

# GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (GCE) BOARD

## General Certificate of Education Examination

**0595 COMPUTER SCIENCE 1**

**JUNE 2021**

**ORDINARY LEVEL**

Centre Name	
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### MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTION PAPER

**One and a half hours**

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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6. Answer **ALL** the **50** questions in this Examination. All questions carry equal marks.
7. Each question has **FOUR** suggested answers: **A, B, C** and **D**. Decide on which answer is correct. Find the number of the question on the Answer Sheet and draw a horizontal line across the letter to join the square brackets for the answer you have chosen.

For example, if **C** is your correct answer, mark **C** as shown below:

[A] [B] **[C]** [D]

8. Mark only one answer for each question. If you mark more than one answer, you will score a zero for that question. If you change your mind about an answer, erase the first mark carefully, then mark your new answer.
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10. **Calculators are NOT allowed.**
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1. Which of the following software does not display graphics?  
 A Text editor  
 B Word processor  
 C Desktop publishers  
 D Presentation

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2. The correct arrangement in increasing order of time unit is:  
 A Nanoseconds, Picoseconds, Microseconds  
 B Microseconds, Picoseconds, Nanoseconds  
 C Nanoseconds, Microseconds, Picoseconds  
 D Picoseconds, Nanoseconds, Microseconds

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3. \_\_\_\_\_ deals with the design of equipment and the workplace to ensure safety and comfort.  
 A Biometrics  
 B Ergonomics  
 C Stylistics  
 D Modelling

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4. Having unauthorized access to a computer system and collecting sensitive data from it is called:  
 A Copy rights  
 B Bridging  
 C Plagiarism  
 D Cracking

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5. Which of the following has the fastest access speed?  
 A RAM  
 B Registers  
 C Hard drive  
 D CD/DVD

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6. The file extension .avi holds what type of files?  
 A Sound  
 B Graphic  
 C Video  
 D Text

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7. One application of infrared signals is in \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A Bluetooth  
 B Traffic lights  
 C Remote controller  
 D Wireless networks

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8. The health concern RSI stands for?  
 A Repeated Strain Injure  
 B Repetitive Stress Injury  
 C Repetitive Strain Injury  
 D Repeated Strain Injury

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9. What characteristic of RAM makes it not suitable for permanent storage?  
 A It is slow  
 B It is volatile  
 C It is the main memory  
 D It is often in use by the CPU

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10. When a computer is switch on, the operating system is loaded in a process called  
 A Compiling  
 B Formatting  
 C Booting  
 D Debugging

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11. The main use of defragmentation utility program is to  
 A Reduce data access  
 B Increase the free disk space  
 C Delete any unused data and files  
 D Detect and eliminate viruses

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12. Software is said to be user friendly if:  
 A It is easy to use and make friends  
 B It is easy to learn and use  
 C The user can use it for other things  
 D It contains mainly pictures

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13. The result of the binary operation 1101-1010 is:  
 A 101  
 B 011  
 C 100  
 D 010

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
14. An application software designed to perform a wide range of tasks and can be used by a variety of users is known as;  
 A Specialized software  
 B Bespoke software  
 C Integrated software  
 D Generic software

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15. A data type in which data items can only have one of two possible values is a(n)  
 A Record  
 B String  
 C Array  
 D Boolean

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16. A communication mode where data is transmitted in one direction at a time is referred to as:
- Simplex
  - Duplex
  - Half duplex
  - Half simplex
17. A collection of rules for the transmission of signals across networks is referred to as:
- Topologies
  - Protocol
  - Hypertext
  - Procedure
18. Input, processing, output and storage are collectively referred to as the:
- System unit cycle
  - System operation cycle
  - Communication link cycle
  - Information processing cycle
19. Which of the following is NOT a database?
- An address book
  - A telephone directory
  - A class list of form 5 students
  - A list of 3 names.
20. Which of the following means the same thing as a row of data in a relation or table in a database is?
- Tuple
  - Attribute
  - Field
  - File
21. What name is given to a column in a relation or table in a database?
- Tuple
  - Attribute
  - Entity
  - File
22. The use of the computers to create, store, revise and produce text is known as:
- Tele processing
  - Voice processing
  - Word processing
  - Data processing
23. A device capable of converting analog signal to digital signal and vice versa:
- Multiplexers
  - Demultiplexers
  - Modem
  - Coaxial cable
24. A company network that allows only controlled access from the outside and for specific purposes is called
- Internet
  - Intranet
  - Extranet
  - Firewall
25. A logic gate whose functionality is the reverse of an OR gate is:
- OR
  - XOR
  - NOR
  - AND
26. How many combinations of input values in a two- input OR gate result in an output of 1?
- 3
  - 1
  - 4
  - 8
27. The binary equivalent of the decimal 133 is
- 10000101
  - 11000101
  - 10011001
  - 11100101
28. In a flow chart, the symbol below represents:
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- Decision
  - A process
  - An output
  - A stop
29. A printer whose printing mechanism involves pressing the characters against an inked ribbon on to a paper is:
- Non-impact printer
  - Impact printer
  - Inkjet printer
  - Laser Printer
30. \_\_\_\_\_ is a transmission mode in which data is transmitted one bit at a time.
- Parallel transmission
  - Serial transmission
  - Duplex transmission
  - Half duplex transmission

Turn Over

31. Which of the following network topologies uses a token?
- Mesh topology
  - Bus topology
  - Star topology
  - Ring topology
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32. A network hardware device that connects two dissimilar networks is a:
- Modem
  - Hub
  - Router
  - Bridge
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33. Computers in offices in the school administrative block are connected so they can share resources. What type of network is most likely used?
- PAN
  - WAN
  - LAN
  - MAN
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34. A hard disk is divided into tracks which are further divided into:
- Clusters
  - Sectors
  - Heads
  - Sub-tracks
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35. The performance of a computer system is affected by all except:
- The clock speed
  - The RAM size
  - The hard disk size
  - Its power rating
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- Question 36 to 38 are based on the following algorithm:
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1. Start
2. Input x
3. If (x mod 2 = 0) then
  3.1 Set y to x
  3.2 Set counter to 1
  3.3 While counter <= 3 do
    Set y to y+2
    Increment counter by 1
  Endwhile
  3.4 print y
Else
  3.5 print x
Endif
4. Stop

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36. In what form has the algorithm been represented?
- Flowchart
  - Pseudo code
  - Source code
  - Machine code
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37. What construct is used in line 3.3?
- Looping
  - Selection
  - Sequence
  - Branch
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38. What value of y is printed when x is 4?
- 4
  - 6
  - 8
  - 10
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39. The input to a compiler is known as:
- Source code
  - Object code
  - Instruction code
  - Program code
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40. A communication medium in which messages are transmitted as light pulses.
- Coaxial cable
  - Twisted pair
  - Optic fibre
  - System bus
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41. \_\_\_\_\_ enables a wireless network to be connected to a wired network.
- Hub
  - Switch
  - Access point
  - Network interface card
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42. A barcode reader is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ input technology:
- OCR
  - OMR
  - MICR
  - Biometric
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43. Uploading and downloading data to or from a remote computer is done using?
- File transfer protocol
  - Inter relay chat
  - Download manager
  - Data transmission
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44. A technique of developing a miniature of a system with all functional components is called:
- Systems Development life cycle
  - Stepwise refinement
  - Modeling
  - Prototyping

45. In a PERT chart, tasks are represented using:  
A Nodes  
B Numbers  
C Letters  
D Arrows
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46. A task that must be completed before another task can begin is called a:  
A Dummy task  
B Milestone task  
C Predecessor task  
D Critical task
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47. Which of these software is suitable for storing, retrieving and manipulating very large quantities of data?  
A Spreadsheet  
B Database Management System  
C Decision Support System  
D General Purpose software
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48. On typing a document, instead of typing 456 the typist types 457. What kind of error is this?  
A Transposition error  
B Range check error  
C Data type error  
D Transcription error
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49. Digital signals are stepwise and discrete while analog signals are:  
A Square and continuous  
B Stepwise and synchronous  
C Smooth and continuous  
D Discrete and continuous
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50. In computer programming, what is a semantic error?  
A An error that occurs in the execution of a program  
B A compilation mistake  
C A mistake due to use of the wrong instruction  
D A mistake due to an instruction not having the right form
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