings and other system identification information	Administrator password in Setup Utility*	
Unauthorized removal of the computer	Security cable slot (used with an optional security cable)	
*Setup Utility is a utility accessed by pressing f10 when the must use the keys on your computer to navigate and make	computer is turned on or restarted. When using Setup Utility, yo selections.	

Using passwords

A password is a group of characters that you choose to secure your computer information. Several types of passwords can be set, depending on how you want to control access to your information. Passwords can be set in the operating system or in Setup Utility, which is preinstalled on the computer.

NOTE: To reduce the risk of being locked out of the computer, record each password and store it in a secure place.

Setting passwords in the operating system

Operating system passwords	Function
Root password	Protects access to an operating system root-level account.
User password	Protects access to an operating system user account.

Setting passwords in Setup Utility

Setup Utility passwords	Function
Administrator password*	Protects access to Setup Utility.
	 After this password is set, it must be entered each time you access Setup Utility.
	CAUTION: If you forget your administrator password, you cannot access Setup Utility.
	NOTE: The administrator password can be used in place of the power-on password.
	NOTE: Your administrator password is not displayed as it is set, entered, changed, or deleted.
	NOTE: If you enter the power-on password at the first password check, you must enter the administrator password to access Setup Utility.
Power-on password*	Protects access to the computer contents.
	 After this password is set, it must be entered each time you turn on or restart the computer, or exit Hibernation.
	CAUTION: If you forget your power-on password, you cannot turn on or restart the computer, or exit Hibernation.
	NOTE: The administrator password can be used in place of the power-on password.
	NOTE: A power-on password is not displayed as it is set, entered, changed, or deleted.

Managing an administrator password

To set, change, or delete this password, follow these steps:

- 1. Open Setup Utility by turning on or restarting the computer. While the computer is booting, press esc. When the Startup menu is displayed, press f10.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select **Security > Set Administrator Password**, and then press enter.
 - To set an administrator password, type your password in the Enter New Password and Confirm New Password fields, and then press enter.
 - To change an administrator password, type your current password in the Enter Current Password field, type a new password in the Enter New Password and Confirm New Password fields, and then press enter.
 - To delete an administrator password, type your current password in the Enter Password field, and then press enter 4 times.
- To save your changes and exit Setup Utility, use the arrow keys to select Exit > Exit Saving Changes.

Your changes take effect when the computer restarts.

Entering an administrator password

At the **Enter Password** prompt, type your administrator password, and then press enter. After 3 unsuccessful attempts to enter the administrator password, you must restart the computer and try again.

Managing a power-on password

To set, change, or delete this password, follow these steps:

- 1. Open Setup Utility by turning on or restarting the computer. While the computer is booting, press esc. When the Startup menu is displayed, press f10.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select **Security > Set Power-On Password**, and then press enter.
 - To set a power-on password, type your password in the Enter New Password and Confirm New Password fields, and then press enter.
 - To change a power-on password, type your current password in the Enter Current
 Password field, type a new password in the Enter New Password and Confirm New
 Password fields, and then press enter.
 - To delete a power-on password, type your current password in the Enter Current Password field, and then press enter 4 times.
- To save your changes and exit Setup Utility, use the arrow keys to select Exit > Exit Saving Changes.

Your changes take effect when the computer restarts.

Entering a power-on password

At the **Enter Password** prompt, type your password, and then press enter. After 3 unsuccessful attempts to enter the password, you must restart the computer and try again.

Using Internet security software

When you use your computer to access email, a network, or the Internet, you potentially expose your computer to computer viruses, spyware, and other online threats. To help protect your computer, Internet security software that includes antivirus and firewall features may be preinstalled on your computer as a trial offer. To provide ongoing protection against newly discovered viruses and other security risks, security software must be kept up to date. It is strongly recommended that you upgrade the security software trial offer or purchase the software of your choice in order to fully protect your computer.

Using antivirus software

Computer viruses can disable programs, utilities, or the operating system, or cause them to function abnormally. Antivirus software can detect most viruses, destroy them, and in most cases, repair any damage they have caused.

Using firewall software

Firewalls are designed to prevent unauthorized access to a system or network. The Ubuntu operating system ships with no open ports; therefore, it does not include a firewall utility in the base operating system. However, you may use the Ubuntu Software Center, located in the Launcher on the left side of the desktop, to download Gufw, a free Ubuntu firewall utility.

To install Gufw:

- Click on the Ubuntu Software Center folder located in the Launcher on the left side of the desktop.
- 2. Enter Gufw in the search bar and press enter.
- 3. Double-click the **Firewall Configuration** icon, and then click the **Install** button.
- Follow the on-screen instructions.

To view or modify firewall settings after installing Gufw:

- Select Ubuntu Software Center from the Launcher on the left side of the desktop, and then click Gufw.
 - NOTE: When accessing Gufw, you are prompted for the root password.
- Follow the on-screen instructions.
- NOTE: Under some circumstances a firewall can block access to Internet games, interfere with printer or file sharing on a network, or block authorized email attachments. To temporarily resolve the problem, disable the firewall, perform the task that you want to perform, and then reenable the firewall immediately. To permanently resolve the problem, you must reconfigure the firewall.

Securing your wireless network

When you set up your wireless network, always enable security features. For more information, see Protecting your WLAN on page 18.

Backing up your software applications and information

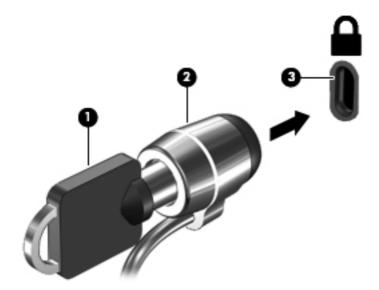
Regularly back up your software applications and information to protect them from being permanently lost or damaged through a virus attack or a software or hardware failure. For more information, see <u>Backing up, restoring, and recovering on page 61</u>.

Using an optional security cable lock

A security cable lock, which is purchased separately, is designed to act as a deterrent, but it may not prevent the computer from being mishandled or stolen. Security cable locks are only one of several methods that should be employed as part of a complete security solution to help maximize theft protection.

The security cable slot on your computer may look slightly different from the illustration in this section. For the location of the security cable slot on your computer, see Getting to know your computer on page 4.

- 1. Loop the security cable lock around a secured object.
- 2. Insert the key (1) into the security cable lock (2).
- 3. Insert the security cable lock into the security cable slot on the computer (3), and then lock the security cable lock with the key.



Remove the key and keep it in a safe place.

10 Using Setup Utility (BIOS) and System **Diagnostics**

Setup Utility, or Basic Input/Output System (BIOS), controls communication between all the input and output devices on the system (such as disk drives, display, keyboard, mouse, and printer). Setup Utility includes settings for the types of peripherals installed, the startup sequence of the computer, and the amount of system and extended memory.

NOTE: Use extreme care when making changes in Setup Utility. Errors can prevent the computer from operating properly.

Starting Setup Utility

Turn on or restart the computer. While the computer is booting press esc. When the Startup menu is displayed, press f10.

Using Setup Utility

Changing the language of Setup Utility

- Start Setup Utility.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select **System Configuration > Language**, and then press enter.
- 3. Use the arrow keys to select a language, and then press enter.
- When a confirmation prompt with your language selected is displayed, press enter.
- To save your change and exit Setup Utility, use the arrow keys to select Exit > Exit Saving Changes, and then press enter.

Your change takes effect immediately.

Navigating and selecting in Setup Utility

Setup Utility does not support the TouchPad. Navigation and selection are by keystroke.

- To choose a menu or a menu item, use the arrow keys.
- To choose an item in a list or to toggle a field—for example an Enable/Disable field—use either the arrow keys or f5 and f6.
- To select an item, press enter.
- To close a text box or return to the menu display, press esc.
- To display additional navigation and selection information while Setup Utility is open, press f1.

Displaying system information

- 1. Start Setup Utility.
- 2. Select the **Main** menu. System information such as the system time and date, and identification information about the computer is displayed.
- To exit Setup Utility without changing any settings, use the arrow keys to select Exit > Exit
 Discarding Changes, and then press enter.

Restoring factory default settings in Setup Utility

- 1. Start Setup Utility.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Load Setup Defaults**, and then press enter.
- 3. When the Setup Confirmation is displayed, press enter.
- 4. To save your change and exit Setup Utility, use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Saving Changes**, and then press enter.

The Setup Utility factory settings take effect when the computer restarts.

NOTE: Your password, security, and language settings are not changed when you restore the factory settings.

Exiting Setup Utility

- To exit Setup Utility and save your changes from the current session:
 - If the Setup Utility menus are not visible, press esc to return to the menu display. Then use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Saving Changes**, and then press enter.
- To exit Setup Utility without saving your changes from the current session:
 - If the Setup Utility menus are not visible, press esc to return to the menu display. Then use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Discarding Changes**, and then press enter.

Updating the BIOS

Updated versions of the BIOS may be available on the HP website.

Most BIOS updates on the HP website are packaged in compressed files called *SoftPaqs*.

Some download packages contain a file named Readme.txt, which contains information regarding installing and troubleshooting the file.

Determining the BIOS version

To determine whether available BIOS updates contain later BIOS versions than those currently installed on the computer, you need to know the version of the system BIOS currently installed.

BIOS version information (also known as *ROM date* and *System BIOS*) can be displayed by using Setup Utility.

- Start Setup Utility.
- 2. If the system information is not displayed, use the arrow keys to select the **Main** menu.

 BIOS and other system information is displayed.
- 3. To exit Setup Utility, use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Discarding Changes**, and then press enter.

Downloading a BIOS update

CAUTION: To reduce the risk of damage to the computer or an unsuccessful installation, download and install a BIOS update only when the computer is connected to reliable external power using the AC adapter. Do not download or install a BIOS update while the computer is running on battery power, or connected to an optional power source. During the download and installation, follow these instructions:

Do not disconnect power from the computer by unplugging the power cord from the AC outlet.

Do not shut down the computer or initiate Suspend or Hibernation.

Do not insert, remove, connect, or disconnect any device, cable, or cord.

- Access the page on the HP website that provides software for your computer.
- Follow the on-screen instructions to identify your computer and access the BIOS update you want to download.
- At the download area, follow these steps:
 - a. Identify the BIOS update that is later than the BIOS version currently installed on your computer. Make a note of the date, name, or other identifier. You may need this information to locate the update later, after it has been downloaded to your hard drive.
 - **b.** Follow the on-screen instructions to download your selection to the hard drive.

Make a note of the path to the location on your hard drive where the BIOS update is downloaded. You will need to access this path when you are ready to install the update.

NOTE: If you connect your computer to a network, consult the network administrator before installing any software updates, especially system BIOS updates.

BIOS installation procedures vary. Follow any instructions that are displayed on the screen after the download is complete.

NOTE: After a message on the screen reports a successful installation, you can delete the downloaded file from your hard drive.

Using Advanced System Diagnostics

Advanced System Diagnostics allows you to run diagnostic tests to determine if the computer hardware is functioning properly. The following diagnostic tests are available in Advanced System Diagnostics:

- Start-up test—This test analyzes the main computer components that are required to start the computer.
- Run-in test—This test repeats the start-up test and checks for intermittent problems that the start-up test does not detect.
- Hard disk test—This test analyzes the physical condition of the hard drive, and then checks all
 data in every sector of the hard drive. If the test detects a damaged sector, it attempts to move
 the data to a good sector.
- Memory test—This test analyzes the physical condition of the memory modules. If it reports an error, replace the memory modules immediately.
- Battery test—This test analyzes the condition of the battery and calibrates the battery if necessary. If the battery fails the test, contact support to report the issue and purchase a replacement battery.
- System Tune-Up—This group of additional tests checks your computer to make sure that the
 main components are functioning correctly. System Tune-Up runs longer and more
 comprehensive tests on memory modules, hard drive SMART attributes, the hard drive surface,
 the battery (and battery calibration), video memory, and the WLAN module status.

You can view system information and error logs in the Advanced System Diagnostics window.

To start Advanced System Diagnostics:

- 1. Turn on or restart the computer. While the computer is booting press esc. When the Startup menu is displayed, press f2.
- 2. Click the diagnostic test you want to run, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

NOTE: If you need to stop a diagnostics test while it is running, press esc.

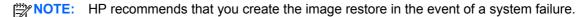
11 Backing up, restoring, and recovering

Recovery after a system failure is as good as your most recent backup. As you add new software and data files, you should continue to back up your system on a regular basis to maintain a reasonably current backup.

Performing a system recovery

The Deja Dup Restore Tool allows you to repair or restore the computer to its original factory state. You can create an image restore DVD using an optional external DVD±RW optical drive. You can also create a restore image on a USB storage device.

CAUTION: Using Restore completely erases hard drive contents and reformats the hard drive. All files you have created and any software installed on the computer are permanently removed. The recovery tool reinstalls the original operating system and programs and drivers that were installed at the factory. Software, drivers, and updates not installed at the factory must be manually reinstalled. Personal files must be restored from a backup.



Creating the restore DVDs

The restore creation software creates a set of system restore discs using blank, writable DVDs (DVD-R or DVD+R). HP recommends using blank DVD+R discs from a manufacturer you trust, because these recovery DVDs are so important. You need approximately 3 blank DVD+R discs. The program states how many discs are needed at the beginning of the process.

To create restore DVDs:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Backup.
- Select Storage from the panel on the left side of the window, click the down-arrow next to Backup Location, and select the DVD from the drop-down list.
- 3. Select Overview from the panel on the left side of the window, and then click Back Up Now.
- Follow the on-screen instructions.

Creating a restore image on a USB device

NOTE: Be sure AC power is connected to the computer you begin.

Verify the exact amount of free space on your storage device before you begin the creation process. For most models, you will need at least 8 GB of free space on the storage device. However, depending on the drivers and software installed on your computer, you may need slightly more than 8 GB of space. HP recommends that you use a 16 GB device or above for best results.

IMPORTANT: Remember to insert your USB device into the USB port on the computer before starting this procedure.

To create the restore image:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Backup.
- Select **Storage** from the panel on the left side of the window, click the down-arrow next to **Backup location**, and select the USB device from the drop-down list.
- NOTE: If the USB device is not listed in the drop-down list for Backup Location, select Local Folder, and then click the Choose Folder button. Select the USB device from the panel on the left side of the Choose Folder window, and click OK.
- Select **Overview** from the panel on the left side of the window, and then click **Backup Now**.
- Follow the on-screen instructions.

Performing recovery using the restore DVD

NOTE: The following procedure uses the F11 BIOS Recovery feature to perform the recovery.

- If possible, back up all personal files.
- 2. Shut down the computer.
- 3. Be sure the restore DVD or USB device is connected to the computer.
- Restart the computer.
- Using the arrow keys, select **Recovery**, and then press enter.
- Follow the on-screen instructions.

NOTE: If you are unable to boot (start up) your computer with the primary operating system, and you did not create a system recovery disc, you must purchase an Ubuntu Operating System DVD to reinstall the operating system. For additional information, refer to the Worldwide Telephone Numbers booklet for more information.

Backing up your information

You should back up your computer files on a regular schedule to maintain a current backup. You can manually back up your information to an optional external drive, a network drive, discs, or the Ubuntu One website. Back up your system at the following times:

- At regularly scheduled times
- Before the computer is repaired or restored
- Before you add or modify hardware or software

To back up your home directory files to the Ubuntu website using the Deja Dup Backup Tool:

NOTE: Before you back up your information, be sure you have designated a location to save the backup files.

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Backup icon.
- Select Folders from the panel on the left side of the window, and beneath Folders to back up, select the folders to back up.
- 3. Select **Storage** from the panel on the left side of the window, click the down-arrow next to **Backup Location**, and select **Ubuntu One** from the drop-down list.
- 4. Select **Overview** from the panel on the left side of the window, and then click **Back Up Now**.
 - NOTE: The first time you backup your files to Ubuntu One, you will need to create an account to sign into Ubuntu One. Enter your email address and password into the account sign-in boxes and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the sign-in process.

To restore backup files:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Backup icon.
- Click Restore, select the location of the backup files and the folder name, and then click Forward.
- 3. Under Restore from When?, select the date of the files to be restored and click Forward.
- Select the location and folder where the files are to be restored and click Forward.
- Follow the on-line instructions.
- **6.** Click **Restore** to start restoring the files, or click **Cancel** to cancel the operation.

NOTE: You may also back up to cloud storage services provided by various companies. For a small fee, they will keep your backup for you. A cloud service is recommended since it is an easy way to keep your backups off-site and safe from any disaster.

12 Specifications

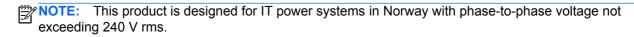
Input power

The power information in this section may be helpful if you plan to travel internationally with the computer.

The computer operates on DC power, which can be supplied by an AC or a DC power source. The AC power source must be rated at 100–240 V, 50–60 Hz. Although the computer can be powered from a standalone DC power source, it should be powered only with an AC adapter or a DC power source supplied and approved by HP for use with this computer.

The computer can operate on DC power within the following specifications. Operating voltage and current varies by platform.

Input power	Rating
Operating voltage and current	18.5 V dc @ 3.5 A or 19.5 V dc @ 3.33 A – 65 W
DC plug of external HP power supply	⊝€⊕



NOTE: The computer operating voltage and current can be found on the system regulatory label.

Operating environment

Factor	Metric	U.S.		
Temperature				
Operating	5°C to 35°C	41°F to 95°F		
Nonoperating	-20°C to 60°C	-4°F to 140°F		
Relative humidity (noncondensing)				
Operating	10% to 90%	10% to 90%		
Nonoperating	5% to 95%	5% to 95%		
Maximum altitude (unpressurized)				
Operating	-15 m to 3,048 m	-50 ft to 10,000 ft		
Nonoperating	-15 m to 12,192 m	-50 ft to 40,000 ft		

13 Troubleshooting and support

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Troubleshooting

Disc drive problems

If the disc tray fails to open normally, follow these steps:

- 1. Insert the end of a paper clip into the release access (1) in the front bezel of the drive.
- 2. Press in gently on the paper clip until the tray is released, and then pull out the tray (2) until it stops.
- 3. Remove the disc (3) from the tray by gently pressing down on the spindle while lifting the outer edges of the disc. Hold the disc by the edges and avoid touching the flat surfaces.
- NOTE: If the tray is not fully accessible, tilt the disc carefully as you remove it.



4. Close the disc tray and place the disc in a protective case.

Wireless connection problems

Some possible causes for wireless connection problems include the following:

- Wireless device is not turned on.
- Wireless device is not installed correctly or has been disabled.
- Wireless device encountered interference from other devices.
- Wireless device or router hardware has failed.

NOTE: Wireless networking devices are included with select computer models only. If wireless networking is not listed in the feature list on the side of the original computer package, you may add wireless networking capability to the computer by purchasing a wireless networking device.

Cannot connect to the wireless router

If you are trying to connect to the wireless router and are unsuccessful, reset the wireless router by removing power from the router for 10 to 15 seconds.

If the computer still cannot make a connection to a WLAN, restart the wireless router. For details, see the router manufacturer's instructions.

Audio problems

To check the system sound on your computer, follow these steps:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Sound icon.
- Click the Sound Effects tab, and then select one of the sound options under Choose an alert sound to test each sound.

To check the recording functions of the computer, follow these steps:

- Click the System menu icon at the far right of the top panel, and then click System Settings > Sound icon.
- Click the Input tab, and then select Line in or Internal Microphone from the Record Sound From panel on the left side of the window.
- 3. Adjust the input volume by moving the **Input volume** slider to the desired setting.

NOTE: For best results when recording, speak directly into the microphone and record sound in a setting free of background noise.

To confirm or change the audio settings on your computer, click the **Sound menu** icon at the right of the top panel.

Power management problems

Some possible causes for power management problems include the following:

- Low battery levels
- AC adapter problems

Resolving a low battery level

Resolving a low battery level when external power is available

- Connect an AC adapter.
- Connect an optional docking or expansion device.
- Connect an optional power adapter purchased as an accessory from HP.

Resolving a low battery level when a charged battery is available

- 1. Turn off the computer or initiate Hibernation.
- Replace the discharged battery with a charged battery.
- 3. Turn on the computer.

Resolving a low battery level when no power source is available

- Initiate Hibernation.
- Save your work and shut down the computer.

Resolving a low battery level when the computer cannot exit Hibernation

When the computer lacks sufficient power to exit Hibernation, follow these steps:

- 1. Replace the discharged user-replaceable battery with a charged battery, or connect the AC adapter to the computer and to external power.
- **2.** Exit Hibernation by pressing the power button.

Troubleshooting an AC adapter

Test the AC adapter if the computer exhibits any of the following symptoms when it is connected to AC power:

- The computer does not turn on.
- The display does not turn on.
- The power lights are off.

To test the AC adapter:

- 1. Shut down the computer.
- Remove the battery from the computer.
- 3. Connect the AC adapter to the computer, and then plug it into an AC outlet.
- 4. Turn on the computer.
 - If the power lights turn *on*, the AC adapter is working properly.
 - If the power lights remain *off*, check the connection from the AC adapter to the computer and the connection from the AC adapter to the AC outlet to make sure the connections are secure.
 - If the connections are secure and the power lights remain *off*, the AC adapter is not functioning and should be replaced.

Contact support for information about obtaining a replacement AC power adapter.

Contacting support

If the information provided in this user guide or in Ubuntu Help does not answer your questions, you can contact support. For U.S. support, go to http://www.hp.com/go/contactHP. For worldwide support, go to http://welcome.hp.com/country/us/en/wwcontact_us.html.

Here you can:

- Chat online with an HP technician.
- NOTE: When support chat is not available in a particular language, it is available in English.
- Email support.
- Find support telephone numbers.
- Locate an HP service center.



14 Electrostatic Discharge

Electrostatic discharge is the release of static electricity when two objects come into contact—for example, the shock you receive when you walk across the carpet and touch a metal door knob.

A discharge of static electricity from fingers or other electrostatic conductors may damage electronic components. To prevent damage to the computer, damage to a drive, or loss of information, observe these precautions:

- If removal or installation instructions direct you to unplug the computer, unplug it after being properly grounded and before removing a cover.
- Keep components in their electrostatic-safe containers until you are ready to install them.
- Avoid touching pins, leads, and circuitry. Handle electronic components as little as possible.
- Use nonmagnetic tools.
- Before handling components, discharge static electricity by touching an unpainted metal surface of the component.
- If you remove a component, place it in an electrostatic-safe container.

If you need more information about static electricity or assistance with component removal or installation, contact support.

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