Windows 10 is a major technology leap that will help organisations to enable users in the Digital Workplace. There will be a major shift in the way that devices are provisioned, supported and managed for business use, as a result. There has been much written about Windows 10, but how much do you really know? Our 5 step guide will help put you on the right track.

**WHAT DO YOU GET FROM WINDOWS 10?**

A modern, intuitive operating system that is common across a range of devices, from laptops and desktops, to smartphones and tablets. Unlike previous versions of Windows, 10 offers a full touch experience that supports how we now like to interact with our mobile devices, balanced with a “traditional” look and feel for our classic laptop and desktops.

**WHAT NEW FEATURES EXIST IN WINDOWS 10?**

Many, and these will benefit both users and the IT department. From Cortana, the Virtual Personal Assistant on your device, to the screen size you are working on, Windows 10 will enhance your productivity. There are also security enhancements such as Windows Hello, biometric authentication and “Evergreen” cloud updates. Windows 10 is the platform for the modern empowered user and for Digital Businesses.

**HOW DO YOU MIGRATE TO IT?**

It’s never been easier to move to this latest version of OS. Whether you take an in-place upgrade of your devices, or choose to refresh your hardware to take advantage of new features, its now simpler than it’s ever been to undertake your upgrade. With improved application compatibility from previous versions of Windows, and a familiar user interface, there are few barriers to stop you planning your move to Windows 10.

**WHAT ABOUT THE “CONTINUOUS UPDATES”?**

The biggest change with Windows 10 is the regularity of updates. No longer do we have big-bang releases of a new Operating System, Microsoft will regularly update and bring new features and fixes to Windows 10. Organisations need to be ready to take advantage of these regular updates by changing their application development, application testing, user education and change management procedures as a minimum.

One thing is clear, the time to start planning how you are going to “keep up” with Microsoft and take advantage of all the new features is definitely now.

**DO I REALLY NEED TO CHANGE? WHAT’S THE BENEFIT?**

Improved mobile experience, consistency across devices, updated features and functionality: there are many benefits to be derived from Windows 10. The key is to understand how these capabilities fit with the workstyles of your users. Which user groups do you prioritise to take advantage of Windows 10 early, and for which user groups can you take more time to plan and prepare your deployment.

To discover how Computacenter can help enable your digital workplace with Windows 10, please contact your Computacenter Account Manager, call 01707 631000 or email workplace@computacenter.com