

OPENER EXAMINATION: TERM 2 2024

**COMPUTER STUDIES**  
**FORM ONE**  
**MARKING SCHEME**

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1. Define the following terms  
a. Computer. 3mks

**A computer is an electronic device that accepts user input(data) and transmit it under influence of sets of special instructions (programs) to produce the desired output information)**

- b. Data 2mks

**They are raw facts that are meaningless to the user and cannot be used to make a decision.**

- c. Processing 2mks

**Refers to the way data is manipulated to turn into information.**

- d. Information 2mks

**Refers to the processed data that is meaningful to the user.**

2. State the different parts that make up a computer. 4mks

- System unit**
- Mouse**
- Keyboard**
- Monitor**



3. Give four characteristics of a computer. 4mks

- i. Fast**
- ii. Accurate**
- iii. Versatile**
- iv. Reliable**
- v. Memory**
- vi. diligent**

4. Define peripheral devices. 2mks

**Refers to the physical devices connected to the system unit through connectors known as ports.**

5. List 5 peripheral devices 5mks

- a. Monitor**
- b. Keyboard**
- c. Mouse**
- d. Speaker**
- e. Flash disk**

**f. printer**

6. Name two desktop form factor. 2mks
- **Desktop type**
  - **Tower type**
7. Why is the screen referred to us as a monitor 3mks

**Because it enables the user to monitor and see what is going on in the computer system**

8. With the aid of a diagram differentiate between a tower type and desktop type. 6mks
9. Classify computers and give two examples of each classification. 6mks

According to physical size

- ✓ Supercomputers
- ✓ Mainframe
- ✓ Minicomputers
- ✓ microcomputers

According to purpose

- ✓ General purpose
- ✓ Special purpose

According to functionality

- ✓ Analog
- ✓ Digital
- ✓ hybrid

10. why is a mobile phone regarded to be a computer 3mks  
it is electronic, has a screen, keypad, memory and is programmable
11. Give three characteristics of first generation computers 3mks
12. List 5 mechanical computers 5mks

- ✓ Abacus
- ✓ Napier's bones
- ✓ Slide rule
- ✓ Pascaline machine
- ✓ Analytical engine

13. Match the following generations of computers with the technology used to develop them. 4mks
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|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| a. First Generation  | Very Large Scale Integrated Circuits |
| b. Second Generation | Thermionic Valves(Vacuum Tubes)      |
| c. Third Generation  | Transistors                          |
| d. Fourth Generation | Integrated Circuits                  |

14. Who developed the analytical engine? 1mk  
Charles babbage
15. Define the term artificial intelligence 2mks  
Capability of a computer to perform some functions like human beings.

16. Write the following acronyms in full
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|-------|--|
| ENIAC | electronic numeric integrator and calculator |
| VLSI  | very large scale integrated                  |
| IC    | integrated circuits                          |

17. Match the following computer application areas with the role played by computers in each case. 8mks

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|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| a) Supermarket    | matching fingerprints         |
| b) Hospital       | entertainment                 |
| c) Bank           | stock control                 |
| d) hotel          | booking rooms                 |
| e) home           | analyzing academic data       |
| f) school         | manufacturing process control |
| g) industry       | life support machines         |
| h) police station | processing cheques            |

