Question		Answer	Marks
9(a)	1 mark for each o	completed name or description	4
	Device	Description	
	Router	Receives and sends data between two networks operating on the same protocol	
	Wireless Network Interface Card (WNIC)	Hardware component that allows a device to connect to a <u>wireless</u> network // Provides a MAC address to the device to identify it on the <u>wireless</u> network	
	Repeater	Restores the digital signal so it can be transmitted over greater distances	
	Wireless Access Point (WAP)	Hardware component that provides radio communication from the central device to nodes on the network (and vice versa)	
9(b)	 electrical sign Fibre optic hat higher transm Fibre optic hat repeaters are Fibre optic is 	ata is transmitted using light, copper cable through hals as higher bandwidth than copper cable // Fibre optic has hission rates than copper cable as smaller risk of (noise) interference than copper cable an be used over longer distances than copper cable before	3
9(c)	channeldata is only is sentBecause ther	on / node (wishing to transmit) listens to the communication / sent when the channel is free // if channel is free data re is more than one computer connected to the same	4
	collision • If a collision h transmission	medium ations can start to transmit at the same time, causing a nappens, the workstations send a (jamming) signal / abort vaits a random amount of time before attempting to resend	

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Question	Answer	Marks
8(a)	Accessing a service/files/software on a remote server	1
8(b)	1 mark each from:	
	 Public e.g. Computing services offered by 3rd party provider over the public Internet Public is open/available to anyone with the appropriate equipment/software/credentials 	
	 Private e.g. Computing services offered either over the Internet or a private internal network Only available to select users not the general public Private is a dedicated/bespoke system only accessible for/from the organisation 	

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Question	Answer	Marks
8(c)	 1 mark for each benefit to max 2 e.g. Can be accessed anywhere with Internet access Do not need to install security // security might be better Do not need to perform backups Do not need to buy specific software/hardware Can easily share documents Can have multiple people working on the same document 1 mark for drawback e.g. You cannot access it if no internet access Reliant on someone else to backup 	3
	 Reliant on someone else for security // can have poorer security Cannot access if server goes down 	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	2
	 All computers are of equal status Each computer provides access to resources and data // data is distributed Computers can communicate and share resources Each computer is responsible for its own security 	
4(b)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2 per drawback	4
	 Reduced security // no central management of security only as secure as the weakest computer on the network each computer is at risk from viruses from other computers 	
	 No central management of backup if the data from one computer is not backed up it is lost to all of them 	
	 No central management of files/software consistency may be difficult to maintain each computer may have different software from the others 	
	 Individual computers may respond slower because they are being accessed by other computers 	
	 In order to share files etc. all the computers involved need to be switched on so the files etc. may not be always available 	

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Question	Answer			Marks
4(c)(i)	1 mark for first 2 ticks, 1 mark for last 2 (sha	ded)		2
	Task	Performed by router	Not performed by router	
	Receives packets from devices	✓		
	Finds the IP address of a Uniform Resource Locator (URL)		✓	
	Directs each packet to all devices attached to it		✓	
	Stores the IP and/or MAC address of all devices attached to it	✓		
4(c)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point for justification up to real No mark for identification of wired/wireless Wired Faster connection // higher bandwidth needed as she is downloading/strear less time waiting / less latency / fewer More reliable / stable connection is less susceptible to issues with distate More secure Wireless Freedom of movement can move between different rooms wireceive/transmit data no need of a physical connection Easily expanded if friends want to acces Less cabling / expertise is needed making the initial setup less expensive	ning large files delays nce/walls/inter th a mobile dev	vice and still	3
4(d)	 1 mark for identifying that she is using both. 1 mark per bullet point for justification using internet because sending data on using WWW because accessing a webs server operated by the webmail) that is perfectly the server operated by the server o	ite (that is store	ed on a web	3

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5(c)(i)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 2 Cloud storage can be free (for small quantities) No need for separate (high capacity) storage devices // saves storage on existing devices Can access data from any computer with internet access Most cloud data services will have in-built backup/disaster recovery Security could be better Can easily increase capacity Data can be easily shared 	2

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Question	Answer	Marks		
5(c)(ii)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 2: Can only access (the cloud) with internet access Security may not be strong // no control over security There may not be any backups // no control over backups It can take a long time to upload/download the data It can be more expensive in the long term There could be a limit to the amount of storage unless paid for There could be compatibility/access issues There could be issues with the company offering cloud services 			
5(d)	1 mark for each correct line	4		
	Term Description			
	It is only visible to devices within the Local Area Network (LAN)			
	Public IP Address It increments by 1 each time the device connects to the internet			
	Private IP address A new one is reallocated each time a device connects to the internet			
	Dynamic IP address It can only be allocated to a router			
	Static IP address It is visible to any device on the internet			
	It does not change each time a device is connected to the internet			

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Question	Answer	Marks
8(a)	 1 mark per bullet point LAN Small geographical area No leasing external infrastructure / transmission media // does not use 	3
8(b)	 internet to transmit within the building 1 mark per item router switch hub 	2
8(c)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 4 Provide interface to wireless network as an antenna Receives analogue radio waves convert them to digital / binary Checks incoming transmissions for correct MAC / IP address ignore transmissions not intended for it Encrypts / encodes the data Decrypts / decodes the data Takes digital/binary input and converts to analogue waves sends the radio waves via the antenna 	4

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	1 mark for each bullet point to max 3	3
	 The microphone has a diaphragm / ribbon The incoming sound waves cause vibrations of the diaphragm causing a coil to move past a magnet // causing a magnet to move past a coil (dynamic microphone) // changing the capacitance (condenser microphone) // deforms the crystal (crystal microphone) An electrical signal is produced 	
3(b)(i)	1 mark for identification of star topology	2
	1 mark for justification Devices are connected directly to the <u>router</u> independently // all devices are only connected to the <u>router</u>	
3(b)(ii)	1 mark for each correct function to max 3	3
	 To receive packets from devices or the Internet To forward / route packets to the destination To find the destination of the packet To assign / allocate private IP addresses to devices on LAN To store / update / maintain a routing table To find the most efficient path to the destination To maintain a table of MAC and IP addresses 	

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Question	Answer	Marks
9(a)	1 mark per difference	2
	 Private IP is only known within the LAN // Public IP is known outside of the LAN/ on Internet Public is allocated by ISP // Private is allocated by the router Public addresses are unique throughout the Internet, private addresses are unique only within the LAN Private IP addresses are more secure than public IP addresses 	

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Question	Answer		Marks
9(b)	1 mark for each correct term		4
	Description	Term	
	Receives data packets from a network and forwards them onto a similar network	Router	
	Manages access to a centralised resource	Server	
	Joins networks that use different sets of rules to transmit data	Gateway	
	Monitors and controls incoming and outgoing network traffic based on set criteria	Firewall	

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8(c) 1 mark for each similarity, max 2 • Both devices regulate network traffic between two networks // connect two networks • Both receive packets from a network and both forward packets onto a network 1 mark for a difference • A Router connects two networks using the same protocol, a Gateway can connect two networks using different protocols			
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		connect two networks using different protocols	

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Question	Answer	Marks
7(a)	1 mark for device, 1 mark for matching purpose. Max 2 devices.	4
	 Router To connect (devices) / the servers to the Internet // to transmit data between the servers and the Internet // to forward data towards its destination 	
	 Gateway To connect a server that uses a different protocol to the Internet // to join two different types of network 	
	 Modem To connect (the servers) to the Internet over a telephone line 	
	 Network interface card // NIC To enable the servers to connect to the (company) network 	
7(b)	1 mark per bullet point, max 1 for benefit, max 1 for drawback	2
	Benefit:	
	Drawback: • High initial cost as new hardware will be needed • Expertise required to complete connections	

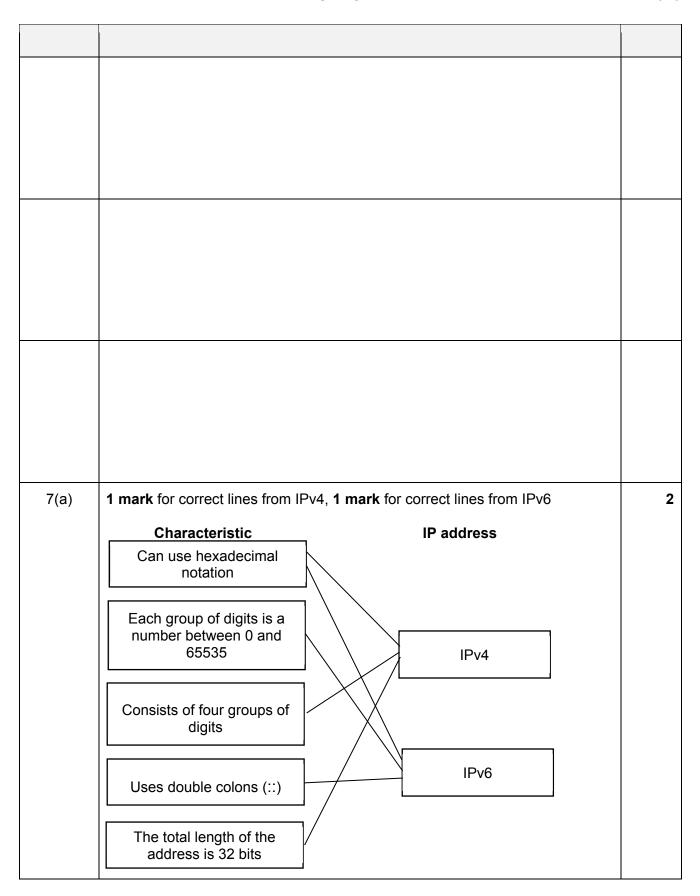
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Question		Answer	Marks
1(a)	1 mark for each correctl	y completed media or description	4
	Type of connection	Description	
	Fibre-optic	Transmits data as light // Uses (a bundle of) glass/plastic threads to transmit data	
	Satellite	A communication device in Earth's orbit that receives and transmits data	
	Radio Waves	Carries data wirelessly, often known as Wi-Fi // Carries data in the form of electromagnetic waves	
	Copper cable	Carries data as electrical signals and can consist of a twisted pair	
1(b)	1 mark per bullet point t	o max 2	2
	The server hosts theAn employee can recomputers	inputers are the clients be (shared) files bequest a file (from the server) from any of the client can access the same file (on the server) at the same time	
1(c)	1 mark per bullet point		2
	An internet presenceOnly the router need externally visible	ecause the IP address is not visible outside the network e is not required for each employee computer ds a public IP address, as only the router needs to be (public) IP addresses needed	

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Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)(i)	1 mark for real-time	3
	1 mark per bullet point for justification to max 2	
	 It is being watched live It is not being downloaded to watch later // not already stored online 	
5(a)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point to max 3	3
	 Insufficient bandwidth // slow internet connection experiencing problems with buffering Video is too high quality to stream in real-time Congestion on the home network Too much demand for the video from the supplier Too many applications running on Oscar's computer Oscar is trying to watch the video in High Definition, his friend is watching the video at a lower resolution 	

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Question	Answer	Marks
7(b)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 3 Static IP does not change whereas a dynamic IP address does change the DNS does not need updating which might be delayed causing 'address not found' errors The webserver may be accessed directly using just the IP address // the IP address is still held in cache memory 	3

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	1 mark per bullet point	2
	 To identify the laptop on the home network To allow the router to send data to the laptop from the Internet / another device on the home network 	
4(a)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	2
	 The router has the public IP address for the home network All data comes through the router The laptop is not accessible / visible to the outside world to ensure security // to protect the laptop from external threats 	
4(a)(iii)	1 mark per bullet point to max 3	3
	 IPv4 has 4 groups of digits, IPv6 has 8 groups of digits In IPv4 each group is from 0-255, in IPv6 each group is from 0-65535 IPv4 uses a full-stop between each group, IPv6 uses a colon between each group IPv4 is 32-bit, IPv6 is 128-bit // IPv4 uses 4 bytes, IPv6 uses 16 bytes 	
4(b)	1 mark for identification, 1 mark for further description	4
	 Dedicated lines / leased line services Connection that is only used for that business/organisation // permanent connection 	
	Cell phone networkSend data to cell towers over mobile connection	
	SatelliteSend data to satellites in orbit	

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	 1 mark for each correct indication and explanation 3A.21.2H.1 Invalid H is not a valid hexadecimal digit 299.53.2.2 Invalid 299 is not in the correct range 192.2.1.0 Valid Consists of four numbers in the range 0–255 separated by full stops 	3
1(b)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 3 URL is parsed to obtain the Domain name Domain name is sent to the nearest Domain Name Server (DNS) DNS holds a list of Domain names and matching IP addresses DNS name resolver searches its database for the Domain name If DNS does not find the Domain name, the request is forwarded to a higher level DNS If the Domain name is found, the IP address is returned If the Domain name is not found, the request is passed to a higher level server If the Domain name is finally not found, an error message is generated 	3
1(c)	1 mark for each correct term Real-time On-demand	2

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	1 mark for any valid example	1
	e.g. 192.168.0.1	
1(a)(ii)	1 mark for correct answer	1
	The number of IP addresses needed will exceed the number available using IPv4.	
1(a)(iii)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	2
	 Too many digits per group Too many groups of digits The address is more than 32 bits / 4 bytes Colons are used as separators 	
1(b)(i)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	2
	 The PSTN consists of many different types of communication lines Data is transmitted in both directions at the same time // (full) duplex data transmission The communication passes through different switching centres 	
1(b)(ii)	1 mark for benefit, 1 mark for drawback	2
	Benefit (Probably) faster connection / communication / transmission of data (Usually) more consistent transmission speed Improved security Drawback	
	 Expensive to <u>set-up / maintain</u> Disruption to the dedicated line would leave no alternative 	

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(c)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 4, max 3 for router, max 3 for gateway Only award the repeated bullet points (1 to 5 in each section) once Router: Connects two (or more) networks Can connect a network to a WAN // acts as the single access point for Receives packets and forwards towards the destination using the IP address of the destination Assigns private IP addresses Operates between similar networks // networks using the same protocol Can be used to segment a network Gateway: Connect two (or more) networks Can connect a network to a WAN // acts as the single access point for Receives packets and send packets towards the destination using the IP address of the destination Assigns private IP addresses Connects two dissimilar networks // networks that use different protocols 	4
1(d)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 3 for any valid answer For example: File server Print server Proxy server Web server Application server 	3

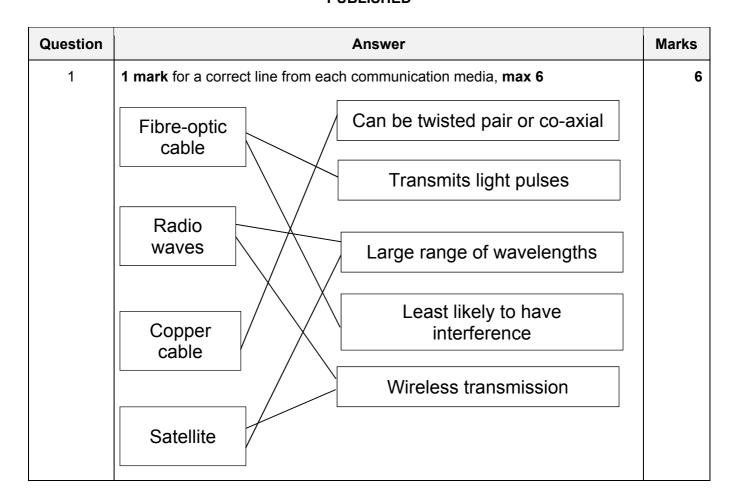
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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 3. If no application to the bank max 2 The bank's server holds the customer account data / website and performs the requested tasks / processes. The computers used by the customers are the clients that send requests to the server which returns the results of the request E.g. a customer asks for a list of recent transactions on their account. 	3
4(a)(ii)	 1 mark per example to max 2 e.g. Sending and receiving email A company or school centrally storing files Using a print server Using a file server 	2
4(b)	 1 mark per bullet point to max 3 All data is held on the server // All processing is performed on the server The server only sends the results of the query to the client The client does not have access to all the data which keeps the data more secure / consistent Customers can be identified when they log in from a database of usernames and passwords 	3

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(c)(i)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	2
	 Less interference in the signal The signal does not degrade as quickly // Needs less signal boosting More secure // more difficult to hack Greater bandwidth // <u>Faster</u> transmission speeds possible 	
4(c)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	2
	 Initial installation cost is higher // Cable / hardware is more expensive to buy per metre Specialists / trained personnel are needed to install / maintain Difficult to terminate // The electronics at both ends are more complex Fibres can break when bent Only transmits data in one direction // Cannot transmit power, only data 	



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Question		An	swer		Marks
5(a)	1 mark per server e.g. • E-mail • Print • Web				2
5(b)	1 mark for the indication	ng the statement	is false:		5
		True	False		
			✓		
	World Wide VThe World WiWebpages ar	infrastructure / g Veb is the (multin de Web is acces e written in HTM ol used to transfe	global collection of nedia web) pages sed over the Inter L	/ content	
5(c)	The web serv	requests the web er accesses the	page		4
	The web serv web pageThe web serv	er produces the	eb page to the clie	page / generates the	

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Question	Answer						
2(a)	Use the IP address instead of the URL			1			
2(b)(i)	1 mark per correct answer			4			
	IP Address	Valid or	invalid				
	21E5:69AA:FFFF:1:E100:B691:1285:F56E	Va	alid				
	::255.255.255	Vá	alid				
	59FB::1005:CC57:6571	Va	alid				
	56FE::2159:5BBC::6594	Inv	alid				
2(b)(ii)	1 mark per correct row						
	Statement	Public	Private				
	192.168.2.1 is an example of this type of address		✓				
	Assigned by the Internet Service Provider (ISP)	✓					
	IP address cannot be duplicated in different networks	√					
	Network Address Translation (NAT) is necessary to access the Internet directly		✓				
2(c)	1 mark per example to max 2			2			
	Fibre-opticWi-Fi / Radio wavesMicrowaveInfrared						

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	1 mark for 1 correct answer, 2 marks for all 3 correct answers	
	Gopal types into the web browser B (Web browser sends URL to Domain name Service (DNS)) DNS looks up URL in a table A (DNS finds corresponding IP address) C (DNS returns IP address to web browser)	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	
	 Gives each device on a network an identifier // IP address used to locate a device on a network Each address is <u>unique</u> within the network Allows a device/gateway/node to send data to the correct destination / a specific device/gateway/node 	
2(c)(i)	1 mark per bullet point to max 3	3
	 Less interference in signal Signal does not degrade as fast // Needs less signal boosting More difficult to hack // more secure Greater bandwidth // <u>Faster</u> transmission speeds possible 	
2(c)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2	2
	 (Initial) installation cost is higher // Cable / hardware is more expensive to buy (per metre) Specialists / trained personnel needed to install / maintain Difficult to terminate // Electronics at both ends are more complex Fibre-optic cables can break when bent Only transmits data in one direction If a fibre-optic cable connection fails, many more services can be affected 	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	1 mark for 1 letter in correct space 2 marks for all 3 letters in correct places	
	1 C 2 URL goes to Domain Name Service (DNS) 3 B 4 A 5 DNS returns IP address to client	
4(b)(i)	1 mark per bullet point	2
	 258 is too large/largest individual numbers is 255 4 numbers needed/1 number missing/only 3 groups of numbers given 	

Question	Answer			Marks
4(b)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point			2
	L not a valid hexadecimal numberOnly one double colon is allowed			
4(c)	1 mark per row			
	Description	Public	Private	
	The address can be reached over the Internet. ✓			
	The address is more secure.		✓	
	The address can only be accessed through the same LAN.		✓	
	The address can be duplicated in different networks.		✓	

Question	Answer		Marks	
6(a)	 Two from: The <u>file</u> is made available from a web/email/FTP server The user's <u>browser</u> is the client software The client (software browser) <u>requests</u> the <u>file</u> from the server The desired <u>file</u> is returned to the client computer 	1 1 1 1	1 1	
6(b)	The user keys in the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) into the browser Software.		4	
	 E // The Domain Name Service (DNS) uses the domain name from the browser to look up the IP address of the web server. 	1		
	3. D // The web server retrieves the page	1		
	4. F // Sends the web page content to the browser	1		
	5. B // Browser software renders the page and displays	1		

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7 (a) Internet Protocol

[1]

(b) [4]

Address	Denary / Hexadecimal	Valid or Invalid	Reason
3.2A.6AA.BBBB	Hexadecimal	Invalid	 One point from: This is more than 32 bits 6AA /BBBB in Hex is bigger than FF / 255 in denary 6AA / BBBB uses more than 8 bits / a byte The third / fourth group is bigger than FF / 255 in denary The third / fourth group uses more than 8 bits / a byte
2.0.255.1	Denary	Valid	There are 4 bytes, each 255 or below // All the values are in the range 0 - 255
6.0.257.6	Denary	Invalid	257 is above 255 // The third group is above 255
0A.78.F4.J8	Hexadecimal	Invalid	J is not a valid hexadecimal digit // J8 is not a valid Hex number

One mark for each combination of valid or invalid and the reason.

(c) Two points from: [2]

- Public address can be reached across the Internet.
- Private address can only be reached internally/through the LAN/Intranet // private address cannot be reached across the Internet.
- NAT (Network Address Translation) is necessary for a private IP address to access the Internet directly.
- A private address is more secure than a public address // A public address is less secure than a private address.
- Public addresses are provided by ISP / assigned by InterNIC // Private addresses are assigned by the router (of the network concerned).
- Public addresses are unique (to the Internet) // Private addresses (are unique within their network, but) can be duplicated within other (discrete) networks.
- 10.0.0.1 to 10.255.255.254 and 172.16.0.1 to 172.31.255.254 and 192.168.0.1.to 192.168.255.254 form the private address space // IP addresses from the private address space are never assigned as public.

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6 (a) Two from: [2]

- WWW is a collection of interlinked, hypertext documents/webpages/multimedia resources (accessed via the Internet) //WWW is content from web servers organised as web pages
- Internet is the global connection of interconnected computer networks
- The Internet uses TCP/IP protocol / WWW uses http protocols to transmit data

(b) [5]

Description	Fibre-Optic cables	Copper cables	Radio waves
'Wireless' media			√
Twisted-pair is an example		✓	
Uses light waves	✓		
WiFi			√
Fastest transmission media	✓		

(c) One pair from: [2]

- Real-time a live stream of an event that is currently taking place
- On-demand streaming of an event/programme that has taken place in the past
- Real time the event is captured live with a video camera connected to a computer
- On-demand Existing media are encoded to bit streaming format and uploaded to a server
- Real-time cannot be paused / rewound etc
- On-demand can be paused / re-wound / fast forwarded etc

(d) Two marks for description, one mark for correct example.

[3]

- Four numbers separated with '.'
- Each number is between 0 and 255 / 00 and FF in Hex / stored in one byte.
- 32 bits long
- Correct example

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(e) Four from: [4]

- URL is a reference address to a resource on the Internet.
- The URL is passed to the nearest Domain Name Server (by browser software).
- DNS server stores a database / list of URLs and matching IP addresses.
- DNS (Name Resolver) looks for the URL in its database.
- Finds the matching IP address and returns it to the originator.
- Or if it cannot find it, it forwards to another Domain Name Server at a higher level.
- (Original) DNS server adds the returned IP address to its cache.
- (Original) DNS server returns the IP address to the browser.

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5 (a)

Description	Conventional telephone using PSTN	Internet-based system
connection only in use whilst sound is being transmitted		✓
dedicated channel used between two points for the duration of the call	✓	
connection maintained throughout the telephone call	√	
encoding schemes and compression technology used		✓
lines remain active even during a power outage	✓	

(b) maximum of **two marks** for Internet references and **maximum** of **two marks** for world wide web references

[5]

[3]

Internet

- massive network of networks/interconnected network of computer devices
- Internet stands for Interconnected Networks
- uses TCP/IP protocol

World Wide Web (www)

- is a collection of (multimedia) web pages/documents
- ...stored on websites
- http/protocols used to transmit data
- web pages are written in HTML
- URLs specify the location of the web pages
- web documents are accessed using browsers
- (c) (i) router [1]
 (ii) gateway [1]
 (iii) server [1]

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- 6 any **four** points from (maximum 3 marks per type of cable):
 - fibre optic cables have greater bandwidth
 - fibre optic cables need less signal boosting // can transmit over longer distances
 - fibre optic cables have greater security (more difficult to "tap" into)
 - fibre optic cables are immune to electromagnetic and other effects
 - fibre optic cabling is lighter in weight (easier to install)
 - fibre optic cables consume less power
 - copper cabling is less expensive to install
 - copper cable is easier to install <u>because</u> it is more flexible
 - it is easier to make terminations using copper cabling
 - the expertise in use of copper cabling is more extensive
 - has been around for years ... so very little is "unknown" about installations using this type of cabling
 [4]

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7 (a) (i) – at least one computer used to "serve" ...

- ... other computers are referred to as "clients"

server provides services / applications etc. ...

... which may be requested by clients

[2]

(ii) any two from:

- files and resources are centralised
- creation of security / manage security
- user needs user name and password to access network
- centralised back-up
- intranet capability
- Internet monitoring
- clients can be less powerful machines, therefore less expensive to buy

- saving resources on server reduces the burden on the client

[2]

(b) router [1]

(c)

Statement	Sequence number
The requested web page is displayed on the client computer	5
The user clicks on the hyperlink and the web page is requested from the web server	1
The requested web page content is transmitted to the client computer	3
The client computer processes the JavaScript code using the web browser software	4
The web server locates the requested web page	2

[5]

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1 (a) any two from:

- sequence of digital signals / bits
- over a communication path / Internet
- transfer of data at high speed
- requires fast broadband connection
- requires some form of buffering
- bits arrive in the same order as sent

[2]

(b) (i) any two from:

- no need to wait for a whole file to be downloaded
- no need to store large files on user's computer
- allows on demand playback
- no specialist software is required for playback in browser

[2]

(ii) any two from:

- video stops / hangs if very slow Internet / broadband speed low
- video stops / hangs if inadequate buffering capacity
- loss of Internet means can't access films / files
- may require specific software to run the files / films
- viruses can be downloaded from the websites

[2]

(c) 2 marks for on-demand and 2 marks for real-time

on-demand

- digital video tape, analogue video tape, or digital files are converted to bit streaming –
 format for broadcasting on the net; this is known as encoding these encoded streaming
 video files are then uploaded to a dedicated server
- a link for the encoded video is placed on a web site
- a user clicks on the link to download the encoded streaming video; the streamed video is
- then broadcast to the user as and when they require it
- can be paused / can go back and re-watch / fast-forward, etc.

real-time

- an event is captured live with a video camera
- the video camera is connected to a computer
- the video signal is converted to streaming media files (encoded) on the computer
- the encoded feed is then uploaded from the computer to a dedicated streaming server via cable, DSL, or a high-speed internet connection
- the server then sends the live images it to all users requesting it as real-time video streaming
- cannot be paused etc.

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