



City College Computing

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Module 1 Sample Test 1

Syllabus version 4

1. Which of these is an input device?
 - A. CD-ROM
 - B. Mouse
 - C. Printer
 - D. Zip drive

2. What does RSI mean?
 - A. Repeated Syndrome Injury
 - B. Replicated Strain Injury
 - C. Repetitive Syndrome Injury
 - D. Repetitive Strain Injury

3. Which of these computer based operations uses bar code input?
 - A. Marking an online test paper
 - B. Issuing a book in a library
 - C. Paying for goods using a credit card
 - D. Ordering goods from a web site

4. Which type of memory holds the basic operating system commands?
 - A. ROM
 - B. RAM
 - C. Cache
 - D. Auxiliary

5. Which of these storage devices holds the most data?
 - A. Floppy disk
 - B. CD-ROM
 - C. Zip drive
 - D. Jazz drive

6. Which is the first stage of the systems life cycle?
 - A. Feasibility Study
 - B. Systems Analysis
 - C. Programming
 - D. Testing

7. Which type of software would you use to prepare a budget forecast?
 - A. Word processing
 - B. Database
 - C. Presentation
 - D. Spreadsheet

8. Which of these is an output device?
 - A. CD-ROM
 - B. Mouse
 - C. Printer
 - D. Zip drive

9. Which of these is a characteristic of electronic mail that does not apply to other methods?
 - A. Attachments can be sent
 - B. Message can be sent to more than one person
 - C. Mail may get lost
 - D. Can only send to some people

10. Which upgrade will have the most impact on the performance of your computer?
 - A. Adding more RAM
 - B. Reducing the peripheral devices
 - C. Adding a network card
 - D. Fitting a second hard disk

11. What type of software controls the file system on the computer?
 - A. GUI
 - B. Network software
 - C. Operating system software
 - D. Application software

12. Which is the smallest unit of computer storage?
 - A. Byte
 - B. Bit
 - C. Kilobit
 - D. Megabyte

13. Which type of printer prints fastest?
 - A. Laser
 - B. Inkjet
 - C. Bubble jet
 - D. Dot matrix

14. Which device would you chose to present the results from a data logger?
 - A. Printer
 - B. Plotter
 - C. Speaker
 - D. CD-ROM

15. Which type of software is used to access the Internet?
 - A. Interface
 - B. Presentation
 - C. Browser
 - D. System

16. What is connected in a LAN?
 - A. Computers on one site
 - B. Computers in many sites
 - C. Computers in one office
 - D. Computers on the Internet

17. You have created an email group. Where is the group stored?
 - A. Inbox
 - B. Outbox
 - C. Contacts
 - D. Cabinet folder

18. Which type of software would you use to store customer data?
 - A. Database
 - B. Spreadsheet
 - C. Presentation
 - D. Word processing

19. How are computers in a WAN connected?
 - A. Cables
 - B. Telephone lines
 - C. Internet
 - D. Intranet

20. Why is it important to make regular back-ups of computer data
 - A. To prevent loss of data
 - B. To comply with the law
 - C. To protect the computer
 - D. To increase the storage capacity

21. Contact details can be automatically added to email messages. What is this called?
 - A. Autograph
 - B. Closure
 - C. Signature
 - D. Footer

22. Your modem runs at 56K bps. What does this represent?
 - A. Speed of your computer
 - B. Speed of transferring data
 - C. Speed of your hard disk
 - D. Speed of cache memory

23. Which type of system would use bar code input?
 - A. Payroll
 - B. Invoicing
 - C. Training
 - D. Supermarket

24. Where should you store back up copies of your data?
- Near to the computer
 - In a different location
 - In your car
 - In an off-site fire proof store
25. Which device is used to enter sales data into a supermarket computer system?
- Mouse
 - Keyboard
 - Bar code scanner
 - Mark reader
26. You have a modem and a telephone connection. What else do you need to connect your computer to the Internet?
- Browser and printer
 - ISP account and printer
 - ISP account and network
 - Browser and ISP account
27. Which of these describes a computer program?
- An input device
 - A set of instructions
 - An interactive user guide
 - A help system
28. You have installed more memory in your computer. What type of memory is this?
- Cache
 - Virtual
 - ROM
 - RAM
29. Which type of computer is used to process large amounts of corporate data?
- Notebook
 - Mainframe
 - Mini computer
 - Desktop
30. Which is the best way of protecting a computer system from unauthorised use?
- Ensuring all users have passwords
 - Locking the office
 - Using a screen saver
 - Maintaining an audit trail
31. Which of these devices can be used to input and output information?
- Scanner
 - Printer
 - Bar Code Reader
 - Touch Screen

32. Which type of system is used to provide information for employees within a company?
- A. Internet
 - B. Intranet
 - C. Extranet
 - D. Electronic mail
33. Which of these is an example of an e-commerce activity?
- A. Viewing a travel timetable
 - B. Checking theatre availability
 - C. Downloading a screen saver
 - D. Booking a flight
34. Computers are much used in supermarkets. Which of these computer based applications will be of MOST use to the managers of the supermarket?
- A. Scanning the items sold
 - B. Providing stock information
 - C. Producing itemised bills
 - D. Checking prices
35. Which of these applications of computers would store information about which course a student is enrolled on?
- A. Computer based training
 - B. Timetabling
 - C. Student record
 - D. Fees database
36. Which of these is always an advantage of buying goods online?
- A. Longer opening hours
 - B. Greater choice
 - C. Personal service
 - D. Cheaper prices



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Module 1 Sample Test 2

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1. The Data Protection Act is designed to
 - A. Make personal data freely available
 - B. Create a permanent store for personal data
 - C. Regulate the use of personal data
 - D. Enforce deletion of personal data

2. What is most likely to be affected by a computer virus?
 - A. Your monitor
 - B. Your data
 - C. The speed of your computer
 - D. Read only memory

3. What is controlled by software copyright regulations?
 - A. Making back ups of the software
 - B. Number of copies sold
 - C. Type of computer used for the software
 - D. Illegal distribution of software

4. Which type of software would you use to maintain information about account holders at a Bank or Building Society?
 - A. Spreadsheet
 - B. Word processor
 - C. Database
 - D. Stock Control

5. What is a trackball?
 - A. A monitoring system
 - B. A type of speaker
 - C. An alternative to the mouse
 - D. A storage device

6. Which type of software can you use without having to pay a fee?
 - A. Freeware
 - B. Shareware
 - C. Operating system
 - D. Application software

7. Which of these is a hand held device that stores appointments?
 - A. Notebook
 - B. Desktop
 - C. Mini computer
 - D. PDA

8. Which is the BEST way of preventing loss of your data if there is a power cut?
 - A. Use a filtered plug
 - B. Make frequent back ups of the data
 - C. Ensure passwords are used
 - D. Install virus checking software

9. Which of these is NOT a benefit of e-mail?
 - A. Ability to send attachments
 - B. Receiving junk mail
 - C. Instant delivery of your message
 - D. Sending to more than one person at once

10. What is the main advantage of a GUI?
 - A. Reduces the cost of computing
 - B. Makes the computer easier to use
 - C. Requires a less powerful computer
 - D. Does not need updating

11. Which device would you use to digitise a photograph?
 - A. Mark reader
 - B. Data logger
 - C. Scanner
 - D. Plotter

12. What type of hardware detects marks on multiple choice examination papers?
 - A. OMR
 - B. MICR
 - C. Barcode reader
 - D. Scanner

13. Which of these is NOT an input device?
 - A. Digital camera
 - B. Microphone
 - C. Scanner
 - D. Speaker

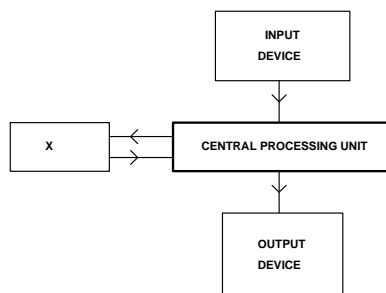
14. Laws governing the use of software prevent people from making illegal copies of software. Which of the following is the best way to prevent this from happening?
 - A. Labelling the software
 - B. Using a code to unlock the software
 - C. Sending offenders to prison
 - D. Requiring passwords for copying

15. Which of the following is a storage device?
- A. Keyboard
 - B. Monitor
 - C. Speaker
 - D. Disk drive
16. Which of the following is NOT a sensible precaution for preventing viruses on your computer?
- A. Using virus checking software
 - B. Only downloading software from reputable web sites
 - C. Using a screensaver when the computer is idle
 - D. Avoiding software from unreliable sources
17. Which stage of the system life cycle ensures that the system operates correctly?
- A. Feasibility study
 - B. Systems analysis
 - C. Testing
 - D. Programming
18. Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE in relation to the Data Protection Act? The data user must ensure that the information
- A. Is obtained fairly and accurately
 - B. Is stored with proper security
 - C. Is accurate and up to date
 - D. Can be sent abroad at any time
19. For which of these tasks would you use a search engine?
- A. To find files on your computer
 - B. To track network traffic
 - C. To detect viruses on your computer
 - D. To find information on the World Wide Web
20. Which of these is the major benefit of computer-based training?
- A. Easier
 - B. Cheaper
 - C. Reduced contact with other students
 - D. Available at any time
21. Which of these would be used to back up large quantities of data?
- A. Floppy disk
 - B. Data cartridge
 - C. Laptop
 - D. PDA
22. What is an attachment?
- A. A peripheral device
 - B. A file sent with an email message
 - C. A component of network software
 - D. A password system

23. Which of these is a characteristic of RAM?
- A. Cannot be erased
 - B. Lost when the power is switched off
 - C. Stores data downloaded from the Internet
 - D. Holds system commands
24. Which of the following is NOT an output device?
- A. Keyboard
 - B. Monitor
 - C. Printer
 - D. Speaker
25. Purchasing goods on a web site is an example of
- A. Web site design
 - B. Networking
 - C. Electronic commerce
 - D. Search engine
26. Which type of memory is used to store applications while they are running?
- A. ROM
 - B. RAM
 - C. Cache
 - D. Auxiliary
27. Which of these is NOT a storage device?
- A. RAM
 - B. Zip drive
 - C. CD-ROM
 - D. Diskette
28. Computers can damage your health in various ways. Which is the best way of preventing this?
- A. Taking frequent breaks
 - B. Having good lighting
 - C. Using a screen protector
 - D. Raising the height of the monitor
29. You want all users to be able to view data in a computer system and selected users to be able to enter and change the data. How can you achieve this?
- A. Allow unrestricted access to the system
 - B. Give authorised users a password
 - C. Set access rights for different groups of users
 - D. Allocate keys to authorised users
30. What type of software controls the file system on the computer?
- A. GUI
 - B. Network software
 - C. Operating system software
 - D. Application software

31. Which type of computer stores the common files in a network?
- Mainframe
 - Laptop
 - Desktop
 - Server
32. Many supermarkets use computers. Which of these benefits do you think is most important to the customers?
- Faster service
 - Improved Stock control
 - Better working environment
 - Increased customer information
33. What does CPU stand for?
- Central Power Unit
 - Computer Processing Unit
 - Computer Programming Unit
 - Central Processing Unit

34. In this diagram what does the box labelled X represent?



- input
 - CPU
 - memory
 - backing store
35. What is a computer virus?
- a program that can damage your computer
 - a hardware fault
 - a program that you have downloaded from an Internet site
 - a corrupted area of your disk
36. You can help to preserve the environment by
- using a screensaver
 - recycling printer cartridges
 - using a filtered plug
 - using a smaller screen

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Sample Test Answers

Sample Test 1		Sample Test 2	
1.	B	1.	C
2.	D	2.	B
3.	B	3.	D
4.	A	4.	C
5.	D	5.	C
6.	A	6.	A
7.	D	7.	D
8.	C	8.	B
9.	D	9.	B
10.	A	10.	B
11.	C	11.	C
12.	B	12.	A
13.	A	13.	D
14.	B	14.	B
15.	C	15.	D
16.	A	16.	C
17.	C	17.	C
18.	A	18.	D
19.	B	19.	D
20.	A	20.	D
21.	C	21.	B
22.	B	22.	B
23.	D	23.	B
24.	D	24.	A
25.	C	25.	C
26.	D	26.	B
27.	B	27.	A
28.	D	28.	A
29.	B	29.	C
30.	A	30.	C
31.	D	31.	D
32.	B	32.	A
33.	D	33.	D
34.	B	34.	D
35.	C	35.	A
36.	A	36.	B