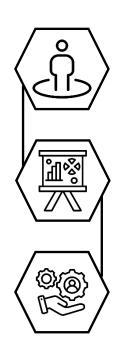


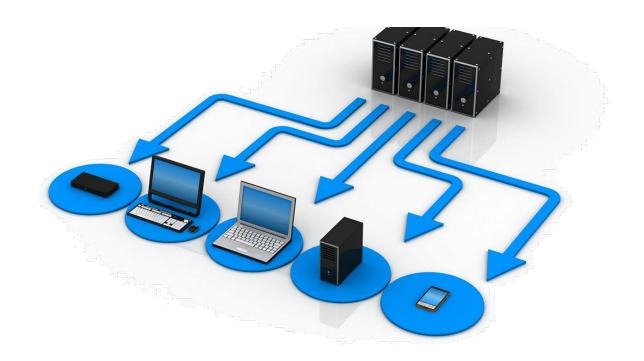


IT Fundamentals – Cheat Sheets



What is IT Infrastructure?

✓ The combination of hardware, software, network connectivity and human resources that allow an organisation to deliver information technology services to people within organisations.



Components that make up IT Infrastructure

- Hardware
- Software
- Network connectivity
- Human Resources





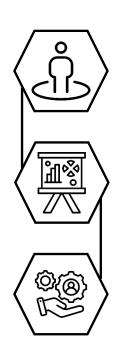


Hardware

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Physical components that make up a computer system.

CPU, memory, motherboard, network card, etc









Software

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The programs used to direct the operation of a computer, as well as documentation giving instructions on how to use them:

- ✓ System Software Microsoft Windows XP, Linux, Mac OS, etc.
- ✓ Application Software Microsoft Office, Anti Virus, etc
- ✔ Programming Software Mozilla FireFox, Microsoft Visual Studio, etc.







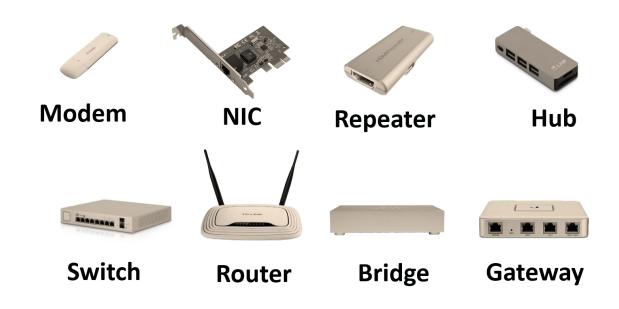


Network Connectivity

Generic term for connecting devices to each other to transfer data back and forth.

✓ Networking hubs, switches, routers, bridges, etc.





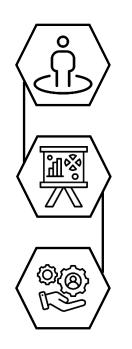


Human Resources

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Refers to people in charge of all the other parts of IT infrastructure. They look at an organisation's needs and determine what hardware, and software will do the job. They can either buy an existing solution or develop a solution from scratch.

✔ Developers, system administrators, network administrators, etc.



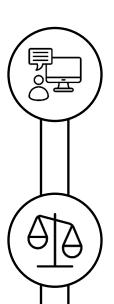








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Every one of these components in an IT infrastructure depends on another. An organisation needs hardware, software, and networking to function, and the other components are useless without a human to buy them, configure them and keep them running smoothly.

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