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FOCUS ON BEFORE COMPUTERS

| 1. Write a paragraph summarizing the main i | dea of Chapter 4. |
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2. Would you rather write using a typewriter or a computer? Why?

- **3.** Which machine lets people look at old newspapers?
 - A. a typewriter
 - B. a card catalog
 - C. a microfiche reader
- **4.** Why might finding information without a computer have taken longer?
 - **A.** People could not find books at the library without computers.
 - **B.** People had no way to know where the library kept each book.
 - **C.** People had to check one book or page at a time.

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- 5. What does calculate mean in this book?
 - At first, workers had to **calculate** what customers paid. They wrote the numbers on paper.
 - **A.** to make a sneaky plan
 - **B.** to add or subtract numbers
 - C. to type numbers on a computer
- **6.** What does **tasks** mean in this book?

Today, computers do many **tasks**. Some solve complex math problems. Others store huge amounts of information.

- **A.** jobs or activities
- **B.** names for people
- C. types of food

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Answer Key:

- 1. Answers will vary
- 2. Answers will vary
- **3**. C
- **4**. C
- **5**. B
- **6.** A