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MATIGO EXAMINATIONS BOARD

Uganda Advanced Certificate of Examination

SUBSIDIARY ICT
Theory

Paper 1

2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Attempt all questions in this paper

The paper is made up of 20 equally weighted structured questions each carrying 5 marks

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

No additional materials (answer sheets) are provided

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total

1. (a) In the modern world, every utility delivery company is switching from use analog systems to digital systems. Briefly explains the term digital migration. (02marks)

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- (b) Why do you think there is a need for these companies to switch from analog systems to digital systems? (03 marks)

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2. (a) What are the roles of the following professionals according to their job description.

- (i) ICT instructor (02 marks)

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- (ii) System analyst (02 marks)

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- (iii) Software engineer (01 mark)

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3. (a) Which laboratory equipments perform the following routine maintenance in the Computer laboratory? (05 marks)

- (i) Regulates the room temperature.

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(ii) Protects user's sight from being damaged by strong light rays from the monitor.

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(iii) Regulates fluctuations in voltage.

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(iv) Control voltage spikes.

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(v) Provides alternative source of power when power goes off abruptly.

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4. (a) What is network topology? (01 mark)

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(b) A large company has a LAN. The manager of the company wants to replace it with WLAN. Explain the difference between a LAN and a WLAN, giving an advantage and disadvantage of a WLAN. (04 marks)

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5. (a) Distinguish between mechanical mice and cordless mice. (03 marks)

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(b) What are the three common key board layouts used today. (02 marks)

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6. Multi-national companies often use video conferencing rather than face to face meetings

(a) Give two advantages of video conferencing (02 marks)

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(b) Give three disadvantages of video conferencing (03 marks)

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7. (a) Differentiate between syntax and a language processor. (02 marks)

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(b) Identify **three examples** of the third generation language. (3 marks)

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8. (a) Explain what is meant by virtual reality. (02 marks)

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(b) Name three pieces of hardware used in virtual reality systems. (03 marks)

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9. Briefly explain the following terms used on the internet. (5 marks)

(a) Blog

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(b) Wiki

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(c) Instant messaging

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(d) Discussion group

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(e) E mail

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10. (a) Differentiate between asynchronous and synchronous transmission techniques (03 marks)

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(b) Identify the mode of transmission the following devices represent. (02 marks)

(i) Wakie talkie.....

(ii) TV remote to TV set.....

11. (a) Define the concept of digital forensics (01 mark)

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(b) Identify the **three** branches of digital forensics. (03marks)

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12. (a) Define an expert system in relation to the use of artificial intelligence. (02 marks)

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(b) State the role of the following components of an expert system. (03 marks)

(i) User interface

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(ii) Inference engine

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(iii) Knowledge base

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13. (a) Briefly explain the following rights that accrue to the creations of intellect .

(i) Patent rights (01 mark)

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(ii) Trade marks (01 mark)

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(ii) Trade secrets (02 marks)

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(b) Why do you think it is still a myth in Uganda to realize intellectual property rights implemented?

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14. (a) How does the **IPOS** cycle differ from the **machine cycle**? (02marks)

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(b) Briefly explain the following steps of the machine cycle (03 marks)

(i) Fetch

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(ii) Decode

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(iii) Execute

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15. (a) What are input devices? (01 marks)

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(b) Name the following input devices.

(04 marks)

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16. Briefly explain the following terms in relation to data communication.

(i) Domain name system

(01 mark)

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(ii) IP address

(01 mark)

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(iii) Web server

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(iv) Internet protocol

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17. (a) Differentiate between **data integrity** and **data redundancy**. (02 marks)

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(b) Identify the field properties that can effect the following settings below:

(i) Control the length of the text to be in put in a field

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(ii) Displays pre-defined format for the data to be entered in a field

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(iii) Specifies a pattern of all data to be entered in a particular field

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18. (a) Write the following computer abbreviations in full (02 marks)

(i) **USB**

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(ii) **UPS**

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(b) A parent is planning to produce a number of rules to ensure that his children follow which using a computer at home. Write down three rules that he could include in his list. (03 marks)

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19. Briefly identify 5 application programs known to you and state the use of each. (05marks)

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20. A farmer has purchased a computerised milking system for her cows. She has asked a systems analyst to create a database to store details of the cow being milked.

Examples of the details of the cows which will be stored are:

Breed of cow	Date of birth	Weight of cow	Average milk yield	Animal Number
Holstein	25/02/2017	725.9	24.5	998/2017
Ayrshire	15/03/2016	715.0	20.1	972/2016
Jersey	25/02/2017	732.7	25.0	971/2016
Holstein	10/10/2016	715.0	25.0	765/2016

- (a) State which field would be the most appropriate for the primary key? (01 mark)

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- (b) A validation check is used when entering the animal number into the database. Name and describe the most appropriate validation check that could be applied to this field. (02 marks)

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- (c) Complete the following table by entering the most appropriate data type for each field. For any numeric field, specify the type of number. (02 marks)

Field Name	Data Type
Breed of cow	
Date of birth	

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