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DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTING AND APPLIED SCIENCE

Examination for Diploma in Clothing and Textile Diploma two

Computer Application

Date: Tuesday 25th 2014

Time: 8:30-10:30 AM

Instructions: answer any five questions

Question 1.

- a) Explain any **five** input and any **five** output computer devices (10 marks)
- b) Differentiate between system software and application software (2 marks)
- c) Using Microsoft word 2003 describe how to:
 - i. Open an existing document
 - ii. Save a document
 - iii. Close an opened document
 - iv. Rename a document (8 marks)

Question 2.

- a. Define the following terms
 - i. Computer
 - ii. Data (4 marks)
- b. Distinguish between off the shelf and in house application packages (4 marks)
- c. Identify and explain **THREE** types of computers with regard to size (6 marks)
- d. State any **four** functions of the operating system (4 marks)
- d) Differentiate between RAM and ROM (2 marks)

Question 3.

- a) Define the acronym *ALU* stating its function (2 marks)

- b) Distinguish between *computer hardware* and *computer software* giving two examples of each (4 marks)
- c) Discuss **three** advantages and **three** disadvantages of computers (6 marks)
- d) State **TWO** advantages and **TWO** disadvantages of *Second computer* generation (4 marks)
- e) List any **two** disadvantages of RAM (4 marks)

Question 4.

- a) Explain the meaning of the following terms as used in computer security
 - i. Eavesdropping
 - ii. Biometrics
 - iii. Audit trails
 - iv. Hacking (8 marks)
- b) Define the following terms
 - i. Word Wrap
 - ii. Computer security
 - iii. virus
 - iv. Application software (4marks)
- c) Describe any **four** computer crimes (8marks)

Question 5

- a) Explain how a computer is able performs different tasks at the same time (2 marks)
- b) Discuss **FOUR** reasons why employees resist the use of computers (8 marks)
- c) Outline the procedure of opening and saving a new slide in Power point. (2 marks)
- d) Outline the procedure inserting a movie file in a power point slide (4 marks)
- e) State any **four** objects that can be inserted on a power point slide (4 marks)

Question 6

- a) Define the following terms
 - i. Software

- ii. Hardware (4 marks)
- b) Outline the procedure of creating a folder in the desktop (2 marks)
- a) Describe any **two** computer storage media (4 marks)
- b) Define the following ICT concepts:
 - I. Computer
 - II. Data
 - III. Information
 - IV. Cracking
 - V. Hacking (10 marks)

Question 7

- a) With the aid of a diagram describe the structure of a computer and its peripherals (6 marks)
- b) Outline the components of the CPU and their functions (6 marks)
- c) Explain how you would achieve the following in Microsoft Word (6 marks)
 - i. Select text
 - ii. Save a new document
 - iii. Retrieve/open a document
- d) Explain the steps of inserting a table in a Microsoft word document (2 marks)

Question 8

- (a) Differentiate the following terms in relation to computers:
 - i. Soft copy and Hard copy
 - ii. Save and Save As
 - iii. Moving and copying (8 marks)
- (b) Describe the following types of computers
 - i. Mainframe computers
 - ii. Minicomputers
 - iii. Microcomputers (6 marks)
- (c) State three advantages of computerization (3 Marks)
- (d) State three disadvantages of computerization (3 Marks)