

Tara Astigarraga

The Inventor Who Helps Computers Remember

Meet Tara!

Tara Astigarraga is an **inventor**. She is Choctaw. She works at a big computer company called IBM. Computers need **memory**. Memory is how a computer remembers your games, pictures, and songs. Tara thinks of new ideas to keep memory safe and working. She writes her ideas down so other people know they are hers. She has more than 70 of these ideas! Tara also helps kids learn about computers.

1 Word Power

inventor**memory****computer**

1. Tara is an who thinks of new ideas.
2. helps a computer remember things.
3. A can save your pictures and games.

2 Check the things that have computer memory.

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phone

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laptop

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game console

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soccer ball

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sock

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apple

3 Draw It!

Draw something you want a computer to remember for you, like a picture or a song.

★ **FUN FACT:** Tara did not study computers in college — she studied Spanish and communication, then learned computers at her job!

