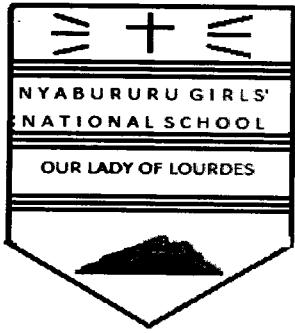


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**COMPUTER STUDIES
FORM 1 C.A.T 1
TERM3 2016
TIME: 2 HOURS**

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your NAME and ADM NUMBER in the spaces provides above
- write the date of examination in the spaces provided
- Answer ALL questions in the spaces provided

1. List three advantages of a plotter over normal printer machines

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2. Give two advantages of using sound output devices

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3. George connected new multimedia speakers to his computer and tried to play his favorite music CD, but no sound came out. Suggest four problems that might have occurred

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4. List down 4 factors to consider when buying an output device 4mrks

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5. Define the following terms
a. Port 3mrks

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b. Data interface cable

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c. Power cable

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6. State the function of the power supply unit found in the system unit 2mks

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7. a. Name any two peripheral devices which get their power supply through ports 2mrks

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b. State the type of port that would commonly be used to connect the following devices 3mrks

- (i) Mouse
(ii) Modem
(iii) External CD drive

8. a. Explain two differences between serial and parallel communication ports of a computer 2mrks

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b. Give two major advantages of a USB interface cable over other cables in the computer 2mrks

9. Outline three precautions one should take when assembling a computer

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10. State four factors which you would consider when selecting computer hardware for an organization 4mks

11. a. List four types of keys found on a computer keyboard, giving an example of each

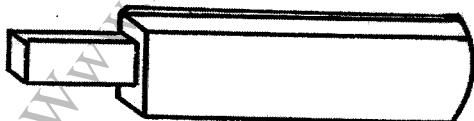
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b. Name the keyboard keys that will help you:

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- (i) Type the upper character in a key
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(ii) Execute a selected command

12. The diagram below shows as example of a secondary



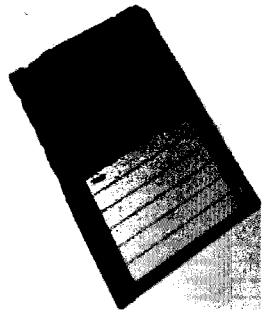
- a. Identify the name of the devices

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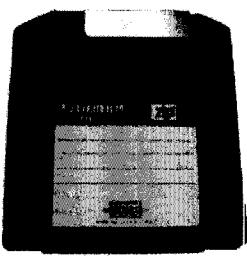
13. List down two advantages of this device above (a)

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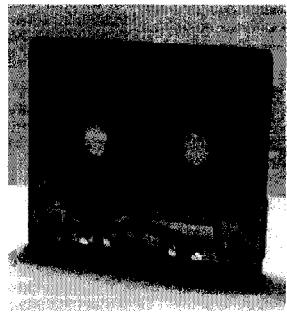
14. The following are common storage media used with computer systems



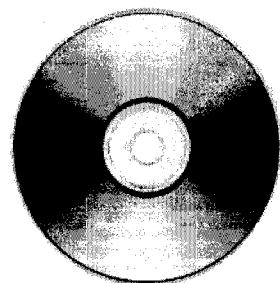
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a. Identify the four types of storage media

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- i.
- ii.
- iii.
- iv.

15. Draw and label the internal structure of a floppy disk

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16. Compare storage device (i) and (iii) above

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17. Give two differences between a Digital Versatile Disk and a Video Compact Disk

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Digital Versatile Disk	Compact Disk

18. Differentiate between a CD-R and a CD-RW

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19. Differentiate between direct access storage and sequential access storage

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20. List two factors to consider before choosing a storage device for backup

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21. The table below shows a summary of standard symbols used to denote an interface, name the give the names of the ports given by the symbols

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Symbol	Port
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22. State any two advantages of a USB interface cable

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23. Differences between serial and parallel communication ports

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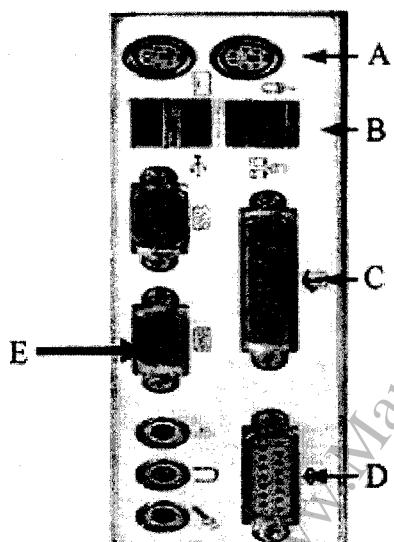
24. List any two functions of the power supply unit

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25. Identify the following types of ports.

(5 marks)



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B.....

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26. Define the term computer software

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27. Distinguish between system software and application software.

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28. List any two sub-categories of a system software

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29. Which software would you use for the following?

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(a) Production of a reports for a company:

(b) Management of records in a firm

(c) Manipulation of numeric data collected from a research station

30. List any two factors to consider when selecting software

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31. Give five differences between a CRT and a flat panel screen

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CRT (cathode ray tube)	Flat panel screen

32. Calculate the capacity in MB of a two sided floppy disk with 6 sectors per surface, and 512 bytes per sector. 3mrks

33. A double – sided disk contains 40 tracks on each side. The tracks are divided into 9 sectors of 512 bytes each. What is the total capacity of the disk in megabytes? 4mrks

34. How many 1.44mb diskettes would be used to store data that require storage space of 4.7GB? 4mrks