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Remember: a **Byte** is **8 bits** (8 binary digits)

A **Byte** gives us the numbers between 0 and 255. That's 256 numbers

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- my phone has 64,000,000,000 Bytes storage
- my computer at home has 1,000,000,000,000 Bytes storage
- the latest FIFA video game is 81,300,000,000 Bytes to download
- student shared resources has 2,320,000,000,000 of free space

These numbers are too big for humans to use easily!

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Instead we use a set of prefixes to help

TeraByte (TB)

KiloByte (KB)

MegaByte (MB)

GigaByte (GB)

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Which is biggest?

1. my hard drive has 1TB of storage
2. my solid state drive has 256GB of storage
3. on my phone, YouTube takes up 628MB of storage space but the camera app uses 561KB
4. my phone has 64GB of storage

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Converting:

Each row in the table is a jump of 1000

Kilo
Mega
Giga
Tera

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How many KB in a GB

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How many KB in a GB

2 rows difference = $1000 \times 1000 =$
1000000KB in a GB

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I have a file that is 24,000,000 KB

How big is it in MB?

How big is it in GB?

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I have a file that is 36 GB

How big is it in MB?

How big is it in KB?

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Remember, 1 Byte = 8 bits

I have a file that is 7 Bytes

How big is it in bits?

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I have a file that is 32 bits

How big is it in Bytes?

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