

When your computer starts for the first time, what you see is called the Desktop. It will look something like this:



The Desktop is split into two areas. The strip at the bottom, with the clock to the right and the round Start button to the left, is called the Taskbar. We explore this area in a different section (the Taskbar). But here's a closer look at it:



The rest of the Desktop is the space where all your programs will appear when you start them up. This space contains a default background wallpaper, but it will also contain the icons (shortcuts) to the installed default programs for teachers and staff.