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Qu	Part	Sub Part	Marking Guidance	Marks
1			1. system(s) (software); 2. general purpose (software); R. generic	
			3. library (program/software); 4. utility (software); R. maintenance / system tools 5. translator (software); A. translation 6. compiler;	
			7. accounting software / route planner / games /web page design anything reasonable; A. web browser A. good description (followed by a brand name)	
			R. DTP / Graphics /Presentation /firewall / anti-virus R. Bespoke (only)	
			R. not specific e.g. 'bank program'/'learning difficulties program"	7
2	(a)		Text / scene / code / object editor; A. Word processor A. form/screen for text/code entry/input/write	1
2	(b)		Translates (A. converts/changes) program code/source program; from high level language; into machine code/object code; R. binary Checks the program code/statements for errors; If no errors found the executable file is generated; T/O 1 Mark if the explanation includes 'executing the machine code'.	MAX
			T/O -1 Mark if the explanation includes 'executing the machine code' error report/list; A. error message(s) R. error (only) an intermediate (object) file; A. a copy of the source code;	1
2	(c)		Interpreter software translates/checks/reads the program code one statement at a time (A. line by line); Checks the statement for the correct syntax; If no errors found, interpreter recognises the statement; Interpreter calls a procedure to execute the statement; A. if no error found, that statement is executed;	
			If an error is found, program execution is halted (and the error reported); The program runs until an error is found;	MAX 2
2	(d)	(i)	Interpreter should allow for faster program development / faster error correction / errors easier to identify; A. easier to debug	1
2	(d)	(ii)	Compiler/source code will not be needed in order to distribute the final executable code / the exe code (alone) can be distributed to others;	

			the exe code (A. the program) will execute (run) faster; the exe code/ the program cannot be changed (by others);					
3	(a)		acknowledge data received by the printer; error (signal); busy / free / ready /'status' / acknowledge / strobe / off-line / powered / switched off / out of paper; A. ground / earth / return; R. Interrupt / clock					
3	(b)	(i)	110 1010;	1				
3	(b)	(ii)	0110 1010 ;	1				
3	(b)	(iii)	8 0 8 0 7 1 7 1 6 1 6 0 6 1 5 0 4 1 3 0 3 1 3 0 2 1 1 1 0 1 0 C 8 parallel bits; (above, below or between the lines) pattern A score 2; pattern B scores 2; pattern C scores 1;	MAX 3				
3	(c)	(i)	set of <u>rules</u> (about the way devices communicate); A. standards R. Instructions	1				
3	(c)	(ii)	sending signals between devices + implication of 2-way; test to see if the device is ready to receive /'are you ready?'; inform device that the data has been sent / 'here it is'; receiver informs the sender that the data has been received / acknowledge that a transfer is completed;					
3	(d)	(i)	Universal Serial Bus ;	1				
3	(d)	(ii)	Line 1 used with 7/8 bits shown (above or below); Correct code 0110 1010 ;	2				

		1							
3	(d)	(iii)	The number of bits transferred per sec / per unit of time; I. speed A. frequency at which bits are transmitted						
4	(a)		(memory) address / location ; R. Line number	1					
4	(b)		second (generation) //assembly language/code/program // 2 / 2 nd ;						
4	(c)	(i)	assembl <u>er</u> ; R. assemb <u>ly</u>						
4	(c)	(ii)	error list / error report / error count / A error message / highlight statement(s) illegally formed / instruction count // symbol table; R. error						
4	(d)		program (instructions are) transferred from backing store to main memory; program consists of a sequence of instructions; stored in a (continuous area of) main memory; an instruction is fetched (and decoded);						
			and then <u>instruction</u> executed (by the processor); program can be replaced by another program at any time; program instructions are treated as data;	MAX 4					
5	(a)	(i)	IP address / Internet Protocol Address;						
5	(a)	(ii)	Uniform Resource Locator;						
			A. Universal Resource Locator	1					
5	(b)		 Forwards / backwards / Navigation - move to a previously viewed page; Favourites/Bookmarks - setting up/organising/stores regularly visited sites; Options/Tools/Settings - setting up of the Home page / enable/disable features e.g. run JavaScript; Home - move to the Home page; Refresh - refresh the current page; Stop - stop loading the current page / download; History - show a list of the last (say) 20 pages displayed; Security - change settings / e.g. enable/disable graphics/popups/other content/plug-ins; View HTML - source (code); Address bar - allows the entering of a URL/IP/web address; 						

			 Search bar – search list for specific web site; RSS feeds – receiving content news/updates; Application launcher icon e.g. to run email client application; R. HTML editor 	
			Feature followed by NO description scores 0 Good description with feature implied scores 1	MAX 2
5	(c)	(i)	footyhosting.co.uk	1
5	(c)	(ii)	(Each hosted club has) a (sub) <u>folder/directory</u> containing the files for their site;	1
5	(d)		128 kbps // 2Mbps // 128 kbps AND 2Mbps; R. answers where in addition any other answer is circled	1
5	(e)	(i)	(magnetic/server) <u>hard disk</u> / hard drive; R . removable hard disk A . 'disk' spelt as 'dis <u>c</u> '	1
5	(e)	(ii)	8000 GB;	1
6	(a)	(i)	Picture element // smallest resolvable/rectangular area/unit (A. smallest dot) which can be drawn on screen // smallest addressable part/unit of a picture; smallest unit which is mapped to memory;	1
6	(a)	(ii)	Pixels are stored as <u>numbers</u> /bit patterns (A. values) which represent different <u>colours</u> ; A. or by example;	1
6	(b)		1;	1
6	(c)		(picture / image) width; (picture / image) height; A. (picture / image) dimensions R. size image resolution / colour depth / No. of bits per pixel; colour palette / No. of colours in image; offset to the start of image data; compression type;	Max 2
6	(d)	(i)	loop counter / (loop) control variable // array subscript/index ; array of Byte; A. array of Integer	2

6	(d)	(ii)	1101; I. any additiona	1101; I. any additional leading 0's						1
6	(e)	(i)	ThisWidth;	ThisWidth ; X ;						2
6	(e)	(ii)	2-dimensional a	2-dimensional array (of Byte);						1
6	(f)									
	This	Width	ThisHeight	Counter	Х	Y	ThisByte		Fin	al
	8		5	0	1	1	255	[0]	25	5
						2	255	[1]	96	6
						3	255	[2]	96	5
						4	255	[3]	24	4
						5	255	[4]	24	4
						6	255	[5]	11	3
						7	255	[6]		
						8	255	[7]		
					2	1	255	[8]		
						2	25	[9]		
				1		3	25	[10]		
				2		4	96	[11]		
				3		5	96	[12]		
				4		6	24	[13]		
				5		7	24	[14]		
				6		8	113	[15]		

	Mark as follows: Counter has incremented from 0 to 6 (only); X variable has incremented 1 and 2 (only); Y variable has incremented 1-8 (only) at least once; ThisByte contains first ten correct values; Final [0] contains 25; Final [1] to Final [5] are correct and with no other array subscripts used; A. correct six values (only) in Final array (in consecutive but wrong positions)					
6	(g)	(i)	program / constant / module / unit / user defined type / label / object / component / control / class; A. 'control' by example e.g. text box, drop down list A. any elements which are SQL specific	1		
6	(g)	(ii)	Maximum number of characters; No punctuation characters; No use of reserved words; Must not start with a digit character; case critical e.g. must start with lower case character; A. any answer which describes 'general' programming language restrictions. identifier names must be unique; free-format not allowed for certain constructs, e.g. statement must not spread over two lines; restrictions on identifiers used for labels; loop control variable must be ordinal/integer; array index range is restricted; all variables must be pre-declared;	MAX 2		