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1 (a) [1]

converts cool low-pressure gas into hot high-pressure gas	✓
causes the liquid to evaporate into cold low-pressure gas	
monitors the pressure of the refrigerant	
is essentially situated outside the building	
monitors the temperature of the refrigerant	

(b) [1]

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(c) [1]

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2 [4]

Keeping a constant temperature for the printing presses is an example of batch process control.	
Batch process control is used to produce extremely large amounts of product per year.	
Discrete process control is like an on/off or stop/start process	✓
The production of the rolls of paper is an example of continuous process control	✓
Continuous process control is used to produce relatively small amounts of product per year.	
There are four types of process control	
A PLC could be used to control the temperature for the printing presses	√
Microprocessors are not used in any aspect of process control	
Continuous process control is used in processes which appear to be unending	√
Discrete process control is when the process is hidden	

3 (a) Three from: [3]

Programmable logic controller
A type of microprocessor/computer/microcomputer
Used for a single purpose
Can accept both analogue and digital inputs
Uses a set of logic statements
Compares input with a pre-set value
Activates output devices/actuator
Normally programmed to operate a machine/system using just one program
Used in systems where pre-set value is constant

(b) Three from: [3]

It's a proportional—integral—derivative algorithm
Used when preset value is a constant
PID causes the PLC to make proportional changes
PID calculates difference between the input value and the preset value
Causes PLC to make proportional changes to the output
PID checks the difference again
Until preset value is reached

4	(a)	Three from:	[3]
		Reporter types up/edits their story using word-processing software/DTP Reporter types up/edits their story using laptop/keyboard Takes photographs using a digital camera/phone Import images from digital camera/phone Edit images using picture/image editing software	
	(b)	Three from:	[3]
		Correct font (type) has to be chosen Correct font size has to be chosen Kerning to (adjust the space between individual letters in word) Amend the leading (- the space between lines on a page)	
	(c)	Two from:	[2]
		(Digital) signals are used to send the pages up to a satellite Transmitted by the satellite to the printing plant/presses	
5	(a)	WIMBA Business	[1]
		Advertising of a single company + example	[1]
		Insurance Service Advertising of services such as government/tourism/banking	[1] [1]
		New car model Product	[1]
		Advertising of a specific product + example	[1]
	(b)	Two from:	[2]
		Video of the car/company could be imported from video camera/ digital camera Vocal introduction to company could be input using microphone	
	(c)	Four from:	[4]
	pop ups from the other company's site may create unhappy customers who may avoi company in future/will have poor impression of the company/will tend to ignore them Customers will use pop-up blocking (software) which does not allow their advertising other company's website to appear Can make their own website better suited to their needs Own website has shorter delay in updating/improving advertising Company has more control over its own website than it would over the host's website May be so many other companies' advertising on host website the company's may no seen/not as much advertising can be used/limited space available		

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(d) Four from: [4]

Pop-ups are small windows which suddenly appear in front of the web page user is working on/pop-unders are small windows placed underneath the web page user is working on Pop-up instantly grabs the attention of the customer/Pop-unders don't appear to users until they close the page they are working on.

Pop-unders are not removed by pop-up blocking/pop ups are blocked by pop up blocking software

The customer regards pop-unders as less of an inconvenience than pop-ups

6 (a) Four from: [4]

Flexible hours refer to hours that are worked whereas compressed hours refer to days that are worked

Flexible hours give workers some choice about what times of each day they work Flexible hours can vary from day to day

Compressed hours would be fixed for those days which were being worked fully Workers work the same number of hours each week with flexible hours

If compressed hours were spread over two weeks, would work more hours one week than the next

(b) Two from: [2]

Allows workers to organise their working lives to suit their personal needs Can choose to work off-peak hours as travelling to work outside peak times is easier and cheaper

If workers stay late to finish a job, they can take time off at a later date If the job requires great concentration, it can be done at quiet times of day

(c) Two from: [2]

Can match working hours with busy and not-so-busy times

Easier to allow for workers' personal needs which leads to a reduction in absenteeism/improved punctuality

Working flexitime hours would appeal to many technicians so it helps recruitment/reduces the number of staff leaving for another job

Reduces the need for training new staff

Working flexitime hours is popular leading to greater productivity

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7 (a) One pair from: [1]

Assembling of car body, painting of car body

Assembling of car body, fitting of chassis

Assembling of car body, road testing the finished car

Assembling the chassis, painting of car body

Assembling the chassis, fitting of chassis

Assembling the chassis, road testing the finished car

Assembling of car engine, painting of car body

Assembling of car engine, fitting of chassis

Assembling of car engine, road testing the finished car

Painting of car body, fitting of chassis

Quality control, road testing the finished car

Painting of car body, road testing the finished car

Fitting of chassis, road testing the finished car

(b) One pair from: [1]

Quality control with any activity except road testing

Or two of:

Assembling of car body Assembling the chassis Assembling of car engine

(c) Four from: [4]

Assembling the chassis, assembling of car engine are not affected Painting of car body will now start at 0600/finish at 1200/delayed by six hours Fitting of chassis will now start at 1200/finish at 1800/delayed by six hours Quality control will be extended to 1800/extended by six hours Road testing will now start at 1800/finish at 1900/delayed by six hours

8 Four from: [4]

Requires a dedicated telephony server

The operator's phone communicates directly with the server

The server controls all the phones

Operator's phone is not directly connected to their computer

Any computer in the system can be used to control any phone

The server controls all the phones

Allow supervisors, for example, to intervene if the call proves too complex for the operator to handle

(The server) can direct a call to the appropriate operator Suitable for large call centres

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9	(a)	Four from:		[4]
		Card number		
		Expiry date		
		Name (as shown on card)		
		Card Security Code Address		
		Address		
	(b)	Four from:		[4]
		At the end of each billing period		
		Transaction file is sorted into same order as master file		
		Sorted on customer number		
		First record in the transaction file is read First record in the old master file is read		
		If it matches, transaction is carried out		
		If records don't match, computer writes master file record to new master	er file	
		Computer calculates the bill		
		Using cost of units from master file		
		Using units used from transaction file Processed record is written to new master file		
		Bill is printed		
		Process is repeated until end of old master file		
10	(a)	Two from:		[2]
	(u)	Two nom.		[-]
		Magnetic tape has serial access and the files would be sequential/batcl	n processin	g required
		Tapes have a greater longevity than most other media		
		Tapes are cheaper per unit of memory		
	(b)	Amendment		
		Customers' details change		[1]
		Addition		

[1]

[1]

New customer Deletion

Customer closes account/dies

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11 (a) Data flow diagram

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Using (two from :) terminators, processes, flow arrows and stores
The diagram would represent inputs, outputs and processing

System flowcharts

Using particular input, output, storage and processing symbols

The diagram would represent inputs, outputs and processing (only if not given for DFDs)

(b) Two from: [6]

(Use of live/normal data) such as a number between 0 and 16000 for the bill (Use of live/normal data) such as a customer number which is exactly 12 characters (Use of live/normal data) such as a customer number which is digits only This data should be accepted by the system

Two from:

(Use of abnormal data) such as 16001 or "sixteen thousand"

(Use of abnormal data) such as a customer number which is less than or greater than 12 characters

(Use of abnormal) such as a customer number which contains text

This data should be rejected by the system

Two from:

(Use extreme data) such as 0 or 16000 for the customer bill This data should be accepted by the system

(c) Three from: [3]

Amend rule to ensure the acceptable value for the bill is >= and <= and not just > and < Amend rule to ensure that it uses 0 to 16000

Amend rule to ensure it checks it is numeric

Amend rule to make sure < has not been used instead of > and vice versa

Amend rule to ensure length check is 12 exactly

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