# O478 COMPUTER SCIENCE TIPS AND PAPERS

### PAPER 1 THEORY

- 1 HOUR 45 MIN
- 60% OF YOUR GRADE / 75 MARKS
- SHORT-ANSWER AND STRUCTURED QUESTIONS
- NOTE THAT: CALCULATORS AREN'T PERMITTED

## PAPER 2 PROBLEM-SOLVING AND PROGRAMMING

- 1 HOUR 45 MIN
- 40% OF YOUR GRADE / 50 MARKS
- SHORT-ANSWER AND STRUCTURED QUESTIONS
- NOTE THAT: CALCULATORS AREN'T PERMITTED
- 20 MARKS ARE FROM QUESTIONS SET ON THE PRE-RELEASE MATERIAL

## MUST DOS WHEN PREPARING FOR PAPER 1

#### THEORY

Firstly, you should pay attention to your classes, because you would not want to study again by yourself.

After that, you should do past papers' exercise after each chapter to understand the type of questions they would have.

Lastly, look at the mark schemes to get a grip of the answers' structures(point breakdown, key answers etc).

## MUST DOS WHEN PREPARING FOR PAPER 2

#### PROBLEM-SOLVING AND PROGRAMMING

First of all, to help you understand more what algorithm is, you should start coding by yourself. Python is recommended.

Keep writing in
Pseudocode until you
are familiar enough
with it, since the exam
suggest you to write in
Pseudocode.

Breakdown your prerelease material and work on it until you fully figure out what they are asking for.

#### FURTHER TIPS

#### Take your notes from znotes.org

Reading only your coursebook isnot enough, because the exam asks fro key points.

## Start solving problems from rgb7 website.

Search up computer science's revision videos on youtube