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A PC loaner program for distance students

OK! Well, when we started this Logic course in 1988 students ... [off-camera interviewer: at the Open University] at the Open University, not all students had their own personal computer because they were quite expensive at that time. So, the university bought ... I think it was two to three thousand PCs and rented the PCs to students if they could pay, well, a very small annual rent. Still had to pay a rental and they quite literally were put in the post. And so students would receive a PC in the post and at the end of the academic year the students would have to pack it up inside a box and send it back to the university. [off-camera interviewer: A different model.] Yes.