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Subsidiary ICT  
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**Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education Examinations 2016  
Resourceful Mock SUBSIDIARY ICT PAPER 1**

Theory  
Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes

**Instructions to candidates:**

1. Attempt ALL questions in this paper
2. The paper is made up of 20 equally weighted structured questions each carrying 5 marks
3. Write your answers in the spaces provided.
4. No additional materials (answer sheets) are provided.

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1. a) Describe the concept of *information processing cycle* (1 mark)
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- b) State **one** reason to justify the need for information processing (2 Marks)
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- c) State **two** examples of information for an organization like a school (2 Marks)
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2. Differentiate **green computing** from **cloud computing** (1 mark)
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- b) State **two** elements of green computing (2 marks)
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- c) State **two** positive implications of ICTs in the economic field of a country like Uganda. (2 marks)
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- (ii) .....
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3. (a) Briefly describe how you would safely turn off a computer system after using it. (3 marks)
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(b) State **two** circumstances that can necessitate a hard boot of a computer system. (2 marks)

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4. Briefly describe how you would create a folder on a computers desktop. (2 marks)

[View Details](#) | [Edit](#) | [Delete](#)

b) Briefly explain the following computer file attributes: (3 marks)

- i. Archived file.....

ii. Read-only file.....

### **iii. File extension.....**

5. a) With the help of a real example define a utility program. (2 marks)

b) State one effect of each of the following service to a computer system; (3 marks)

- i. Defragmenting a disc;
  - .....
  - .....
  - ii. Reducing the size of a file .....
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  - iii. Sorting files in a specific order.....

6. a) State **two** computer search tools used to trace for data, files and folders. (2 Marks)

b) Give **three** causes of printer failure (3 Marks)

7. a) Define a computer security risk (1 mark)

b) Give **two** examples of computer security risks. (2 marks)

c) State **two** symptoms of an insecure computer system (2 marks)

8. a) distinguish between the following ICT related concepts;

i. Digital migration from digital divide (1 mark)

ii. Software upgrade from software update (1 mark)

b) Give **three** factors that can necessitate computer system trouble shooting (2 marks)

9. a) Software products are usually sold in different versions and releases. As a learner of ICT, give **two** electronic word processor versions or release; (2 marks)

b) State **two** identifiable differences between the two software versions or releases identified in question 9 (a) above. (2 marks)

c) Give the difference between an **endnote** and a **footnote** (1 mark)

10. a) Give one example of pointing devices for a computer system (1 mark)

b) State **one** function of each of the following computer system devices:  
i) System case (1mark)

ii) Light emitting diodes (1mark)

- c) The table below gives specification details of two computers (computer A and computer B). Study the tabulated specifications of computer A and computer B carefully, and answer the questions that follow. (2 marks)

Table of specifications

Component	Computer A	Computer B
RAM	1024 MBs	1 GB
CPU	2.4 GHz	526MHz
HDD	10 GBs	4096 MBs
Display	HD - LCD	CRT

Which one of the above computers would you recommend for your personal friend to buy?

Give **one** reason to support your recommendation.

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11. a) State **one** sign or symptom of operating system failure in the computer system.

(1 mark)

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- b) State **one** role of the Operating system as a coordinator of computer hardware resources (1 mark)
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- c) Apart from coordination of other computer resources give **two** other roles of the operating system in the computer system (2 marks)
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d) Give **one** example of standardized application software (1 mark)

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12. a) Briefly explain the following terms as used in internet based technology ( 3 marks)

(i) Handle.....

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(ii) Blog.....

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(iii) Social network .....

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b) Give **one** example of a web browser (1 mark)

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c) Briefly describe **one** danger of controversial content that circulates through the internet.

(1 mark)

13. a) Give **two** application areas of electronic spreadsheets in a school like ours

(2 marks)

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b) Study the function structure below and answer the questions that follow.

=IF(D2>50,"PASS","FAIL")

i) State the category of the function (1 mark)

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ii) State **one** reason for applying inverted quotation marks onto comments PASS and FAIL. (1 mark)

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c) State **one** characteristic of data values when used in spreadsheet cells and functions  
(1 mark)

14. (a). State two forms of interface an operating system can provide to the computer system user (2 marks)

(b) Mention the ***three*** features that make up a font. (3 marks)

15. a) For each of the model of the keyboard keys in the table below, write the true name of the key and its function: **(4 Marks)**

(b) State *one* operational part of the computers keyboard **(1 Mark)**

16. (a) Briefly explain how each of the following system devices contributes to the general operations of a computer system  
(i) Hard disk drive (01 mark)

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(ii) Power Supply unit (01 mark)

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(iii) RAM chips (01 mark)

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b) State **two** approaches you would take to improve on the processing speed of a computer whose operations are gradually slowing down. (02 marks)

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17. (a) Briefly show how a student would make use of the following internet services for learning purposes

i) News group: (01 mark)

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ii) Instant messaging: (01 mark)

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iii) Skype: (01 mark)

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(b). State *one* example of local area network models (1 mark)

(c). State *one* role of computer based network protocols (1 mark)

18. a) State *two* professional functions of a teacher of ICT. (2 marks)

b) Give *two* ethical guidelines to students using the internet in a school. (2 marks)

c) State one challenge to ICT related careers in Uganda today. (1 Mark)

19. a) Distinguish "***cropping***" from "***crop marks***" features of desktop publishing software  
(1 Mark)

b) Give **two** examples of publications that can be made using desktop publishing software (2 Marks)

c) State *two* features of desktop publishing software (2 Marks)

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20. a) Distinguish between the following ICT security related concepts;

i) Cracking from hacking (1 Mark)

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ii) Eavesdropping from denial of service attack (1 Mark)

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iii) Virus from a worm (1 Mark)

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iv) Digital forensics from artificial intelligence (1 Mark)

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b) Give *one* example of biometric devices (1 Mark)

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