

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

General Certificate of Secondary Education

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY



PAPER 1 (FOUNDATION TIER)

Wednesday 11 JANUARY 2006 Afternoon 1 hour

Candidates answer on the question paper. No additional materials are required.

Candidate Name						
Centre Number			Candidate Number			

TIME 1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and Candidate number in the boxes above.
- Answer all the questions.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the spaces on the question paper.
- Do not write in the bar code. Do not write in the grey area between the pages.
- DO NOT WRITE IN THE AREA OUTSIDE THE BOX BORDERING EACH PAGE. ANY WRITING IN THIS AREA WILL NOT BE MARKED.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

No marks will be awarded for using brand names of software packages or hardware.

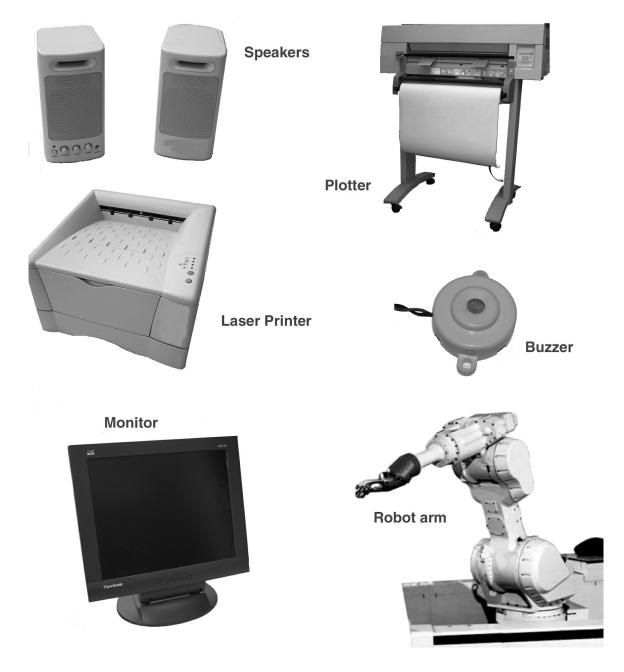
The total number of marks for this paper is **60**.

FOR	EXAMINER'S	USE
Question no.	Max. Mark	Mark
1	3	
2	1	
3	2	
4	7	
5	3	
6	2	
7	7	
8	2	
9	3	
10	4	
11	5	
12	2	
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14	8	
15	6	
TOTAL	60	

This question paper consists of 12 printed pages.

Answer all questions.

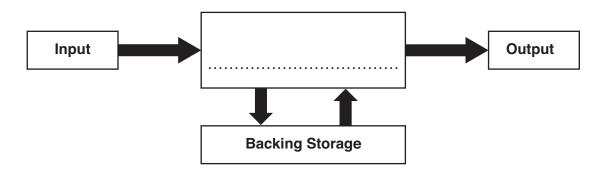
1 Here are some output devices that can be connected to computers.



In the table, write the name of the device that would be used for each of the tasks.

Task	Device
Playing music	
Painting a car	
High quality printing	

2 Complete this diagram of a typical computer system.



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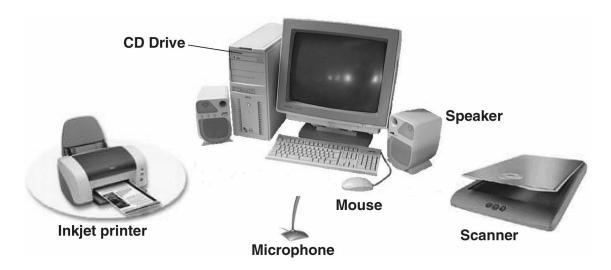
3 Tick **two** input devices that can be used to move a pointer on a screen.

Device	tick (✓)
Joystick	
Magnetic stripe reader	
Scanner	
Temperature sensor	
Tracker ball	

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4 Casper has been on a school geography trip.

He uses this computer system to make a presentation about the trip.



(a)	Casper needs to collect sounds for the presentation.
	Identify one input device in the system that he would use.
	[1]
(b)	Casper took some photographs on the trip and had them printed.
	Identify one input device in the system that he would use to add these photographs to his presentation.
	[1]
(c)	Casper wants to use a photograph from a library book in his presentation.
	Give one reason why he should not do this.
	[1]

(d) Casper has to do some homework about the trip.

Tick **one** box in each row to show the most suitable software package to use for each homework task.

Homework Task	Database (✓)	Graphics package (✓)	Word Processor (✓)
Storing details of the places visited			
Typing a report about the trip			
Editing the pictures of the trip			

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(e)	Casper saves	his	work	in a	a file	on	his	hard	disk.	When	he	wants	to	use	it	again,	he	cannot
	open the file.																	

Give one possible reason for t	s problem.
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5 Using computers for long periods of time can cause health problems.

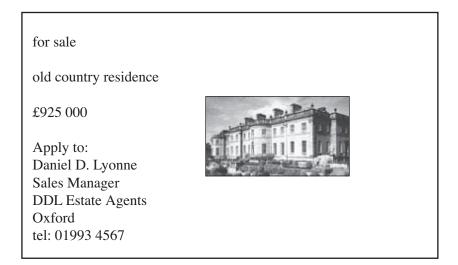
Tick **one** box in each row to show the best way to reduce each of these health risks.

	The healt	h risk can be re	duced by:
Possible health risk	using a wrist rest (✓)	using a high resolution monitor (✓)	using an adjustable chair (✓)
Eye strain			
Neck and back problems			
Repetitive Strain Injuries (RSI)			

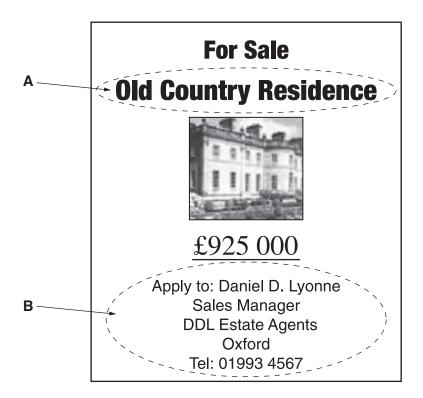
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6	Identify two safety rules that pupils should obey when using a school computer room.	
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7 This is a draft version of an advertising leaflet from an estate agent.



This is the final version.



(a) All the text has been centred on the page.

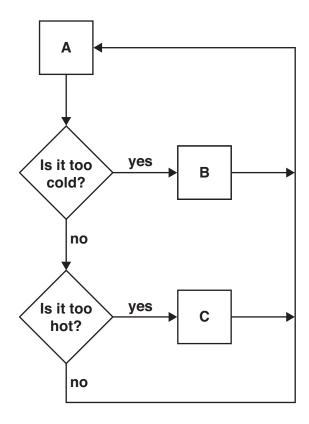
Give three other ways in which the title at A has been altered.

Way 1		
Way 2		
Way 3	[3]

	(b)	A graphics package was used to alter the picture for use in the finished leaflet.	
		Give two ways in which the picture was altered.	
		Way 1	
		Way 2	[2]
	(c)	The estate agent wants to use the details at B again in a new leaflet.	
		Describe a quick way to put them into the new leaflet.	
			[2]
8		e two ways you could use a computer to find information about Scotland.	
	Wa	y 1	
	Wa	y 2	
			[2]
9	Giv	e three ways that the use of chat rooms on the Internet can bring problems to the user.	
	Way	y 1	
	Way	y 2	
	Wav	y 3	

10	(a)	Barbara's computer has been infected by a virus.	
		What is a computer virus?	
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	(b)	Barbara has some important files on her computer.	
		Describe what she should do to avoid losing her work.	
			.[2

11 A central heating system is controlled by a microprocessor. This diagram shows part of the program sequence used to control the temperature.



(a) Use the letters, A, B and C to complete the table below.

Event	This happens at (A, B or C)
Read the room temperature	
Switch off the heating	
Switch on the heating	

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(b)	Give two advantages of using a microprocessor to control the heating system in a home.
	Advantage 1
	Advantage 2
	[2]
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12		ntify two features that could be part of a CD-ROM about weather systems that could not be uded in a book.
	Fea	ture 1
	Fea	ture 2[2]
13	Micl	nelle uses her home computer for financial planning.
	(a)	Give two reasons why she would use a spreadsheet for this task.
		Reason 1
		Reason 2
		[2]
	(b)	When she enters new data into her spreadsheet it has to be verified.
		State one way that the data could be verified.
		[1]
	(c)	Give two ways the data in her spreadsheet could be presented in a word-processed report.
		Way 1
		Way 2
		[2]

14	A sr	mall shop uses ICT.
	(a)	Explain how ICT can be used for buying and paying for goods in the shop.
		[4]
	(b)	Explain how ICT could be used by the shopkeeper to keep track of his stock.
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		[4]

PLEASE TURN OVER FOR THE LAST QUESTION

15 A car park has a barrier at the entrance. To raise the barrier to gain entry to the car park, a car driver enters a code which is checked by a computer system.

(a)	(i)	Give two suitable methods of inputting the code at the barrier to gain entry to the car park.
		Method 1
		Method 2
		[2]
	(ii)	Give one advantage of this method of inputting the code.
		[1]
(b)	Des	car park has limited spaces. cribe how a computer system could be used to count the number of available spaces in car park.
		[3]