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Structured Question Paper

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(TWO HOURS)

To be completed by the candidate

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Important Instructions:

- The duration of the paper is **2 (two) hours**.
- The medium of instruction and questions is English.
- This paper has **4 questions** and **19 pages**.
- **Answer all questions.** All questions **carry equal** marks.
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	Question numbers			
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Q1. Identify whether the following statements a) to o) are correct or incorrect. Justify your answer if it is incorrect.

a) GIFs are not particularly good for photographic images.

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(01 Mark)

b) GIF is well suited for any image with areas of flat color such as *logos, line art, icons, cartoon-like illustrations*

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c) “Times New Roman” is an example of a *serif* typeface.

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d) S-Video cable separates the luminance signal onto one wire and the combined color signals onto another wire.

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- e) You can directly transfer digital information back and forth between a DV camcorder and your computer in real time. The ports and cables that enable this direct transfer use the IEEE 1394 standard.

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- f) An image that is in 24 bits RGB color model with 2048 pixels in width and 1536 pixels in height has a total of 3.1 megapixels.

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- g) Serial Digital Interface (SDI) separates the luminance signal onto one wire and the combined color signals onto another wire.

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- h) MP4 is a video only compression format which is used in MPEG-4.

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- i) Progressive JPEGs provide some indication of the full image for the reader to look at, without having to wait for the entire image to download.

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- j) HDMI (High-Definition Multimedia Interface) is a compact audio/video interface for transferring compressed video data and uncompressed digital audio data from a HDMI-compliant source device.

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- k) **VHS-C** is the VHS videocassette format used primarily for consumer-grade compact analog recording camcorders.

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- l) MPEG-1 or MPEG-2 Audio Layer III, more commonly referred to as MP3, is an encoding format for digital audio which uses a form of lossy data compression.

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- m) Component Video Interface separates the red, green and blue signals onto two wires and the chrominance signals onto another wire.

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- n) Composite **video** is an analog video transmission (without audio) that carries standard definition video typically at 480i or 576i resolution. Video information is encoded on three channels,

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- o) JPEG is a compression standard use only for the color images. It uses a combination of discrete cosine transform, quantization, run length encoding and Huffman encoding techniques.

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Q2.

- [i] Symbols are used in Adobe Flash as an easy way to clone objects. There are **three (03)** different types of symbols. Name them and explain briefly the usage of each symbol separately.

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- [ii] List **three (03)** distinct models of color used in multimedia and explain the use of each color model in different multimedia industries.

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[iii] Write down **three (03) major advantages** of the Unicode Standard over the ASCII Standard?

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[iv] Explain the concept behind the *Linear Editing* and *Non-Linear Editing* systems in the Video production industry.

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Q3. Answer all of the following.

[i] What is meant by the terms *Multimedia* and *Hypermedia*? Distinguish between these two concepts.

(04 Marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

[illegible]

- [ii] Differentiate between the BMP, JPG and PNG image file formats mentioning where each is used.

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[iv] The main types of multimedia data are: text, images, audio, and video. What technical issues are associated when these data types are integrated in a Multimedia System?

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[v] MP3 is an audio only compression format which stands for MPEG-1 Layer 3. Explain briefly.

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[iii] What is meant by *keyframing* and *tweening* in Adobe Flash?

(06 Marks)

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[iv] Explain the difference among the **three (03)** major TV broadcasting standards and discuss why these three standards exist?

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