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1 (a) Two from:

- Touch screen
- Microphone
- (Push) button
- Camera [2]

(b) One from:

- (Flash) memory card reader [1]

(c) Three from:

- Send emails
- Send texts
- Access website and send secure message [3]

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3 Computer hardware is the collection of physical components that make up a computer system/physical parts of a computer that can be touched [1]

Examples of hardware are the monitor, mouse, keyboard, computer data storage, hard disk drive, graphic cards, sound cards, memory, motherboard, CPU [1]

Computer software is made up of the instructions that can be stored and run by hardware/any set of machine-readable instructions/software directs a computer’s processor to perform specific operations/programs that control the computer system [1]

Examples of software are spreadsheet software, data handling software, word processing software, DTP software, presentation software, control software, measuring software, operating system, anti-virus software [1]
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5 (a) The type of processing used for updating bank accounts at ATMs is called online [1]

(b) The type of access used on a magnetic tape is called serial [1]

(c) The type of software which is used to create printed magazines is called DTP [1]

6 Two from, descriptions of:
e.g.:
Optical fibre broadband
Increased bandwidth
Fourth generation mobile telecommunications [2]
7 Safety issues are usually caused by accidents
Health issues are those caused by continuous use of computers

**Max four from:**

*Health issues are caused by-*

**Max three from:**
- Bad posture
- Incorrect positioning of equipment
- Not taking regular breaks
- Continuously staring at a monitor
- Repetitive clicking/typing

*Safety issues are caused by –*

**Max three from:**
- Having trailing wires
- Overloading sockets
- Allowing drinks near equipment
- Placing heavy equipment in an unsafe position on a table/desk

8 (a) **REPEAT 6 (3) should be REPEAT 5**

(b) **END REPEAT is missing after RIGHT 72 (5)**

- **PENUP is missing before BACKWARD 80 (6)**
- **PENDOWN is missing after BACKWARD 80 (6)**
- **REPEAT 4 is missing before RIGHT 90 (7)**

9 (a) **Two** matched pairs from:

- Number pad/touch screen/remote control
  For the user to input the *required* temperature
- Temperature sensor
  To input current temperature of the room/office

(b) **Four** from:

- Microprocessor receives temperature from temperature sensor
- Microprocessor stores required temperature/19 as preset value
- Compares temperature from sensor to pre-set temperature/19
- If temperature is lower than preset value/19 microprocessor sends a signal to the actuator…
  …to turn heater on
- If higher than preset value/19 microprocessor sends a signal to turn heater off
- Wait set period of time before looping/process is continuous
10  **Three** from:

- Can act as a web server
- Can act as a buffer between internet and LAN
- Server passes on requests to the internet
- Passes the requested web pages to individual computers
- Can cache/store the webpages
- Subsequent requests for that/those web page(s) are responded to more quickly
- Can be used to monitor internet usage  

11 (a) **Field**

- one item of information
  - name/address/phone number/date of birth/tutor group/student id

**File**

- a collection of records
  - all the students' names, addresses, phone numbers, dates of birth, forms, student ids

**Record**

- A collection of fields
  - All the information about one student/More than one of: name, address, phone number, date of birth, tutor group of one student, student ids

(b) **Three** from:

**One** mark for:

- The key field in a database of student records would be the student id

**Two** from:

- A field which contains unique data
  - It is used to identify the record
  - Used to create relationships between tables

12 (a) **Range check – two from:**

- Checks that data lies within a set range
- In this database a range check could be performed on the Number_of_passengers or Ticket_prices fields
  - Number_of_passengers should be in the range 135 to 375/Ticket_prices have to be in the range $500 to $1200

**Format check – two from:**

- Checks that data follows a set format
  - The Flight_number is in a specific format
  - The Flight_number must be two letters followed by three digits

**Length check – two from:**

- Data must be a specific length – no more no less
- Length check could be carried out on Departure_Airport_Code or Destination_Airport_code,
  - Departure_Airport_Code/Destination_Airport_code must be exactly three characters
(b) Text data- Flight_number/Departure_Airport_Code/Destination_Airport_code [1]
   Numeric data - Number_of_passengers/Ticket_prices [1]

13 (a) **Four from:**

This formula searches for values in the range A1:A6…
…which match the criterion >29
It totals the values…
…in the corresponding cells of the SUM range…

(b) >31<35 is not a valid logical test [1]

=SUMIF(D2:D10,">31",F2:F10) [1]
– (minus sign) [1]
SUMIF(D2:D10,">=35",F2:F10) [1]

14 (a) **Six from:**

Biometric methods use unique data
User ids and passwords can be copied/stolen/forgotten
Cannot copy biometric data
Only the person with particular biometric features can access the network
Anybody who has the password can access a network

Max **three from**

Fingerprints can be used to identify an individual
Retina scans can be used to identify an individual
Facial characteristics can be used to identify an individual
Voice recognition software can be used to identify an individual [6]

(b) **Three from:**

The necessary software/equipment is more expensive to purchase
Takes longer to match data
If individual gets ill/background noise can make voice unintelligible to system
With certain illnesses retina scans stop working
Injuries to fingers can cause biometric device to fail to recognise you.
Could be wearing contact lenses which would stop retina scan working [3]
15 Six from:

Advantages
Less likely to trip over cables
Easier to relocate computers
Cheaper as you don’t have to buy cables
Adding devices/computers to network is easier

Disadvantages
Limited area of network
Strength of signal is weaker
Physical obstacles can interfere with signal/can cause disconnection

One mark is available for a reasoned conclusion.  [6]

16 (a) Six from:

Computer database is searched for matching departure airport
Computer database is searched for matching arrival airport
If flight on correct date found
Search if seats/tickets available
If so flags seat as booked
Reduces number of seats/tickets available by one
e-ticket details are output
e-ticket details sent by travel agent to customer  [6]

(b) Three from:

e.g.:
Theatres
Cinemas
Football clubs/stadia
Holiday booking company  [3]

17 Three matched pairs from:

Sound
Spoken introduction by head/voiceover the presentation/background music/school choir/band/orchestra

Animation
Text effects/cartoon representing school activities

Video
Introduction by head/school play/choir/band/orchestra/sports activities

Hyperlinks
Move to another page in the website  [6]