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## Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
	Tick – correct answer
	Cross – incorrect answer
	Plus – use for positives
	Minus – use for negatives
L1	Level 1
L2	Level 2
L3	Level 3
BOD	Benefit of doubt (This <b>does</b> count as a mark – so do not ‘tick’ as well)
^	Omission mark
V	Too vague
R	Repeat
 or 	Noted but no credit given

Question			Answer	Marks	Guidance
1			D	1	Low power consumption
2			D	1	Wireless Access Point
3			B	1	Compiler
4			A	1	Available immediately
5			B	1	Instant messaging
6			B	1	File Transfer Protocol
7			C	1	Hypervisor
8			D	1	Leased Line
9			B	1	Group discussion
10			D	1	Planning and organisation skills
11			B	1	Personal grooming
12			B	1	Organise industrial action
13			C	1	Disaster planning and recovery
14			C	1	Only accessible through one type of device
15			D	1	Username and password

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
16	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mouse (1st) navigate/ to move lines and shapes (1)</li> <li>• Touchscreen (1st) to draw on screen (1)</li> <li>• Stylus (1st) to colour the characters (1)</li> <li>• Graphics/ drawing Tablet(1<sup>st</sup>) to draw on Screen (1)</li> <li>• Keyboard (1<sup>st</sup>) to use shortcut keys/ instruct software (1)</li> <li>• Scanner (1<sup>st</sup>) to import drawing/ sketches (1)</li> <li>• Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul>	4 (1.1)	<p>Two marks per input device</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> mark identification of the device 2<sup>nd</sup> mark for description of device DNA description without identification Accept keyboard functions only to do with designing not programming DNA drawing pad</p> <p>Description must be specific to the device identified so generic answers are TV</p>
	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low graphics card (1<sup>st</sup>) to create the games the graphics (1) will be high in demand and most desktop computers would not support them (1)</li> <li>• Low RAM (1) graphics programs need large quantities of RAM (1) to render the graphics (1)</li> <li>• Slow storage device (1<sup>st</sup>) as graphics will be high quality (1) and require high retrieval speeds (1)</li> <li>• Low amount of storage (1<sup>st</sup>) as graphics will take up large amounts of data (1) and will need to add more storage (1)</li> <li>• Low processing power (1<sup>st</sup>) graphics software is process intensive (1) which will slow down the responsiveness of the software (1)</li> </ul>	3 (1.3)	<p>One mark for identification Two further marks for explanation</p> <p>DNA not portable because this is for them using at home DNA anything related to costs</p> <p>Answers relating to the Graphics card also accept GPU</p>
17	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Device that combines several different technologies (1) such as modem (1) and router (1) switch (1)</li> <li>• Box that has modem (1) wireless router (1) and wired LAN ports (1) in it.</li> <li>• Device containing modem (1) hub (1) and router (1)</li> </ul>	3 (1.5)	<p>Three marks for detailed explanation Be careful with answers that you connect to the internet as this is in the question</p>

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	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If one-part breaks (1) whole device needs to be replaced (1)</li><li>• When one-part stops working (1) you cannot easily see which part has stopped (1)</li><li>• Hybrid devices are not as efficient (1) as single function devices (1)</li></ul>	<b>2</b> (1.5)	Two marks for one disadvantage DNA answers related to hacking

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18	<p><b><u>Indicative Content</u></b></p> <p><b>Advantages</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can meet remotely</li> <li>• Reduce travel costs</li> <li>• Reduce time take for meeting</li> <li>• Reduce carbon footprint for SKA</li> <li>• Time and Location issue removed</li> <li>• Can see work/people</li> <li>• Can collaborate on screen with modern tools</li> <li>• Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul> <p><b>Disadvantages</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High bandwidth needed to show video</li> <li>• Stable connection needed to no cut outs in communication</li> <li>• Short lag time between speaking and getting response</li> <li>• Software may not support many people</li> <li>• Security issues may lead to data leakage</li> <li>• Cost of high quality kit is high</li> <li>• Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul>	<p><b>10</b> (2.5)</p>	<p><b>Level 3 [7-10 marks]</b> The learner has explained the advantages <b>AND</b> disadvantages of video conferencing to SKA in context.</p> <p>Subject specific terminology and knowledge will be clearly used to support and inform the explanations.</p> <p><i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i></p> <p><b>Level 2 [4-6 marks]</b> The learner has described the advantages <b>AND/OR</b> the disadvantages of video conferencing to SKA .</p> <p>At the bottom of the mark band, the learner may describe generic aspects of video conferencing methods.</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is for the most part relevant and supported by some evidence.</i></p> <p><b>Level 1 [1-3 marks]</b> The learner has identified generic points in relation to video conferencing.</p> <p>Subject specific terminology may be limited or missing.</p> <p><i>The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.</i></p> <p><b>0 marks = Nothing worthy of credit.</b></p>

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19	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduced costs (1<sup>st</sup>) enables shared peripheral devices (1) such as printers/ scanners (1)</li> <li>Shared peripherals (1<sup>st</sup>) such as printers/ scanners (1) therefore reduces costs (1)</li> <li>Easier collaboration/ shared resources (1<sup>st</sup>) creators can share files with each other (1) as they are stored centrally (1)</li> <li>Improved security (1<sup>st</sup>) centralised data is easier to protect (1) backup (1)</li> </ul>	<b>6</b> (3.4)	Three marks for each advantage: 1st mark for identification Two further marks for explanation
	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Servers manage the system (1) sending programs and data to the client machines (1)</li> <li>Security is centrally controlled (1) keeping the system more secure (1)</li> <li>All data is backed up (1) centrally (1)</li> <li>Covers a small (1) geographic area (1)</li> <li>All client machines (1) are dependant of the server working properly (1)</li> <li>Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul>	<b>2</b> (3.3)	Two marks for full description
	(c)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allows the work for different games (1) to be separated (1) so no confusion (1)</li> <li>Different assets for the games (1) can be stored separately (1) so that they are easier to find/ search and reuse (1)</li> <li>Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul>	<b>3</b> (3.1)	Three marks for detailed explanation This question is about a database server. Do not accept generic answers that would apply to other servers e.g. file server
	(d)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Units of storage (1) that is half a byte (1)</li> <li>4 bits (1) that makes up one hexadecimal digit (1)</li> </ul>	<b>2</b> (1.7)	Two marks for detailed explanation



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20	<p><b>Advantages</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports can be generated (1<sup>st</sup>) that can track the progress of the game's development (1) to make sure that it's on schedule (1)</li> <li>• It can identify areas of concern / informs decision making (1<sup>st</sup>) such as a specific contractor missing deadlines (1) can be seen and dealt with (1)</li> <li>• Resources can be managed (1<sup>st</sup>) e.g. Areas where increased staffing links to computing time (1) can be monitored and mitigated (1)</li> <li>• Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul> <p><b>Disadvantages</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cost (1<sup>st</sup>) MIS can be expensive to install (1) which could push the cost of the project up (1)</li> <li>• Lack of flexibility (1<sup>st</sup>) the system may work well for one project development (1) but the system may not work well with the next games development (1)</li> <li>• Expertise required (1<sup>st</sup>) to configure the system (1) for SKA projects (1)</li> <li>• Misinterpretation of data (1<sup>st</sup>) by end users (1) for the tracking and development of the games (1)</li> <li>• Data not being updated/ incomplete/ out of date/ human error (1<sup>st</sup>) when new games are being developed (1) due to poor error checking (1)</li> <li>• Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul>	<p><b>9</b> (3.5)</p>	<p>Three marks for each advantage: 1st mark for identification One mark for description One mark for example relating to SKA</p> <p>Three marks for the disadvantage: 1st mark for identification One mark for description One mark for example relating to SKA</p>

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21	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-motivation (1st) so that working remotely (1) they complete the work properly (1)</li> <li>• Dependability (1<sup>st</sup>) that they are known as being able to fulfil (1) what they are required to on time (1)</li> <li>• Problem solving (1<sup>st</sup>) to overcome issues developing the game (1) when working remotely from the SKA offices (1)</li> <li>• Any other valid suggestion</li> </ul>	<p><b>9</b> (4.3)</p>	<p>Three marks for each personal attribute: 1st mark for identification Two further marks for description</p> <p><i>Specification includes the additional following attributes only :</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Leadership</i></li> <li>• <i>Respect</i></li> <li>• <i>Determination</i></li> <li>• <i>Independence</i></li> <li>• <i>Time management</i></li> <li>• <i>Team working</i></li> <li>• <i>Written skills</i></li> <li>• <i>Numerical skills</i></li> <li>• <i>Verbal skills</i></li> <li>• <i>Planning skills</i></li> <li>• <i>Organisational skills</i></li> <li>• <i>Punctuality</i></li> </ul>

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(b)	<p><b><u>Indicative Content</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Codes of practice (Dealing with intellectual property)</li> <li>• Use of information (confidentiality of information about SKA business processes/ new games)</li> <li>• Bias/ discrimination (SKA paying lower wages potentially due to gender/ race)</li> </ul>	<p><b>10</b> (5.1)</p>	<p><b>Level 3 [7-10 marks]</b> The learner has explained the ethical issues to be considered AND how these can be addressed.</p> <p>Subject specific terminology and knowledge will be clearly used to support and inform the explanations.</p> <p><i>There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and substantiated.</i></p> <p><b>Level 2 [4-6 marks]</b> The learner has described the ethical issues to be considered AND/OR how these can be addressed.</p> <p>At the bottom of the mark band, the learner may describe generic ethical issues.</p> <p><i>There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is for the most part relevant and supported by some evidence.</i></p> <p><b>Level 1 [1-3 marks]</b> The learner has identified generic points in relation to ethical issues.</p> <p>Subject specific terminology may be limited or missing.</p> <p><i>The information is basic and communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear.</i></p> <p><b>0 marks = Nothing worthy of credit.</b></p>

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22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Locks on doors (1)</li><li>• Biometric security of doors/ computers (1)</li><li>• <u>RFID</u> cards to entry to buildings/ access computers (1)</li><li>• Tokens (1)</li><li>• Privacy screens (1)</li><li>• Shredding of old documents / drives (1)</li></ul>	<b>2</b> (5.4)	<i>One mark for each method</i>  <i>Accept examples of biometric devices for one mark e.g., iris scanner/ fingerprint scanner</i> <i>Do not accept scanner on its own</i>

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