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To Examiners:

1. When to award '0' (zero) when inputting marks on CMI+:

A mark of 0 should be awarded where a candidate has attempted a question but failed to write anything credit worthy.

Insert a hyphen when a candidate has not attempted a question, so that eventually the Principal Examiner will be able to distinguish between the two (unattempted/nothing credit worthy) in any statistics.

2. This mark scheme contains the correct responses which we believe that candidates are most likely to give. Other valid responses are possible to some questions and should be credited. Examiners should refer to a Team Leader off-mark scheme responses that they believe are creditworthy.

1	(a)		A monochrome laser printer A digital projector	Correct answer only Correct answer only	1 1
1	(b)		An operating system	Correct answer only	1
1	(c)		Scanner Web cam	Correct answer only Correct answer only	1 1
1	(d)		In case the original data is lost, corrupted, deleted accidentally, computer breaks down/crashes/damaged. OR The backup can then used to recover/ restore/replace/retrieve /transfer /up-to-date copy the original data. Or the idea it is kept as a second copy/ exactly the same file/ spare copy/ get the file back/ revert to an earlier version still have the data. OR cannot be retrieved again.	Any 1 x 1 mark	1
2	(a)	(i)	F (allow Inbox)	Correct answer only	1
2	(a)	(ii)	H (allow Signature)	Correct answer only	1

2	(a)	(iii)	B (allow Bcc)	Correct answer only	1
2	(b)	(i)	Identical e-mails that are sent in bulk, often from a commercial organisations	Correct answer only	1
2	(b)	(ii)	Use of spam/junk e-mail filters/filters/block spam Use of spam/junk e-mail folders Not signing up to offers on the Internet Use features in Outlook (search for widely used strings of characters) NOT just delete / NOT cookies	Any 1 x 1 mark	1
3	(a)	<p>Name Title at least 3 Address (other addresses count as REPEATS) Postcode at least 7 (3 space 3) Telephone numbers Telephone number (day) at least 11 Telephone number (evening) at least 11 Contact tel. number/emergency number at least 11 Mobile tel. number at least 11 NOTE MAX TWO TELEPHONE NUMBERS Other fields E-mail address at least 20/memo Gender at least 6 (allow M/F or tick box) Photo box to fit Date of membership/expiry of membership at least 8 (2-2-2/4) Identification given at least 10 DOB (NOT age) at least 8 (2-2-2/4) (allow over 18 and YES/NO) at least 3 Medical conditions at least 20/memo Access issues at least 20/memo Membership type at least 10/memo/list Payment type/method at least 20/memo Signature memo NB – could use the date at end of form</p> <p>NOT NI – Not doctor, not doctor’s address etc. Boxes OR [] – open boxes OR boxes OR clear dashes unless memo specified Memo = lines/boxes/dashes IGNORE FILLING IN</p> <p>Mark only the first 4 fields Ignore correct duplicate fields e.g. 3rd telephone no – these do not count in the FOUR. Look for; Correct field name – do not penalise lack of capitals Correct number of boxes/dashes memo field for the corresponding field</p>			

6	(d)	<p>Firstly read the whole answer. Next decide which mark band's description best matches the answer given. Finally (if needed), is the answer given, at the top or the bottom of the mark range</p> <p>No rewardable material 0 marks</p>	
		<p>Lower mark range 1 – 2 marks There are simple even vague features given for using a spreadsheet. It will not be clear why these features are better.</p>	
		<p>Mid mark range 3 – 4 marks There is evidence of some understanding shown through the use of mostly correct examples that describe appropriate features of a spreadsheet compared to a database. At least two examples given are supported by some relevant description/reasoning.</p>	
		<p>High mark 5 marks There is evidence of a clear understanding shown through the use of correct examples that clearly describe the advantages of a spreadsheet compared to a database. At least two examples given are well supported by reasoned arguments.</p>	
		<p>Possible examples include Calculations – easier to use or understand what is happening Formulae – wider range available More cell formats for calculations Replication of formula Autosum Modelling Easier to edit data/formula Use multi-linked sheets Conditional formatting</p>	
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7	(a)	(i)	00897649 and 00897602	Correct answer only	1
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7	(a)	(ii)	008977672	Correct answer only	1
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7	(b)	(i)	<p>Make him an impossible/unrealistic age(DOB)/to still be alive/would be dead by now/ no one is that age. Would make him 160/161/162 by now (or some high age like greater than 150) Does not match the other records/ other DOBs</p>		1
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7	(b)	(ii)	Set a limit/range on DOB or Range check	1 mark	1
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7	(c)	<p>Firstly read the whole answer. Next decide which mark band's description best matches the answer given. Finally (if needed), is the answer given, at the top or the bottom of the mark range</p> <p>No rewardable material 0 marks</p> <p>Lower mark range 1 – 2 marks There are simple even vague statements relating to responsible behaviour online.</p> <p>Mid mark range 3 – 4 marks There is evidence of some understanding shown through the use of mostly correct examples that describe advice about responsible behaviour online. At least two examples given are supported by some relevant description/reasoning.</p> <p>High mark 5 marks There is evidence of a clear understanding shown through the use of correct examples that clearly describe advice about responsible behaviour online. At least two examples given are well supported by reasoned arguments.</p> <p>Possible examples include Not misusing images Not making defamatory statements/libel/slander online Hazards from:- Phishing emails Mirror image websites Sending viruses accidentally or carelessly</p>	5
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8	<p>Firstly read the whole answer. Next decide which mark band's description best matches the answer given. Finally, is the answer given, at the top, middle or the bottom of the mark range</p> <p>No rewardable material</p> <p>Level 1 Lower mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There are simple, even vague statements about communications or entertainment technology.</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has used a form and style of writing which has many deficiencies. Ideas are not often clearly expressed. Sentences and paragraphs are often not well-connected or at times bullet points may have been used. Specialist vocabulary has been used inappropriately or not at all. Much of the text is legible and some of the meaning is clear. There are many errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar but it should still be possible to understand much of the response.</p>	<p>0 marks</p> <p>1-3 marks</p>	
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<p>Level 2 Lower mid mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There is evidence of some understanding shown by a limited description of at least two communications or entertainment technologies.</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has used a form and style of writing which has some deficiencies. Ideas are not always clearly expressed. Sentences and paragraphs may not be well-connected or at times bullet points may have been used. Specialist vocabulary has been used on a limited number of occasions. Most of the text is legible and some of the meaning is clear. There are some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar but it should still be possible to understand most of the response.</p>	<p>4-6 marks</p>	
<p>Level 3 Higher mid mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There is evidence of a more developed understanding shown through the use of at least three suitable examples that describe the impact on society. At least one example comes from ‘communications technology’ and at least one example comes from ‘entertainment technology’.</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has mostly used a form and style of writing appropriate to purpose and has expressed some complex ideas reasonably clearly and fluently. The candidate has usually used well linked sentences and paragraphs. Specialist vocabulary has been used on a number of occasions but not always appropriately. Text is legible and most of the meaning is clear. There are occasional errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.</p>	<p>7-9 marks</p>	
<p>Level 4 High mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There is evidence of a clear understanding shown through the use of relevant examples that clearly describe at least one valid advantage and one valid disadvantage of the impact on society. Examples are well supported by reasoned arguments. There is evidence of a clear understanding shown through the use of at least three suitable examples that discuss the impact on society. At least one example comes from ‘communications technology’ and at least one example comes from ‘entertainment technology’</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has selected and used a form and style of writing appropriate to purpose and has expressed complex ideas clearly and fluently. Sentences and paragraphs follow on from one another clearly and coherently. Specialist vocabulary has been used appropriately throughout. Text is legible and the meaning is clear. There are few if any errors of</p>	<p>10-12</p>	

	spelling, punctuation and grammar.	marks	
	<p>Quality of Written Communication Skills The candidate's quality of written communication skills will be one of the factors influencing the actual mark an examiner will give within a level of response. The quality of written communication skills associated with each level is indicated above</p>		
	<p>Possible examples include Wireless (WiFi and Bluetooth) and Wired networks, network speeds Internet revolution (various) Developing countries issues Confidentiality/security of data/cookies Keeping in contact/social networks Entertainment systems – TV/video streaming, games consoles. Integrated entertainment systems</p>		12

9	<p>Firstly read the whole answer. Next decide which mark band's description best matches the answer given. Finally, is the answer given, at the top, middle or the bottom of the mark range</p> <p>No rewardable material</p>	0 marks	
	<p>Level 1 Lower mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There are simple, even vague statements about issues/problems with sources of information.</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has used a form and style of writing which has many deficiencies. Ideas are not often clearly expressed. Sentences and paragraphs are often not well-connected or at times bullet points may have been used. Specialist vocabulary has been used inappropriately or not at all. Much of the text is legible and some of the meaning is clear. There are many errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar but it should still be possible to understand much of the response.</p>	1-3 marks	

	<p>Level 2 Lower mid mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There is evidence of some understanding or use shown by giving examples of at least two issues/problems with finding, selecting and using information from a range of sources. Examples are supported by limited descriptions.</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has used a form and style of writing which has some deficiencies. Ideas are not always clearly expressed. Sentences and paragraphs may not be well-connected or at times bullet points may have been used. Specialist vocabulary has been used on a limited number of occasions. Most of the text is legible and some of the meaning is clear. There are some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar but it should still be possible to understand most of the response.</p>	<p>4-6 marks</p>	
	<p>Level 3 Higher mid mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There is evidence of a more developed understanding shown through the use of suitable examples that describe at least three valid problems with finding, selecting and using information from a range of sources. Examples are supported by suitable descriptions.</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has mostly used a form and style of writing appropriate to purpose and has expressed some complex ideas reasonably clearly and fluently. The candidate has usually used well linked sentences and paragraphs. Specialist vocabulary has been used on a number of occasions but not always appropriately. Text is legible and most of the meaning is clear. There are occasional errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.</p>	<p>7-9 marks</p>	
	<p>Level 4 High mark range</p> <p>Subject Criterion Context There is evidence of a clear understanding shown through the use of relevant examples that discuss more than at least three problems with finding, selecting and using information from a range of sources. Examples are well supported by reasoned arguments.</p> <p>Quality of Written Communication The candidate has selected and used a form and style of writing appropriate to purpose and has expressed complex ideas clearly and fluently. Sentences and paragraphs follow on from one another clearly and coherently. Specialist vocabulary has been used appropriately throughout. Text is legible and the meaning is clear. There are few if any errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.</p>	<p>10-12 marks</p>	
	<p>Quality of Written Communication Skills The candidate's quality of written communication skills will be one of the factors influencing the actual mark an examiner will give within a</p>		

	level of response. The quality of written communication skills associated with each level is indicated above		
	Examples include Discrimination in selecting appropriate sources , what is appropriate, newspapers/magazines, books/ebooks, maps, DVD-ROMs, Internet etc. Need for precision in framing questions , especially the need to translate enquiries expressed in 'ordinary language' into a form that can be use by search engines. Refining search conditions use of multiple search conditions and relational operators (AND, OR, wild cards and the use of quotation marks around phrases etc. Evaluate/ensure accuracy and plausibility of the information , especially information from websites		12

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