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	(c)	<p>Reduces impersonation/impossible to duplicate data/thumbprints are unique</p> <p>No problems forgetting cards/ don't need cards/won't forget thumbprint/always have it with you</p> <p>Cards might get damaged</p> <p>Quicker than using a keyboard</p> <p>More accurate than using a keyboard</p>	[2]																

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(b)	<p>Three from:</p> <p>Expensive to set up/maintain/repair Are unable to cope with unusual circumstances Can only perform one task at one time Cause human unemployment Cause humans to need to retrain When mistakes made in programming can mean several cars wrongly produced (before it is noticed)</p>	[3]																

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11			Star	Ring	[4]	Correct Answer Only Subtract one mark for every extra tick down to a minimum of 0
		Each computer is directly connected to two other computers		✓		
		If one computer fails the whole network crashes		✓		
		The network uses more cabling	✓			
		There is less disruption to the network when adding another computer	✓			
12		Four from: To save storage space <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • codes are shorter To save time when entering data/ is easier to enter data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • less typing to do To reduce the chance of data entry errors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • less typing so less chance of making errors To make validation easier <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • routines are less complicated as only have to include codes/don't have to type data out in full To make verification easier <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • easier to compare codes than complete set of data 			[4]	Any four points/expansions
13	(a)	Two from: Temperature/thermistor Humidity/moisture Light pH/acidity CO ₂ /O ₂			[2]	Mark first two answers only. Do not accept heat or water

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(b)	<p>Four from:</p> <p>A range of pre-set values are entered</p> <p>Microprocessor/ computer receives reading from sensor</p> <p>Microprocessor/ computer compares reading with lower level</p> <p>If higher microprocessor/ computer does nothing</p> <p>If lower microprocessor/ computer switches on light/sprinkler/heater/switches off fan/closes windows/shutters</p> <p>This will cause the reading to increase</p> <p>Microprocessor/ computer compares reading with higher level</p> <p>If greater microprocessor/ computer switches off light/sprinkler/heater or opens shutters/windows/switches on fan</p> <p>This causes the reading to reduce</p> <p>The whole process is repeated.</p> <p>Use of ADC/DAC</p>	[4]	<p>Any four points</p> <p>Order is not important</p> <p>If too hot microprocessor/ computer... Allow once only</p>
	Total	[60]	

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