

Review Questions

Section 9.1

9.1 True or False? Magnetic disks provide the bulk of secondary storage for modern computer systems.

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9.2 True or False? Solid state disks have the same characteristics as traditional hard disks.

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9.3 What is the term for the smallest unit of transfer between a disk?

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9.4 What are the two ways a computer can access disk storage?

Section 9.4

- 9.5 List the three general disk scheduling algorithms.
- 9.6 What disk scheduling algorithm is typically used with SSDs?

Section 9.5

- 9.7 What must be done to a disk before it can be used for storage? (
- 9.8 Where does the Windows system place its boot code?

Section 9.6

9.9 True or False? Most modern systems swam entire processes to swap space.

Section 9.7

9.10 What is the fundamental reason RAID is used?

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Section 9.8

9.11 What are the three possible outcomes when writing to disk?