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There was a small entry for this examination for the Summer 2022 series. Some of the candidates were well prepared and demonstrated good knowledge and understanding of the topics in the specification.

High scoring responses were seen for several of the questions that would have been familiar to candidates who had seen sample and past papers. Topics that were well addressed included:

- Communication and Networks
- CPU
- Data representation: Number
- Input devices
- Presentation software
- Programming and development: Relational operators
- Software licences
- Spreadsheets: Graphs, labels, charts, functions.
- Staying safe

Topics that were included in recent past papers but were not well addressed in this examination included:

- Bubble sort
- Cloud services
- Computational Thinking: Linear search, bubble sort
- Programming and development: String manipulation, selection, subprograms
- Safe practice: Environmental impact, digital divide
- Subprograms
- Web authoring: Hyperlinks
- Word processing: Memos

Other topics that candidates found to be challenging included:

- IT: Purpose of software (spreadsheets)
- Word processing: Use of page breaks

Performance covering the full mark range was noted including some excellent responses worthy of the highest grades.

One area for improvement would be in application of knowledge and justification for reasons and explanations.

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