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15 In a school, students can use laptop computers which link to the school's wireless network.

(a) State two advantages to students of using this system rather than desktop computers located in specialist computer laboratories. [2]

(b) Give two disadvantages of using laptop computers rather than using desktop computers.

[2]

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6 (a) Give three different types of device that allow human beings to interface with computer systems. [3]

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9 A factory uses a computer system to store information about customers, spare parts and general administration.

(b) The factory needs to buy a new printer. It has decided to buy either a dot matrix printer or an inkjet printer. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using both types of printer in this application. [3]

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Define the terms:	
(i) hardware	
(ii) software	[2]
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(i) input device	
(ii) storage device	[2]
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2	Define the terms: (i) hardware (ii) software 011. P13 (9691) Define the terms: (i) input device (ii) storage device

1 (a) Describe the purpose of the following:

- (i) Input devices;
- (ii) Output devices.

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The following table shows three applications which require specialist output devices. For each application, suggest one possible output device and give a reason for your choice.











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Application	Output device	Reason for choice of device
A visually impaired person using a word processor		
Using CAD to design a new engine		
Monitoring a house for burglars		

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4 A list of four printers and four different applications which use printers is shown below.(a) Using arrows, link each printer to the most appropriate application.

Printing documents in a factory environment which is dusty and damp

3D printer

High quality printing of 30 000 colour booklets per day

Dot matrix printer

Producing prototypes in resin of a new design

Colour inkjet printer

Producing a colour poster

Colour laser printer

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(b) Give one feature of each printer which makes it appropriate for the application.
3D printer
Dot matrix printer
Colour inkjet printer
Colour laser printer
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1 (c) A local hockey league is run by a secretary from home. The secretary is

Responsible for all fixtures and league tables. The secretary is blind and uses her home computer for carrying out the Necessary tasks.

State a suitable hardware peripheral for each of input, output and storage, which the secretary could use. Justify your choices. [4]

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- 8 An interactive information system is being designed for use in the terminal building of an airport.
 - (ii) State an output device which would be suitable for use in this application. Justify your choice. [2]

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3 For each of the following five groups of hardware items, write down a computer application that would need those items.

List of hardware items	Application	
webcam, microphone, speakers		
barcode reader, POS terminal		
pressure sensor, ADC, lights, siren		
data gloves, data goggles		
light pen, plotter, 3D printer		

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- 1(a)(i)Define what is meant by hardware.[1](ii)Define an input device and state why it is needed.[3]8A pocket sized game system is based around a microprocessor.[3]
 - (ii) State an output device which would be suitable for use in this application. Justify your choice. [2]

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 (a)
 (i) Define what is meant by hardware.
 [1]

 (ii) Define an output device and state why it is needed.
 [3]

 (c)
 The barcodes of goods are read at the checkouts.

 Describe barcodes and explain how they are read at the checkouts and used by the computer system.

 [6]











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- 8 An interactive information system is being designed for use by the air-traffic controllers at an airport. Information about all planes must be available to the controllers who then ensure that the planes stay far enough apart not to be a danger to each other. (a)
 - (ii) State an output device which would be suitable for use in this application. Justify your choice. [2]

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You have just been appointed as the IT representative of a small engineering company. The company needs to buy:

- external backing storage
- printers

Choose a suitable example for each and give a reason for your choice.

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6 A large company has four separate departments. The following table describes each department and shows tasks that involve a computer system.

	DEPARTMENT	TASKS
(i)	Production - The factory where products are manufactured	Produce quality control stickers to place them on finished items
(ii)	Design Office - Where new products are designed	Produce and present prototypes of new models
(iii)	Marketing	Answer customer queries and produce sales brochures
(iv)	Finance - Wages and salaries department	Produce wage/salary slips each month

- (a) Describe, with a reason, a suitable output device which could be used in each of the four departments. Your devices should be different.
 - (i) Production
 - (ii) Design Office
 - (iii) Marketing
 - (iv) Finance

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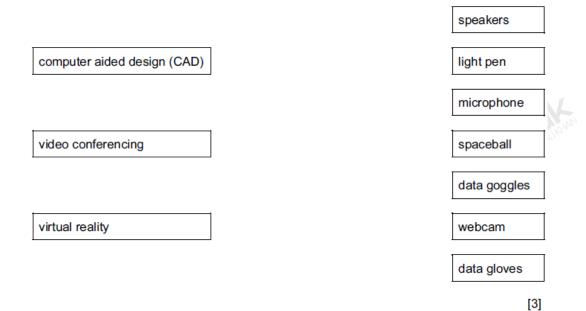


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4 (a) Seven hardware items are shown on the right hand side in the diagram below. Three applications are shown on the left in the diagram.

By drawing arrows, link each application to the appropriate hardware items (each hardware item must be used once only):



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8(d) The LCD (liquid crystal display) on the clock face is back-lit using blue LEDs (light emitting diodes). The brightness of the clock face is determined by the level of light in the room. The amount of light given out by the LEDs is controlled by a control circuit. Describe how the sensor, microprocessor and LEDs are used to maintain the correct brightness of the clock face. [3]

(e) Modern LCD monitors and televisions use LED back-lit technology. Give two advantages of using this new technology compared to the older cold cathode fluorescent lamp (CCFL) method. [2]









