

Today my new Asus EeePC arrived.

I paid AU\$288 for the 4GB Surf model. This was the model released late last year, and while there are newer models in 8.9" screen, the 7" is fine for me and does everything I want. The Asus EeePC weighs only 922 [g](#) (2 [lb](#) ½ [oz](#)) and measures 225 × 165 × 21~35 [mm](#) (8.9 × 6.5 × 0.9~1.4 [in](#)).

This baby is so cool I just had to tell you about it.

You can surf the net, send and receive emails, play games and do most other things you can do on your laptop for a fraction of the price.

EEE stands for Easy to Learn, Easy to Work and Easy to play. This is a fully functioning and programmable computer.

EeePC comes in a Linux version and a XP version. Linux is a simple operating system that takes less space than window XP. Linux requires less RAM therefore does not need upgrading to work fast.

After powering it up, it took me about 20 min to install an eBook reader (FBReader) and I am now reading eBooks on it. I would have installed mobipocket too, but my 4yo niece currently has the computer to play with. This computer was designed to supplement the one-computer-per-child program and is easy enough to use that my niece is able to turn it on, play games, do drawings, practice her math and shut it all down without breaking it.

I can change the orientation of the screen and turn the computer 90 degrees to read my eBook like a normal book. EeePC has a LCD screen but it is not as harsh as a normal computer LCD screen.

If anyone wants to know more about this computer, email me.

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