



Republic of Rwanda
City of Kigali



GASABO DISTRICT

DISTRICT COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT, RTQF LEVEL... 2023-2024

SECTOR: ICT & MULTIMEDIA

TRADE: SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

MODULE CODE: GENBN401

MODULE NAME: BASICS OF NETWORKING

DATE OF EXAM: 18/3/2024

DURATION: 3HOURS

SCHOOL YEAR: 2023-2024

TERM: 2

Instructions:

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| 1. Attempt all questions in section A | (55 Marks) |
| 2. Attempt three questions in section B | (30 Marks) |
| 3. Attempt one question in section C | (15 Marks) |

SECTION A

1. What is a network and what are its components? **/5Marks**
2. Describe the Internet and its significance. **/5Marks**
3. What is a LAN and how does it differ from a WAN? **/5Marks**
4. Explain the role of a router in a network. **/3Marks**
5. What is the function of a firewall in network security? **/3Marks**
6. Define bandwidth in networking. **/3Marks**
7. Differentiate between Client-Server Network and Peer-to-Peer Network.
/5Marks
8. Differentiate between logical and physical network topologies. **/5Marks**
9. Explain the concept and features of Star Topology. **/5Marks**
10. Describe Ring Topology and its characteristics. **/5Marks**
11. What is Hybrid Topology, and what are its characteristics?
/4Marks
12. Define Protocols in networking. **/3Marks**
13. What is the purpose of subnetting IP addresses, and what are the benefits of subnetting? **/4Marks**

SECTION B

1. Describe different network technologies.
2. Give the full of the following acronyms: **/10Marks**
 - a) DHCP:
 - b) ISP:
 - c) NAT:
 - d) PAT:
 - e) VLSM:
 - f) FLSM:
 - g) MAU:
3. Complete the following table about IPv4 class ranges: **/10Marks**

Class	Start	End
A		
B		
C		
D		
E		

4. Fiber optics exist in two types. Discuss them. **/10Marks**
5. While making Ethernet cross-over cable, there is international color coding to follow. Give the color coding for both end of a cross-over cable. **/10Marks**

SECTION C: MANDATORY

1. Given the network address of **192.168.132.0** and the subnet mask of **255.255.255.0** with CIDR notation **/28**. Subnet by answering the five questions related to subnetting. **/15Marks**