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____1. All hard drives are formatted in the same way.

____2. The hard drive partition table is very important; if it is altered, you may have serious problems.

____3. If you install a new hard drive into a computer, you will not be able to call it drive C.

____4. A computer operating system cannot distinguish between a physically separate drive, a floppy drive, or a logical drive within a hard disk.

____5. This book was published before Windows Me.

____6. Even if you add one character to a full cluster, you will use up another cluster of over 2000 bytes.

____7. There are many ways to reduce the amount of space that is wasted in storing information on a hard drive.

____8. The size of file names is not nearly as important in recent editions of operating systems as it was only a few years ago.

____9. A few years ago, it was pretty easy to calculate the capacity of a hard drive using simple arithmetic..

____10.Computers that have hard drives and systems developed before more modern and complex hardware systems were developed can still communicate with newer computers thanks to a computer's ability to convert from physical geometry to logical geometry.

____11. Independent organizations have helped to coordinate how various manufacturers create disk storage systems, but they have not done as good a job as they could have done.

____12. Without Microsoft, chaos might reign in the computer industry.