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# **ALLIANCE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL KCSE TRIAL AND PRACTICE EXAM 2016**

## **COMPUTER STUDIES**

### **451/1 / Paper 1**

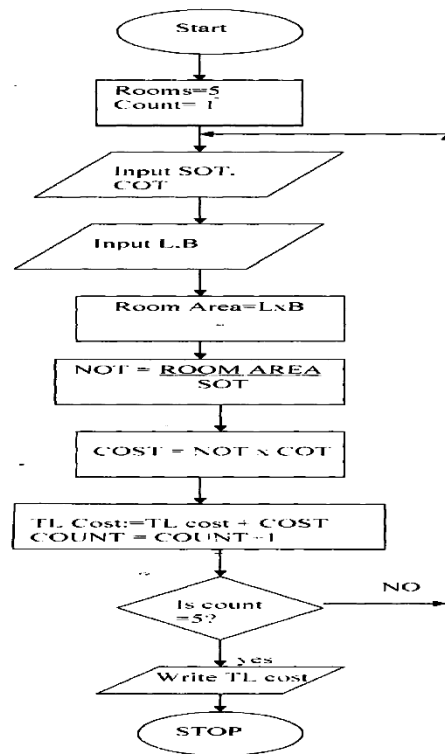
### **MARKING SCHEME**

1.
  - (i) Vacuum tubes / Thermionic valves
  - (ii) Transistors
  - (iii) Integrated circuits
  - (iv) Large scale integrated and very large scale integrated circuit ½ × 4 mks
2.
  - a) Instructions are executed in sequence from the beginning to the end
  - b) A group of instructions are chosen for execution after a specified condition that returns true or false is satisfied.
  - c) Allows a group of instructions to be executed repetitively until a certain condition is satisfied 3 rns
3. Cold booting refers to starting a computer from the main switch when it is initially off while warm booting is restarting a computer when it is initially on without shutting it down 2 mks
4.
  - a) The act of using a word processor to create, edit, format and print documents 1 mk
  - b)
    - i) A feature that enables text to automatically flow to the next line when the cursor reaches the end of the current line 1 mk
    - ii) An already set format for quickly creating most frequently used documents 1 mk
5.
  - a) Changing data being transmitted to a code only the sender and the receiver can understand to prevent it from being tapped, listened to or copied by unauthorized persons 1 mk
  - b) Tapping into communication channels to get information 1 mk
6.

16	842	10	→	A	award marks as follows - Division 1 mk - Correct answer 1 mk
16	52	4			
16	3	3			

$\Rightarrow 34 A_{16}$
7.
  - (i) Alphabet keys 1 mk
  - (ii) Function keys 1 mk
8.
  - (a) a language in which instructions are represented using binary codes easily recognized and interpreted by a computer
  - (b) A problem oriented language in which instructions are presented using human understandable languages such as English 1 mk
9.
  - (i) This is loss of signal strength that takes place during data transmission
  - (ii) The process of combining several data signals and sending them over the same transmission medium. 1 mk
10. If the warrant on offer was return to base
  - The price of a computer with a 1 year warranty could be higher than that of a six months warranty.
  - If computer parts were not comprehensively covered (any two - 2 mks)
11. (a) SUM IF (A1:A5,">60:)

- Correct function (1 mk)
  - Correct values in brackets (1 mk)
- (b) (i) A process of rearranging scattered files and folders on a disk to speed up their Access. (1 ½ mks)
- (ii) Refer to dividing a large physical disk into two or more logical drive (1 ½ mks)
12. (a) Universal serial port (USB) port
- (b) Provides high speed and quality data transmission
- Supports a wide range of devices (2 mks)
13. (a) a process of sending and receiving data between two or more networked computers or Communication devices. (1 mk)
- (b) - Not affected by electromagnetic interference
- Supports high band width
  - Has light weight and occupies less space
  - Transmits data at high speed (3 mks)
- 14.
- $$48_{10} \rightarrow 110000_2 \text{ ----- } \frac{1}{2} mk$$
- $$12 \rightarrow 1100_2 \text{ ----- } \frac{1}{2} mk$$
- 001100 – *Increase no of bits*
- 110011 – *Turn to 1<sup>st</sup> complement*
- + 110100 – *Turn to 2<sup>15</sup> complement*
- $\Rightarrow 110000$
- $$\frac{110100}{1100100_2} + \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} mk$$
15. (a) Information gathering
- (b) (i) Sincere responses are possible due to the confidentiality of the process
- Respondents can fill questionnaires at their own pace
  - Enables extensive enquiry to be carried out (1 mk)
- (ii) - Some respondents may not fill or return the questionnaires
- Good questionnaires are difficult to prepare
  - Erroneous responses are likely if the question is not understood. (1 mk)
16. (a) (i) A data structure with contiguous memory locations holding data of the same type referenced by a single name.
- (ii) This is the representation of program statements using syntax similar to a programming language called structured English.
- (iii) A sequence of steps which outline a procedure of solving a given problem. (1 mk)

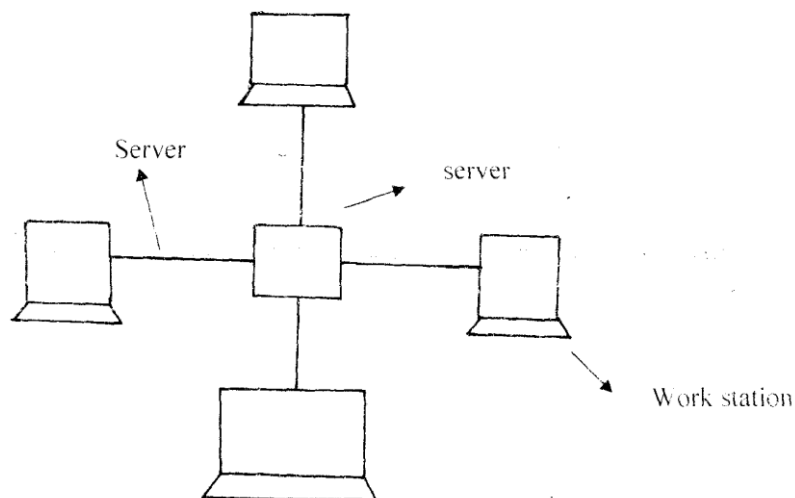


award marks as follows:

start / stop	(1 mk)
Initialization	(1 mk)
Processor	(4 mks)
Decision	(1 mk)
Input	(1 mk)
Total	(8 mks)

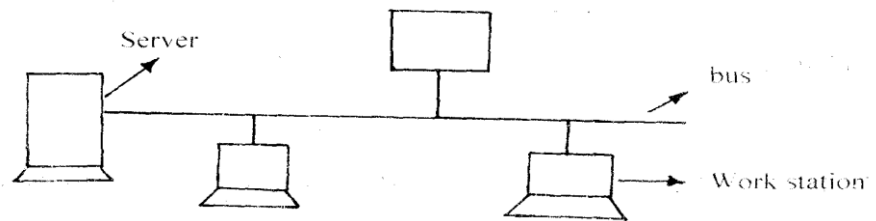
(c) 5, 3, 1 4/5, 1 (4 mks)

17. (a) This is a standard address used to find web pages bearing information on the internet
- (b) (i) Star



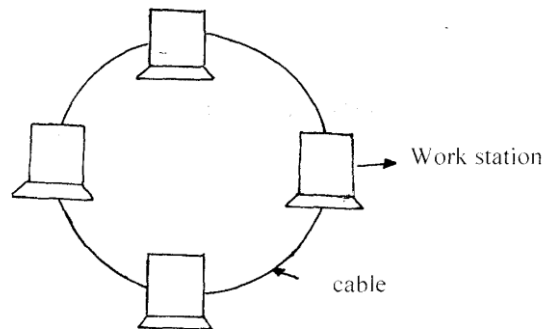
Description: This is where all computers and devices are connected via point – to – point links to a centralized computer called a server

(ii) Bus topology



Description: All computers and devices are connected together by point – to – point links in a closed loop.

(iii)



Description: A series of computers and devices are connected together by point — to — point links in a closed hoop.

Award marks as follows

- Correct diagram (1 mk)
- Labeling (1 mk)
- Description (1 mk)

- (c) (i) A logical file is viewed in terms of its contents and processing activities that can be carried out on it while a physical file refers on how a file is arranged on a storage media (2 mks)
- (ii) (a) This is the main file within an organization that stores permanent data against which transaction are processed (1 mk)
- (b) A file that stores temporary incoming and outgoing data used to update the master file (1 mk)
- (c) A duplicate master file stored assay from the computer system to reinstate the original file incase of damage (1 mk)
18. (a) (i) A field that uniquely identifies each record in database (1 mk)
- (ii) A thing of interest about which data is to be stored (1 mk)
- (iii) A collection of related field values representing a single entity (1 mk)

- (b) ASCII —————> uses 7 bits to represent a character. 3 bits for the zone and 4 bits for data
- BCD —————> uses 4 bits to represent a character
- EBCD —————> uses 6 bits to represent a character. 2 hits for the zone and 4 bits for data
- EBCDIC —————> uses 8 bits to represent a character. 4 bits for data and 4 bits for the zone.

Award marks for any three 1 mk for stating and link for explanation

- (c) - Hacking where a person breaks codes and passwords to gain access to data and information without permission control: use of biotric features. audit trail
- Tapping: Using an intelligent program to avail information from the host computer or a network during transmission control: encrypting data

- Piracy making illegal copies of copyrighted software information or data
  - Control: Enactment of laws. Lowering software prices
  - Link for description
  - link for control measure
  - Award marks for crimes such as fraud, sabotage. trespass
19. (a) This where a person gets psychologically immersed in an artificial environment generated by a computer system (1 mk)
- (b) (i) Channels images and sound from the source to the eyes and ears of the wearer  
hence producing a 3D effect in the virtual world (2 mks)
- (ii) Made of conductor wires that sense body movement and relay data into the virtual reality System (2 mks)
- (c) (i) making computers perform tasks that would otherwise require intelligence if performance by human beings (1 mk)
- (ii) Knowledge base — stores knowledge inform of rules and facts concerning a certain subject of interest.
- Inference engine – Software which controls how knowledge is searched and accessed from the knowledge base.
- User interface – A feature that enables the user to interact with the system. (3 mks)
- (d) - Eye pattern  
- Finger prints  
- Voice } (3 mks)
20. (a) A network of computer based processing procedures integrated with manual processes to produce information that can support decision making. (1 mk)
- (b) - When the interviewers are geographically dispersed in different places  
- When too much information is required about a small area of interest.
- (c) (i) A room in which computers and computer equipment are kept and used for learning and other purposes.
- (ii) - Use of buglar proof doors  
- A well set up and serviced electrical system  
- Avoiding liquids in the lab  
- carefully handling of computing equipment. (2 mks)
- (d) (i) - Cost  
- Job opportunities  
- Duration of study  
- Desired level of qualification. (3 mks)
21. (a) - Write in house application programs  
- Customize commercial package to meet the needs of the organization  
- Test debug, install and maintain programs. (2 mks)
- (b) - Reviewing current systems with view of identifying faults that can necessitate development of systems.  
- Work with programmers to ensure a smooth coding process. (1 × 2 mks)  
- Facilitate training for users of the new system.
- (c) - Develops and tests websites  
- Maintains updates and modifies information on the web sites. (1 × 2 mks)