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PART A – Tools Needed

1.0 Screwdrivers



Screwdriver is used for screwing (installing) and unscrewing (removing) screws.

2.0 Pliers



Plier is used to remove and insert jumpers on motherboards and hard drives. It can also be used to cut wires.

3.0 Heat Sink Compounds



Heat Sink Compound is used to eliminate air gaps or spaces (which act as thermal insulation) from the interface area in order to maximize heat transfer and dissipation. It helps to improve the thermal efficiency of heat sinks and improves cooling.

4.0 Cable Ties



Cable tie is used to bundle the wires neatly and cables away from fans and other components inside the computer.

5.0 Flashlights



Flashlight is used as a light source to light up the internal of CPU when assembling the components.

6.0 Scissors



Scissors is used to cut the cable tie after bundling the cable. Scissors can also be used to cut wires.

PART B – Sketching the Layout of Motherboard

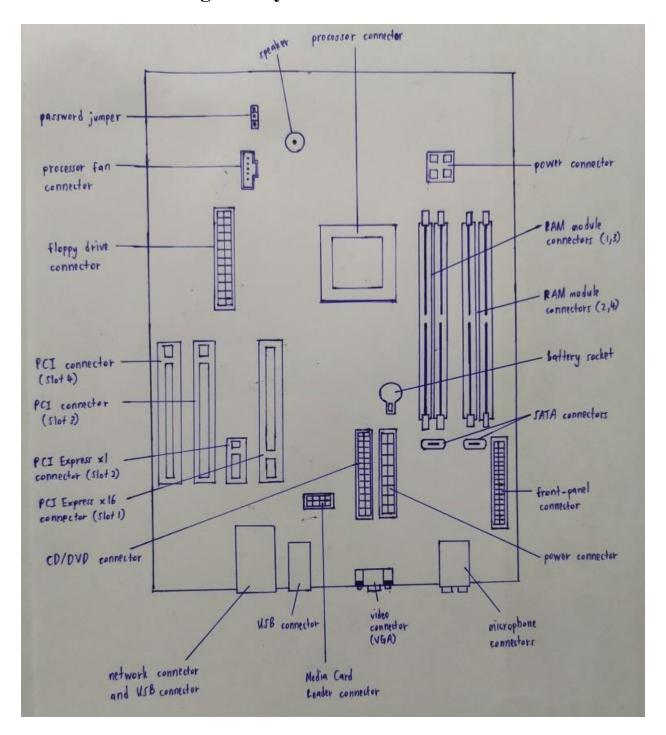


Diagram - A Sketch of a motherboard layout

PART C - "Step by Step PC Assembly"

STEP 1 – INSTALL THE PROCESSOR



Unlock the Processor Holder Latch Socket Retention Module Mount.



Place the processor chip into the Processor Holder Latch Socket Retention Module Mount.



Lock the Processor Holder Latch Socket Retention Module Mount.

STEP 2 – COMPLETE THE HEAT SINK



Apply the Heat Sink Compound on the top of the processor chip.



Align the Heat Sink to the processor and the motherboard.



Screw the Heat Sink to the motherboard.



Connect the cable of the Heat Sink to the Processor Fan slot on the motherboard.

STEP 3 – INSTALL THE RAM



Unlock the RAM holder on the motherboard.



Insert the RAM into the motherboard and lock the RAM holder.

STEP 4 – MOUNT THE POWER SUPPLY



Insert the power supply into the power supply slot in CPU.



Screw the power supply to the CPU case using the screwdriver.

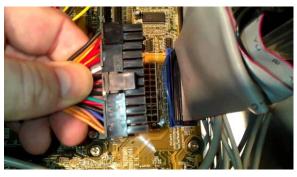
STEP 5 – INSTALL THE MOTHERBOARD



Place the motherboard into the CPU and align to the motherboard slot.



Screw the motherboard to the CPU case using the screwdriver.



Connect the power supply to the motherboard using 24-Pin Cable or any pin which is suitable.

STEP 6 - INSTALL THE CD ROM DRIVE



Insert the CD ROM Drive into the CPU.



Screw the CD ROM Drive to the CPU case using the screwdriver.



Connect the CD ROM Drive with the motherboard using SATA cable and connect the power supply to the drive using 4-Pin Cable or any pin which is suitable.

STEP 7 - INSTALL THE GRAPHIC CARD



Check how many slots needed for the graphic card and unscrew the slots.



Remove the slots and unlock the holder of the graphic card on the motherboard.



Insert the graphic card into the PCI slot in the motherboard.



Screw the graphic card to the CPU case using the screwdriver.



Connect the power supply to the graphic card using 6-Pin PCI-E Cable or any pin which is suitable.

STEP 8 – INSTALL THE HARD DISK



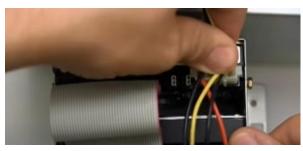
Insert the hard disk into the hard disk slot in the CPU.



Mount the hard disk to the CPU case using the screwdriver.



Connect the main hard disk with Master IDE slot and the secondary hard disk with Slave IDE slot then connect the Mainboard IDE slot into the motherboard.



Connect the power supply to the hard disk using the 4-Pin cable or any pin which is suitable.

LAST STEP - CLOSING THE CASE AND CONNECTING THE PERIPHERALS



Place the side cover back on and secure the side panels with case screws.

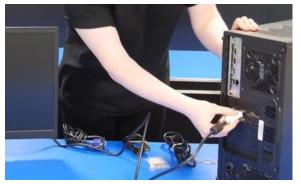




Connect peripheral devices which include keyboard, mouse, wireless network dongle, printer, and webcams with your CPU by plugging into USB port.



Then, connect speakers and microphone into 3.5 mm sockets.



Finally connect the CPU with monitor by plugging into display ports.