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Thread: [Cheap Notebook](#)

Traum - March 15, 2017, 8:26 am

I thought about getting a notebook for the times I can't use my PC, for example on vacation or when visiting someone.

Do you know any cheap notebooks that you can recommend? I would buy used ones too as my budget is limited.

I'm looking to spend not more than \$100.

usd - March 15, 2017, 8:44 am

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ka\$h - March 15, 2017, 1:29 pm

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Apocryphon - March 15, 2017, 1:56 pm

Look for ChromeBooks, they are kinda cheap.

Traum - March 15, 2017, 2:06 pm

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Okay, thank you very much!